ANCHORAGE NEWSLETTER November 2023

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1025 Anchorage Lane, Palm Harbor, FL 34685

Gary's Notes From The Neighborhood

The Annual Meeting is in the history books. The Board of Directors will meet in the next two weeks to determine individual responsibilities, and the results will be announced in the December newsletter.

The new budget passed by a vote of 110 to 33. Although nobody likes price increases, the budget will enable us to continue to pay our bills and save money towards the "Big Ticket" items that will need replacement in the near future, like a new Clubhouse roof, refinishing the inside of the pool, and the word we love to hate, INSURANCE!

One of the reasons that our annual "dues" are affordable is that many tasks are performed by volunteers, but if nobody volunteers, a courtappointed receiver will take over managing the HOA, and the HOA is responsible for paying the salary of the receiver. Some HOA's have seen their annual dues double. Please VOLUNTEER.

About 80% of Anchorage homeowners approved the updates to the Anchorage "rules". Next, our attorney will review the changes to ensure they comply with Florida statute. After the review process is completed, all homeowners will receive a copy, probably in January.

Neighborhood Watch coordinator Barb Kanehl has stepped down. The person selected for this position is selected by the Pinellas County Sheriff's office. If you're interested, contact Deputy Skipper. You may contact him by phone (727-582-6292) or by email at <u>cskipper@pcsonet.com</u>

Gary's Notes From The Neighborhood Continued

We're updating the 2024 edition of the Anchorage Directory. Please make sure that the information is correct. If your listing is correct, but you don't want it listed for privacy reasons, just email the Secretary at <u>secr@anchorage-hoa.com</u>, snail mail us at "Anchorage Treasurer, 1025 Anchorage Lane, Palm Harbor, FL 34685" or drop a note in the Clubhouse drop box.

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, there will be NO scheduled Board of Director's meeting in November.

Dinner and a Movie November 30th

Rick and Lori will host their annual potluck movie night on November 30th. This year they will provide the turkey and the yams, you bring the rest. Dinner is at 6:00. Movie is at 6:30.

A poll will be put on Facebook to pick the perfect movie. There will be a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse once the movie is chosen. SEE YOU THERE!

FAIR HOUSING SURVEY

I want to thank all the residents who took the time to fill out and return to me the Fair Housing Survey for HUD (Housing & Urban Development).

We had over 190 responses from all of you which takes care of another few years before we have to do it again. We have fulfilled our obligation to HUD.

Again, thank all of you for your prompt responses.

Lisa Minich

FROM THE TREASURER

With the approval of the 2024 Operating Budget at the Annual Meeting on October 16,2024, by a vote of 110 to 33, comes an increase in the annual assessment, (the dues), from \$400 per year to \$500 per year, with an effective date of January 1, 2024.

Dues may be paid annually, semi-annually, or quarterly. This results in the quarterly dues amount increasing from \$100 per quarter to \$125 per quarter.

Dues can be mailed to 1025 Anchorage Ln., Palm Harbor, FL 34685, or placed in the lockbox inside the clubhouse. You may also use your bank's bill pay service. Checks should be payable to Anchorage HOA.

Dues are due on the 1st day of January, April, July, and October. A late fee of \$25 will be charged if dues are not paid by the 10th day of the quarter in which they are due.

A previous Board had voted to change the late fee date from the 10th day of the quarter to the 18th day of the quarter, but that change was never voted upon by the residents as required by the by-laws.

Therefore, we are required to follow the rules as currently written, and enforcement of late fees after the 10th of the quarter shall be in place effective January 2024.

Joe Myers

TRIMMING THE TREE! FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17TH AT 4:00

Bring your eggnog and wear your favorite ugly Christmas sweater. If you want to bring snacks for yourself or to share, please do. We will be decorating the Clubhouse for Christmas. We should be there 2 to 3 hours depending how many people show up. A pair of tickets to the holiday party will be awarded to the winner of the ugliest sweater contest!

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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SAVE THE DATE FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15TH

Annual Christmas Wine Down/Happy Hour/ Toy Drive for Metropolitan Ministries – to be held at Barbara & Warren Smith's home. Details to follow in the December Newsletter.

ANCHORAGE HOLIDAY PARTY SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9TH

The annual HOA Holiday Party is December 9th. Tickets are \$15.00 and will go on sale on November 17th at the Tree Trimming.

This party is limited to 100 guests and sold out in less than a week last year. If you want to go, do not wait.

Tickets will also be sold at the clubhouse on Tuesday the 21st between 9:00 and 11:00 am.

BINGO WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15TH AT 6:30

Two dollars gets you in and you can play all night for as little as \$5.00 more. Jackpots have been as high as \$82.00. Come join the fun!

PLEASE WELCOME TO ANCHORAGE

Kevin and Denise Casey who purchased 2161 Crowsnest Drive and Christopher & Lada Adams who purchased 1137 Lanyard Street