# THE CIRCLE ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

#### **MAY 2019**

Jacaranda Country Club Villas Association, Inc.

### \*KEEP ALL RESIDENTS OF JACARANDA COUNTY CLUB VILLAS INFORMED OF ALL ISSUES IMPACTING OUR COMMUNITY. \*

#### **Communication**

The Board is committed to improving communication to our individual residents-both computer aware and those not 'plugged in'.

An additional 25 resident directories will be made available with Joe Macarelli to any interested resident. The Board believes these communication vehicles could be better and are soliciting the help of residents to develop a more accurate and up-to-date Circle Directory.

We would like to develop a Welcoming Committee to plug in the new residents currently arriving. We are also soliciting for residents interested in serving on the compliance committee.

Ron Springall, Grounds Chair, and Joe Claro, Irrigation Chair, have worked with vendors to develop and publish notification schedules for the services required within the Circle. Further, we plan to improve The CIRCLE to be more about circle AND HOA1 goings-on. These schedules are posted at the website. The board has requested that a suggestion site be available within the website. This is currently in the development stage. This may be combined with resident concerns page to bring to light issues residents would like the Board to consider.

### ENSURE PRESERVATION OF JCCV PROPERTY VALUES RELATIVE TO THE PREVAILING MARKET PLACE.

In 2018 the Board initiated several campaigns with an eye to solidifying and improving our property values. Some improvements were developed for immediate concerns while others were more long-term fixes.

#### 1. Pool

During the past weeks the board has initiated several improvement projects. Last summer we had to shut the pool for over a week due to algae. To avoid this, we need to keep the pool temperature at less than 83 degrees. This can be accomplished through a cooling cycle which we engaged at the beginning of May.

The board determined that the appearance of the pool area is a major contributor to the opinions of prospective buyers as to the desirability of ownership. Several residents accepted

the challenge of improving the pool appearance. This began in 2016; with installation of the pool pavers in 2017 and continued in 2018 with replacing the pool area counter. Later the BOD approved improving the pool furniture which became, by economic necessity, a multiyear initiative. The second installment of this initiative-chairs and tables- will occur in the December.

#### 2. Grounds and Buildings

The Board met with HOA1 board to develop a schedule for repairing the road. At this time the first phase repair will occur in mid-July.

In January Joe Claro and the landscape team began a multiyear initiative that should reduce staining of the Circle structures. Instead of sprinkler heads along driveways we will be installing drip lines thus reducing spray on structures and driveways. The first phase has been completed.

During the spring/summer we will further trim back the trees that infringing on roofing. This is over and above the palm tree trimming of over 90 palm trees in the fall.

The board further worked with Sunstate Management to improve the adjacent waterway. A cleanup team applied exfoliate to the waterway in late March.

Board member Ron Springall offered his valuable expertize to several resident areas and vastly improved landscaping appearances within those areas. The Board completed pool building door repairs in late April.

We toured the area with Beechtree services in late April. At issue was reduction of grounds inconsistency. While the grounds appearance \has certainly improved over last year at this time we still have significant weed issues. One very difficult issue is asparagus weed that grows within the different decorative bushes such as the Ixora currently improving the appearance of several front areas. According to Hank Johnson our gardener this nuisance weed grows from within the root of the bush and cannot be removed without removing the whole bush. This issue will be further discussed during the board meeting.

The board embarked on installation of solar heating of the pool. We contacted Harrimans Solar and received a quote for solar pool heating that we will use to compare against other solar vendors.

## MAINTAIN STEWARDSHIP OF THE JCCV COMMUNITY APPEARANCE, FINANCES, INSURANCE, SAFETY AND SECURITY.

#### **Finances**

The board continued the financial focus of Country Club Circle to ensure all requirements regarding the Circle reserve big ticket replacements and/or repairs have been accounted for within the Circle reserves budget. Judy will discuss this within the financial report.

#### Insurance

The board meeting involving Mike Angers, our insurance representative to answer any issues or questions the board or the residents may have. As stated previously within the very detailed and complete write-up submitted by Judy Liston, our representatives reviewed quotes from over twenty carriers continuing to add dollars to the \$47K plus dollars they had already saved the association. As hoped Mike dispelled any misgivings providing an explanation of the

insurance quoting process as well as how we can improve not only the insurance protection of the Circle in general but also how our individual insurance can be improved to enhance our personal protection.

#### Committees

The Board has commissioned a Compliance Committee and is pleased to report three residents have shown interest

David Long from 837

Robin Blair from 888

Gene Pope from 892

It is our hope this committee will assist the board in highlighting issues that will improve the appearance of the Circle as well as notification to the board of areas needing improvement. WELCOME