

Sorrento South Times



Fall Newsletter

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CONGRATULATIONS SORRENTO SOUTH!

New covenants are now finalized and recorded with the county! They are now our governing documents. The board thanks the community for all their support in getting this accomplished.

CLEAN SLATE LETTER

After the covenants were completed, a clean slate letter was written with guidance by our attorney and mailed to all residents. In years past, prior boards allowed certain violations to exist throughout the community. The clean slate letter was written to grandfather certain violations that were overlooked in the past. These violations will not be permitted in the future. For details, residents can view the Clean Slate Letter on our website, sorrentosouth.org.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW AND VARIANCE POLICIES

In accordance with our covenants, when residents want to make changes to the exterior of their homes and yards, the homeowner must seek approval from the board. The Architectural Review and Variances Policies were created to facilitate the process for the homeowner to follow and to give the board guidance in reviewing the applications. These policies and applications can also be found on our website.

WHEN TO LOWER OUR FLAG AT HALF STAFF

Occasionally, our board has been asked to lower our flag to half staff in remembrance of a community member. While we would like to show respect, in these circumstances lowering the flag is inconsistent with US Code Title 4, Chapter 1, Section 7. This is also addressed through the American Legion in a question and answer section, as follows:

“Question: Can the mayor order the flag to be half-staffed?

Answer: No, only the President of the United States or the Governor of your State may order the flag to be half-staffed.

Those individuals and agencies that usurp authority and display the flag at half-staff on inappropriate occasions are quickly eroding the honor and reverence accorded this solemn act.”

<https://www.legion.org/flag/questions-answers/91480/can-mayor-order-flag-be-half-staffed>

IN MEMORIAM

We would like to extend our deepest sympathies to our neighbors who have lost family members:

Bobbie Rusco's husband, Ralph (Skip) Rusco 3/18/17

Linda Burnett Neubert's husband, Dr. Joachim Neubert May 2016

Edward (Jack) Schlatter 2/28/1927 – 2/28/2017

If you would like your loved one to be remembered in our newsletter, please notify the board.



New Community Members

Austin and Kelsie Law

James and Deborah Murray

Courtney and Dawn Collier

Jordan and Jacqueline Mazur

Cheryl Walsh

Emily and Paula Cunningham

SPEEDING

Several residents have expressed concern about cars traveling too fast in our neighborhood. People are walking, roller skating, biking, walking with strollers, running, etc. Occasionally some dogs get out and are in the streets. Reminder: School is back in session.

The speed limit in our neighborhood is 30 MPH. Considering the number of people that are out and about, even that speed limit may be too high. Please be cautious and drive slowly through Sorrento South. We don't want any person or any pet to get hurt.



E-MAIL ADDRESSES

If you have received this newsletter via postal mail and have an e-mail address that we can use to e-mail future newsletters, which will save us considerable money, please send that e-mail address to Brian Rivenbark at brian@sunstatemanagement.com.

SORRENTO SOUTH WEBSITE

We want to remind everyone that there is a Sorrento South website that contains past newsletters, contact information, community news and other information. The website address is SorrentoSouth.org.

MARINA NEWS

Marine fuel, fishing tackle and other boat items have been stolen from boats in our marina. If you see suspicious activity at the docks or anywhere in the neighborhood, call non-emergency police, 941-316-1201.

There are five slips in the basin available for rent and two others for sale. Contact Barbra Lechky for details at (941) 966-1208.

Sarasota County is installing a catch basin in the drainage ditch running along the western edge of the golf course. The catch basin is intended to reduce silting in the Sorrento South boat basin.

We hope everyone has a pleasant and safe Fall!