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Tampa Palms North Owners Association

THE OFFICIAL Newsletter OF TAMPA PALMS NORTH



The Tampa Palms North Annual Membership Meeting is being held on Wednesday, December 2nd at 6 pm at the Club. All owners are welcome to attend, but social distancing and masks will be required. Please take the extra time to return your proxies to the Club if you do not plan to attend the meeting. Email copies will be accepted and welcomed.

Santa will be visiting the Club on Saturday, December 5th for those that place a reservation. We are sorry to report that breakfast will not be provided this year for safety reasons. We will have a letter format for your child to bring to Santa's mailbox posted on the website at www.mytpnoa.com under Club News, Santa Visit. We will be setting up to have a line going down the front outside of the building, going in to see Santa, and exiting the back door and around the building to maintain six foot distancing. Please wear masks in the line. Gift bags will still be issued to each child and the photographers will be present to email your pictures to your inbox.

Our irrigation project is still ongoing with the side of Palm Springs closer to Bruce B Downs. New wires are being laid to replace old style irrigation wiring. We are projecting that the project will continue down Commerce Park early next year. New landscaping is planned for the light at Commerce Park and Tampa Palms Boulevard as well as the Club pool area.

We hope everyone has a wonderful holiday season and a safe and Happy New Year!











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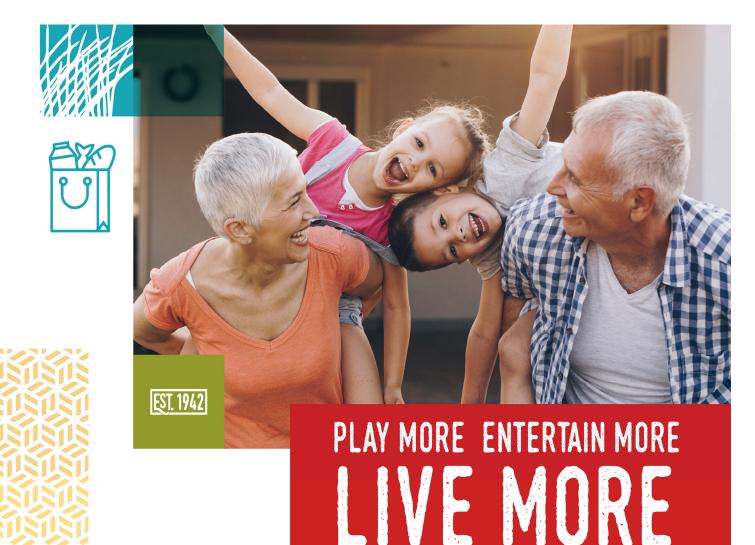
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Lancaster



Isn't that exactly what we need? Joy! In this incredibly challenging year, we are so ready to lean into the holiday season for all it's magic, twinkling lights and joy! 'Tis the season! And boy are we ready! It is, after all, the most wonderful time of the year – and for many reasons (not the least of which is how it signals the end of 2020!) 'Tis the season... to be jolly, to be merry, to be stressed, of joy, to sparkle, to celebrate, of lights, to believe...

there are so many options. But "the" season is here! Perhaps you are still stuffed from your Thanksgiving feast, but December is here and brings major religious and cultural celebrations, a blessedly cooler climate, the conclusion of hurricane season and lots more eating opportunities! It's a wonderful month for all!

The beautiful entrance to our neighborhood was designed and implemented by a team of Lancaster elves, led once again by Chief Elf, Shelly Blair! Thanks to Todd Parker, Verna Wall, Steve Blair and all the other elves who helped get it all hung with care – we appreciate all our volunteers for their time and work to get our gates and entry so festive and bright! Hope it brings you – joy!

October brought us Halloween, and while the crowds were much smaller this year, we had a fun group of neighbors celebrate – safely – together. You can see from the pictures the fun and creativity had by neighbors. Also, in October, your HOA board met and deliberated on the budget, property maintenance, home maintenance, road work and several other issues impacting our neighborhood. Heartfelt appreciation to HOA treasurer **Todd Parker and Property Manager Deby Paul** for working tirelessly to develop a budget that allows us to accomplish our current needs, build our reserves and address some upcoming issues. So many have power washed, trimmed and mulched – the neighborhood looks great. Hope you noticed the "we noticed" card send out to thank you for your diligent efforts! There are still a few homes that need their mailboxes and carriage lights spruced up and oak trees lining the street trimmed – so before the Grinch comes by and cites you, please spend a little time trimming, painting and cleaning! Hope you noticed that we have added fresh mulch, trimmed all our common area palms and power washed the common curbs and entrance monument to lead the effort and keep our neighborhood merry and bright!

The next HOA meeting is the Lancaster Annual Meeting and is set for next month on January 13th at 6:00pm. We'll know later if it will be virtual or at the Clubhouse. At this meeting elections will be held for our Board of Directors and other neighborhood business will be conducted. We would love to see you and hear your thoughts! The annual meeting requires quorum from our homeowners, so if you are unable to join us in person (virtually counts as well) on the 13th, please mail in your proxy vote – which you should be receiving soon!

It's been a very challenging year for our beautiful neighborhood but we've maintained and grown our value and beauty with lots of improvements, some new neighbors, and a stronger sense of community. No doubt we are ALL ready to end 2020, so as we head into 2021, your HOA board, comprised of your neighbors, wishes you a joyful and healthy holiday season and continued good health and a happy new year!



Photo's from Lancaster Neighborhood Halloween Celebrations



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Mayfair

The holiday season is upon us, and we can't wait to see the streets of Mayfair light up with holiday cheer! While 2020 has been a challenging year, we can all be thankful to call this great community home. This was never more evident than during the Mayfair Spooktacular. Thank you to all of you that came out dressed in costumes and made this event a blast! We hope to be able to do more social events in the future, and would like to hear your suggestions at: MayfairTampa@gmail.com.

Our annual meeting was held October 19, during which we approved the 2021 budget. This was **Daniel Morrison's** last meeting as a board member, and we sincerely thank him for many years of great service to the neighborhood! We appointed two new members to the board: **Carla Martin and Barbara Beall,** and thank them for volunteering for these positions.

Our new landscape provider, Nature's Sprout, started two months ago. They will be trimming all large palms on individual lots this month, and we are excited to see the continued improvement of our landscaping service. If you have any feedback, please email us at MayfairTampa@gmail.com.

Lastly, with the rainy season over, we encourage you to pressure wash your homes, driveways, and/or fascia if they are in need of attention.

We wish everyone a very happy start to the holiday season. Stay safe and be well!



The cookie exchange or cookie swap tradition has been around for many years. The Christmas holiday season is a favorite time to have these parties. These parties are a lot of fun, and as a bonus you'll have lots of different cookies on hand for the holidays. Just think - bake one batch of your favorite cookie and you'll go home with many different kinds. Invite your friends, family, neighbors, church members, or community group.

- Decide how many guests you want to invite to the cookie exchange. Lots of people will ensure your guests have a variety of cookies to choose from, but too many people means too much baking. Ideally, you should plan the cookie swap for 10 to 12 people.
- During the holidays, it is wise to pick a non-weekend day or evening for your party, so it won't interfere with family weekends or office parties. Send the invitations out a month before the party. Everyone's calendar fills up fast in December!
- Confirm how many of your invited guests will be able to attend. Let everyone (each guest) know how many cookies they need to make. Each guest will need to bring one (1) dozen cookies to share and sample at the cookie exchange party and another one (1) dozen cookies for each person (guest) attending. For example, if eight (8) people will be attending, each person will need to bring 9 dozen cookies from the same recipe.
- Avoid duplication of cookies by asking guests to RSVP and tell you about the cookies they will bring. Make sure each

guest brings copies of their recipe to pass around. Since many people have food allergies, it's important they know the ingredients in the cookies at your party. And if there are family stories and especially ethnic traditions for a cookie, ask the guest to write that information on the recipe.

- Remind guests to bring a large container to take their cookie assortment home. Have extra containers and packing materials like foil, plastic wrap, and tape on hand for guests who may forget.
- Cookies to be exchanged should be wrapped well. They should be placed either on plastic plates with plastic wrap or in disposable containers that are airtight.
- During the cookie exchange, serve warm beverages such as coffee, hot chocolate, hot apple cider, or herbal tea. Don't

forget to eat and sample all the delicious cookies!



Whitehall

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays Whitehall! With Thanksgiving dinner – and most of the leftovers – behind us, we are now fully into the holiday season. But with shopping, wrapping, mailing, decorating and baking ahead, there's still lots more for all us busy elves to do! As the song goes, "It's the most wonderful time of the year!"

Thanks to everyone for doing a fine job keeping up with the home maintenance items! Almost all the driveways and sidewalks have been freshly power washed and are sparkly clean. The sidewalks in the HOA common areas have also been cleaned for your enjoyment. Some of the mailboxes around the neighborhood, however, could use some attention. If you need new decals, numbers or replacement parts you can find them at Creative Mailbox Designs (http:// www.creativemailboxdesigns.com/products/ residential-mailboxes.aspx).

We're looking forward to seeing all the holiday decorations that will make strolling through Whitehall even more beautiful during this special time of year. Also, the Board is planning on decorating the front entrance again this year to welcome you home each evening with a twinkling display of holiday cheer. If you would like to lend a hand, keep an eye out for an email from Rizzetta with details on the front entrance decorating party.

The upgraded call box at the front entrance now has the capability to connect with cell

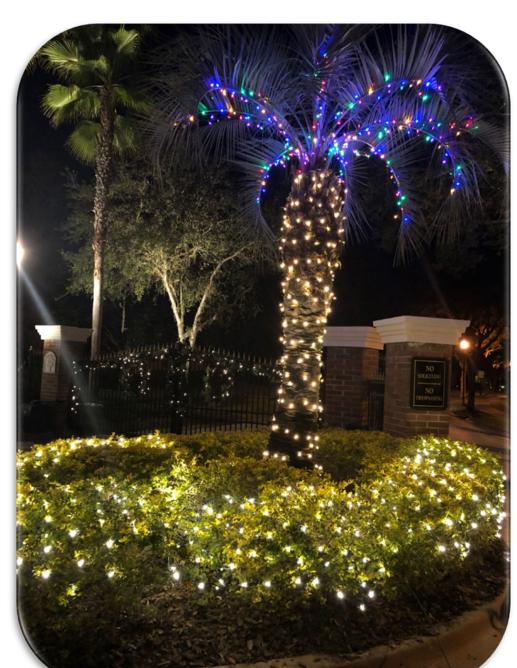
phone numbers. Rizzetta can help you update your call box contact number so you can admit guests, visitors or vendors more conveniently right from your cell phone.

As we close out 2020 and ring in 2021, now is a good time to check your account and profile settings on the Whitehall community portal hosted at https://portal.rizzetta.com/Homeowner/OwnerDashboard. Under the "Make a Payment" section you can also setup or update automatic payment information for the quarterly HOA assessments.

Thankfully, as a result of the annual HOA budget meeting held at Club Tampa Palms on October 8th, the dues will stay the same for 2021. Besides the budget decisions, there were several other important topics covered at the meeting including the neighborhood road repair project. After reviewing various bids, the board decided on a contractor and to move ahead with the road project in 2021. More information will be forthcoming once the project gets underway.

As always, please let our community manager, Nick Shaffery (NShaffery@rizzetta.com, or (813) 994-1001), know if you see anything needing attention in the common areas.

Have a wonderful holiday season with family and friends and enjoy your December in Whitehall! Merry Christmas!



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4 Bed | 3 Bath | 3 Car Garage | Oversized Conservation Lot | Fenced Rear Yard | 2,290 S.F.



4 Bed | 4 Bath | Office | 3 Car Garage | Sprawling Water Views | Outdoor Kitchen | 3,484 S.F.

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4 Bed | 2.5 Bath | 2 Car Garage | Maintenance Free Community | Screened Lanai | 2,466 S.F.



5 Bed | 3.5 Bath | 3 Car Garage | Bonus Room | Fenced Rear Yard | New Roof | 4,134 S.F.



5 Bed | 4 Bath | Office | Bonus Room | 3 Car Garage | Newer Roof | Pool & Spa | 3,577 S.F.



4 Bed | 4 Bath | 3 Car Garage | **New Engineered Wood Floors** New Roof | 3,511 S.F.



6 Bed | 5 Bath | 3 Car Garage | 2 Bonus Rooms | New Roof | Pool & Spa | 5,103 S.F.



5 Bed | 4.5 Bath | 3 Car Garage | Office | Bonus Room | Pool & Spa | 4,062 S.F.



4 Bed | 3 Bath | 3 Car Garage | Newer Roof | Newer A/C | Newer Paint | 2,788 S.F.

