

WESTWOOD

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Westwood News



Wishing all of our residents a Happy Mother's Day and Memorial Day! Please do not forget to remember all of the service men and women who have paid the ultimate sacrifice to protect and defend our nation and the American Way of Life!

The BOD would also like to thank all of our front line workers for putting their lives in danger to serve our community during this pandemic.

These people include first responders, police, fire and ambulance personnel, our nurses and doctors and medial support staff. They also include those that work at our food stores, hardware stores, delivery services, over the road truckers and fuel and convenience store workers. You are all the true heroes in this pandemic!

Homeowners Association Board News

Hello residents! There is no doubt that these have been some very trying times for not only our community but for the entire nation. Rest assured, your BOD has been actively managing our community and moving forward with our promise and commitment to making our community the best in Tamarac!

As you all know the COVID situation has caused us to modify how we have been conducting business and operating our community. For the past month or two we have not staffed the office but have been maintaining business by having board members taking care of all pending business and financial matters. As of this date any pending items to include bank deposits, approvals et. Have all been taken care of.

You board has been meeting, while maintaining appropriate safety precautions, to ensure that business has continued. All board meeting agendas have been posted as required in the event any community member wanted to attend.

During this time, our beloved Office Manager, Sandra Fisch decided that she wanted to retire. After over a decade of service to our community as both a previous BOD member and an employee of Westwood Five, Sandra decided to spend some more time at home with her family. The BOD sincerely thanks Sandra for her many dedicated years to our community and we wish her all the best of luck in the future.

As a result of this news, the BOD posted an opening for this position at the clubhouse for 14 days. We received interests from several people, and ultimately two people applied for the position. Both of those highly qualified candidates were interviewed and both were considered for the position. One of those applicants was selected and we are happy to announce our new Office Manager, Robyn Palmaz. Robyn is also a resident of the community, which is something we preferred, who comes to us with many years of experience as an office manager with numerous administrative duty credentials. Robyn has already started in her new position with us and has hit the ground running. Thanks to the assistance of Sandra Fisch who has been training Robyn, our office is up and running with no downtime.

As a result of this selection, Alex Palmaz, has resigned his position from the BOD to avoid any conflict of interest and will now assist the BOD as an associate member with no voting rights.

Board News - Continued

*The Westwood Five
Homeowners Association
Business Office is open
Monday through Friday
from 8:30 to 4:30PM
Phone # 954-366-6042*

During our last meeting the Board reorganized and welcomed Brooke Gehr back on the board to fill the position vacated by the resignation of Alex Palmaz. Brooke will now fill the role of Treasurer and Luis Peneloza has taken on the role of Secretary.

The Board was excited to welcome Brooke back onto the board as she has numerous years of experience with our HOA and can assist greatly in our financial management. She will be a strong addition to benefit our community.

As posted in the meeting agendas the board has also approved our budget for 2020. The budget includes expenses to improve landscaping, repair our pool and patio furniture, and replace the aging covered seating area at the main pool to expand it and provide additional covered seating for our residents.

This BOD has not allowed the current pandemic situation to slow us down or impede on our promise to the community. We continue to serve and get the job done so our Westwood Five Community remains the premier place to live in the City of Tamarac.

On May 26th, 2020, the State has issued new guidance that allows for the reopening of our community pools! We are very excited for this news and will be re-opening our pools on Thursday 4/30. Please be mindful of restrictions that are still in place.



1. **Social distancing is still required. Please do not congregate in the pool or patio areas.**
2. **NO groups of 10 or more are allowed to gather.**
3. **PARTIES are not permitted at this time.**
4. **Please wipe down all furniture before and after use. When using chairs and loungers please make sure you sit or lay on a towel.**
5. **You MUST shower before entering the pool.**
6. **If you are in anyway sick, please do not use the facilities!**

Important Reminders

Our HOA dues are \$65.00 per month. Several residents have only been paying \$60.00 a month which is putting your accounts in arrears. Please make sure you submit the correct amount when paying your HOA dues this month. If you have only been paying \$60.00 a month you will be receiving a statement of account in the mail shortly to bring your account up to date.

Also when making payments, you MUST put your WW5 address on the check. Several of you do not include this information and it makes it very difficult to update our accounts.

Your Board at Work ! – Maintenance and Improvement Updates

We have been taking advantage of the closure of our facilities to make improvements for you! When we re-open on Thursday 4/30/2020 everything will be in tip top shape for your enjoyment.

- Game Room ceiling was cleaned and repainted. (Thank you Glen!)
- Main Office was remodeled for a more professional appearance and environment. (Thank you Adam, Jim and Tom!)
- Clubhouse Pool Deck/patio area was pressure washed. (Thank you Adam)
- All of the pool lounge chairs are now like new as all of the fabric has been replaced!
- South Pool – Exterior lighting and pool lighting has all been repaired with new super bright LED lights!
- Clubhouse exterior lighting will soon be repaired with new LED lighting as well.
- Paper towel dispensers in the restrooms have all been repaired or replaced. (Thank you Glen)
- All of the patio table umbrellas have been replaced. These new umbrellas have solar powered LED lighting for evening use!. Please remember to close the umbrella after you are done using!
- The Clubhouse and South Pool Building are being repainted! By the time you read this newsletter the clubhouse will be completed and the South Pool Building will be underway! Thank you to all the board members for putting in **all of the labor** to get this job done! We hope you all enjoy the new look!

*Happy Mothers Day and
Memorial Day!!
Your Westwood Five
Homeowners Association Board*





A Message from ABP

As you know, all ABP board members are volunteers. There are times when problems arise and we cannot fix them if we do not know about them. This includes lawn service, resealing driveways and pressure cleaning roofs as well as painting your home.

Any ABP member who is cited for a dirty roof should immediately contact ABP since we are probably trying to contact you.

PLEASE REMEMBER, We cannot notify you regarding ABP if we do not have a working telephone number for you. If you have changed your number or your cell number please let us know!

As a reminder, all ABP payments are due on the first of the month, late on the 11th at which time a \$25.00 late charge is imposed. Please be prompt and put your member ID number on your check. We realize some of our members are having financial problems. Please advise us if this is the case and we will work with you to avoid late fees and legal fees.

We thank you for participating in ABP and we will continue to do our best and to improve our service to you whenever possible.

Board of Directors - ABP



As soon as the COVID restrictions are fully lifted we will be bringing back MOVIE NIGHT!

The BOD is also planning a HUGE Fourth of JULY BBQ and PARTY at the pool. We are hoping this will all be past us by then and we can all get together for a great time!



This months submission :

Summer time perfect lemonade recipe – by Glen Fisch

Perfect Lemonade Recipe

INGREDIENTS

- 1 cup sugar (can reduce to 3/4 cup)
- 1 cup water (for the simple syrup)
- 1 cup lemon juice
- 3 to 4 cups cold water (to dilute)

METHOD

- 1** Make simple syrup by heating the sugar and water in a small saucepan until the sugar is dissolved completely.
- 2** While the sugar is dissolving, use a juicer to extract the juice from 4 to 6 lemons, enough for one cup of juice.
- 3** Add the juice and the sugar water to a pitcher. Add 3 to 4 cups of cold water, more or less to the desired strength. Refrigerate 30 to 40 minutes. If the lemonade is a little sweet for your taste, add a little more straight lemon juice to it.

Serve with ice, sliced lemons.

Serves 6.

Enjoy the warm days of spring and the flowering trees. And Glen says bring him a glass of lemonade!



Code Enforcement Updates/Reminders

Do you notice a violation in the community?

- Dirty Roof?
- Driveway need sealing?
- Grass needs cutting?
- Parking on the Grass?

Contact : Code Enforcement
westwoodfive23@comcast.net

Officers will visit the property to confirm the violation and issue a notice if required. Help keep your community looking great!



Crime Prevention Corner

Car Hopping or vehicle burglary continues to be a problem in Broward County. This crime is typically associated with teenagers who go from house to house in the late evening hours and check your vehicle doors. If they are unlocked they will quickly enter your vehicle and grab anything they can. The best way to prevent this crime is to keep your vehicle locked at all times!

With the proliferation of camera systems in our neighborhood, if you capture any suspicious people on camera, please contact BSO and share the information with us! We will make sure its posted on the website and in the next newsletter!

SPECIAL NOTICE

A recent incident involving violations of pool/clubhouse rules resulted in the suspension of pool privileges and a possible fine for the violators.

Remember, Westwood Five rules and governing documents are for your protection and violators will be held accountable in order to ensure adherence to same. Following the clubhouse/pool rules will only result in a more pleasant community for all of our residents.

Mother's Day Fun Facts :

Anna Jarvis of Philadelphia who started Mother's Day celebrations also filed a lawsuit in an effort to stop the over- commercialization of Mother's Day. She lost her fight. Anna had hoped for a day of reflection and quiet prayer by families, thanking God for all that mothers had done.

August is the most popular month in which to have a baby, with more than 360,000 births taking place that month in 2001.

Elvis Presley, was a mama's boy. He slept in the same bed with his mother, Gladys, until he reached puberty. Up until Elvis entered high school, she walked him back and forth to school every day and made him take along his own silverware so that he wouldn't catch germs from the other kids. Gladys forbade young Elvis from going swimming or doing anything that might put him in danger.

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