

Anchorage Homeowners' Association **Official Newsletter**

HOA BOARD ANOUNCEMENTS

Our next Board Meeting is Thursday May 8th, 7:00 pm at the clubhouse.

If anyone is into Ham radio, Art has two identifying vests available for emergency use. Let Art know if you are interested.



We have a new webmaster. Tony Evans has taken the role over from Rick Lyons. Gratitude goes out to both Tony and Rick.

FUTURE EVENTS:

September 13th — Volunteer Breakfast

November 15th – Thankful for our Heritage Potluck

December 13th – Holiday Dinner Party

A word from our President

It's never too early to start thinking ahead! As we gear up for our October election, it's time to consider who will help lead us into the new year. Three of our dedicated board members — Steve Gillespie, Mary Sofchek, and Laura Ragain — are wrapping up their terms this December.

Board members serve for two years, and while you do not run for a specific role, the newly elected board will meet after the election to determine who will fill each position. If you've ever thought about getting more involved in our wonderful community, this is a great opportunity to make a difference! Anchorage is special, we're one of the few member-run associations out there. While may communities hire management companies, we've chosen to stay self-managed, thanks to the amazing residents who step up to serve. For perspective, our current dues are \$125/quarter, but with a management company, that could shoot up to \$400/quarter. We've proudly self-managed since 1972-and that's only possible with your help. So, if you've got ideas, passion and a little time to give, we'd love to see you step up and serve. Think it over!

On another note, shoutout to Patty Boyle our awesome Vice President and clubhouse manager, for successfully upgrading the clubhouse internet, now faster and more powerful!

Art Worth - President

Feeling Lucky? Join us for **BINGO on May 14th**. Doors open **at 6:00 games start at 6:30**. If you can't make it then, no worries, come when you can and join in the the next game. Bring your beverage of choice, snack, a friend and your lucky charm!



SAVE THE DATE

Family BBQ and Pool Party!

Saturday June 28th 11:30 - 2:00

Fun for the whole family. Bring your children, grandkids, any family and friends. All are welcome! Lots of food, games and fun!

More details to come. Watch our Facebook page and upcoming newsletter.

We also need volunteers to help make our Family BBQ a success. Anyone who is willing to help collect money for tickets, set up and clean up is welcome. Contact Patty Boyle if you can help.

Contact Info

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Also, you can join our unofficial Facebook Group: https://www.facebook.com/groups/anchorage55

Our Anchorage HOA Board and Committee Chairs

2025 Board Members

President- Art Worth (727) 781-2847 Clubhouse – Patty Boyle (727) 224-9321 Treasurer – Laura Ragain (727) 698-3157 (assisted by Leigh Wolfe) Pools & Grounds- Steve Gillespie (610) 937-4899 Secretary – Mary Sofchek (727) 786-4339

Committee Chairpersons

Architectural Review – Gary Ware Neighborhood Watch –Richard Vincent Deed Restrictions – Rocky Trahan Library – Liz Harmon New Resident Review – Lisa Minich Newsletter – Cheryl Corbett Website – Tony Evans



Let's Give an Anchorage welcome to our new homeowners.

Kim Fort 712 Bowsprit Place 813-400-6205 Aileen Gobes 2407 Forecastle Drive 813-391-3630 Kathleen Vieson 2404 Forecastle Drive 813-967-1045

Please be sure to make the appropriate changes in your directory.

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT

Summer's rolling in, the snowbirds are flying North, and perhaps you are dreaming of that perfect getaway. But before you swap your sandals for suitcases, or return North, lets' talk smart moves. Want your home to look alive and kicking while your off on a trip or back to your Northern home? Here are some tricks to make your home look busy-even when you're not around to keep the lights on yourself. Set up automated lighting, that turn lights on and off at random times. If possible, enable automatic notifications so your system can respond to shifts in your daily routine and keep you informed of unexpected events. Motion detector lights for the outside can fend off anyone looking around. Let your neighbors know when you will be gone, make a plan for them to alert you if they feel something isn't quite right. And don't forget the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office offers house checks while you are away from your home for an extended period of time. You can sign up online at www.pinellassheriff.gov/vacation-house-checks or call 727-582-6200.

On a personal note:

On behalf of the Anchorage Community, I'd like to honor all the incredible women who nurture, guide and inspire-mothers, grandmothers, stepmoms, those who love like a mom, and our mothers no longer with us. Your care, strength and wisdom enrich our lives and our community. Wishing you a beautiful Mother's Day filled with joy and appreciation.

On Memorial Day, we pause to remember the heroes who gave their lives in service to our nation. Their courage and sacrifice have shaped the freedoms we cherish today. May we honor their memory with gratitude and reflection.

Have a wonderful month of May. Be safe, have fun and stay cool. I almost forgot, NO Happy Hour for the month of May.

Remember, this is your community newsletter. I have had some great ideas from homeowners I have in que for future issues. If there is anything you may want me to touch on, that may be of interest to our community, please send my way.

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