



# Orchid Cove Connection

February

2017



## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### Orchid Cove Annual Membership Meeting and Board Elections

At our **Annual Membership Meeting** scheduled for **February 28, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Tara Preserve Community Center**, an election will be held to fill all three positions on the Board of Directors. Board members serve a 1-year term.



### Orchid Cove Board Meetings

Preserve Community Center –  
6:00 pm

February 16      March 16  
April 19

### Valentines Party - **CANCELED**

~~Saturday, February 11~~

~~7:00 pm – 11:00 pm~~

~~Tara Preserve Community Center~~

### Orchid Cove Community-wide Garage Sale



Saturday, March 4 – 8:00 am to 2:00

pm. This second annual event in Orchid

Cove will be promoted on a Facebook garage-sale page, and on the [Nextdoor](#)

[Tara website](#). Details will be posted at

the mail center and pool. Please keep items for sale on your driveway or in

your garage – **not** on the street, sidewalks, or the lined parking spaces. Participants last year sold most of what they had for sale – now that's encouraging!

### Tara Preserve Community Center

- **Wine Socials – 6:00 pm, First-Wednesday Monthly.** For February 1, wines from Washington State are **suggested**. Please bring a bottle of wine to share, wine glasses for yourself, and an appetizer or dessert to share.

### • CDD Board Meetings – 9:00 am

February 28      March 28

April 25      May 23

### Tara Preserve Golf Clubhouse

**Book Club – 3:30 pm, First-Thursday Monthly.** The upcoming dates/books are:

- Feb. 2 – [Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet](#) by Jamie Ford, *4.3 out of 5 stars*
- Mar. 2 – [Kick: The True Story of JFK's Sister and the Heir to Chatsworth](#), by Paula Byrne, *4.3 out of 5 stars*
- April 6 – [The Boys in the Boat: Nine Americans and Their Epic Quest for Gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics](#), by Daniel Brown, *4.7 out of 5 stars*
- May 4 – [To the Bright Edge of the World: A Novel](#) by Eowyn Ivey, *4.6 out of 5 stars*

### Tara Master Association Meetings

Board Meetings 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

- February 23 – Preserve Community Center
- March 28 – Tara Golf & Country Club

Keep checking out events on your TV at Channel **196**, dedicated to the Preserve.

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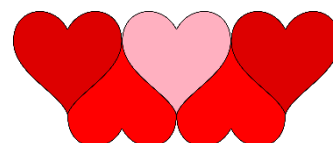
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## ORCHID COVE BOARD NOTES

### Pool Lounge Chairs

15 new lounge chairs for around the pool were delivered on January 4. **Friendly reminder:** to prevent staining from suntan lotion, put towels on them before sitting down.

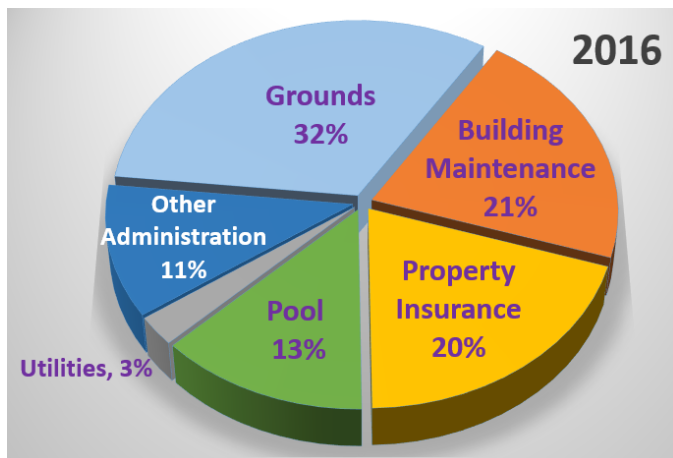
### Treasurer's Report

See the Argus Management/Orchid Cove website for the **complete 12/31/16 financial statement.**

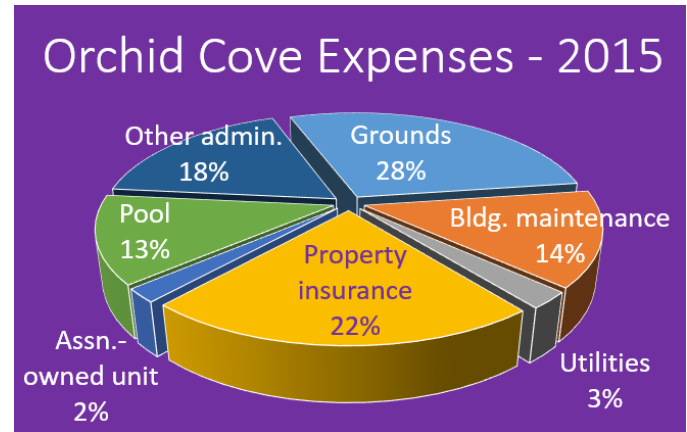
Assets	December 31, 2016
Checking Account	\$145,834
Reserve Accounts	251,730
Other Assets & Receivables	13,836
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$411,400</b>

Income and Expenses	Jan. – Dec. 2016
	<b>Budget</b> <b>Actual</b>
Income	\$98,865      \$100,078
Expenses	98,865      97,634
<b>Jan. – Dec. 2016 Net Income</b>	<b>\$2,444</b>

Here's a category breakdown of the costs to run Orchid Cove in 2016. Note that since the Association-owned unit was sold, there is no cost category for it.



In comparison, here's the breakdown for 2015:



Orchid Cove currently has \$177,000 invested in CDs and, when they come due, intends to re-invest the proceeds in CDs. The Board will meet with the Argus auditor to discuss additional investment possibilities and timelines that comply with the regulations governing Orchid Cove.

### Painting the Buildings

**Siesta Key Décor** is set to begin washing/painting the exterior of the Orchid Cove buildings. The work will start with pressure washing at the pool building on February 6. **Efforts will take about one week per building** and be limited to three buildings at a time. Front doors and stairs will be the last items painted.

**Weather permitting, the work should be finished by late April.** You will be notified of all details in advance by the contractor (whose workday will be 7:30 am – 4:00 pm). A notice of the date for your building will be taped to your garage door with instructions:

- All cars in driveways or in painting areas need to be moved.
- Close all windows.
- Move all lanai furniture away from screens.
- Remove all personal items from all areas being painted (including doors, steps & landings).

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Lanai painting is not included in this project. However, Siesta Key Décor has provided **bid prices per lanai** for the work as follows:

- \$295 – walls & ceiling
- \$225 – floor

If you want to pay Siesta Key Décor to do your lanai, speak with them directly. Be sure to move or cover your furniture, as their power wash uses a 20% bleach solution.

If you decide to do the painting yourself, be sure to use the correct color 10-yr. Scott paint, and take note that the floor paint is different from the wall & ceiling paint. **You can buy the right paint at Scott Paint, 6713 E. SR 70.** Tell them you're from Orchid Cove.

## LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE

The Landscape Committee (**Kim Strub, Colleen Kleysen, and Kim Loskota, chair**) met January 25 to plan the next phase of landscape work. Ideas/wish list items for 2017 include replacing sod, adding an irrigation zone for the front entry garden, adding pygmy date palms, adding more plants around backflow piping, and replacing shrubs at the front entry to the pool. The ideas may be implemented based on priority and our landscape budget.

**Florida Lawnpros** will complete the 2016 Phase 3 shrub and tree planting February 5. They've also been working to repair the irrigation system and have installed more than 300 **concrete doughnuts** to protect the sprinkler heads. System malfunctioning may explain, in part, why some grass areas look faded or patchy.



## RULES AND REGULATIONS REVIEW

**KNOW THE RULES!**



Specific sections of the [Rules and Regulations](#) (R&R) will be reviewed in this and future editions of the **Connection**. This month, we're highlighting the **Flower Pots/Ornaments** section, which reads as follows:

### "Flower Pots/Ornaments"

Flower pots and ornaments are **only permitted on front porches or second floor landings**, not on stairs or in mulch areas. No hanging plants are permitted to hang from poles in the ground or from any exterior part of any building. Plants must be of reasonable size, shape and condition."

If you have any questions, contact Argus Property John Yilmaz.

## COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

# Welcome to Orchid Cove

INFORMATION FOR NEW OWNERS AND RESIDENTS

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

JANUARY 2017

In a January 25th email from the Board, Orchid Cove residents were notified that the first ever [Welcome Packet for New Residents](#) has been posted on the Argus/Orchid Cove website. The Packet will be kept up-to-date online, so you can easily use it as a quick reference in the future. We hope you find it to be useful! If you have questions about it or suggestions for information in the packet, please contact a member of the Communications Committee or the Board.

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Included in the Welcome Packet (as well as posted separately on our website) is **another new document**: the [Orchid Cove Responsibility Matrix](#). It outlines **some** of the Association's physical features – both exterior and interior – and the party responsible for the described operation: either the Association or the unit owners. Take a look; call a Board member or John Yilmaz if you have any questions.

## Can you offer some content for this newsletter?

We'd love to print it! Send your contribution to a member of the **Communications Committee**:

- Dave Loskota, chair, at [DLoskota@comcast.net](mailto:DLoskota@comcast.net)
- Kim Loskota at [KLoskota@comcast.net](mailto:KLoskota@comcast.net)



If you don't already receive the **Connection** by email, fill out and submit the [authorization form](#) attached to this edition. Past issues of the **Connection** are available on the [Orchid Cove page](#) of the Argus Management website.

## ROAD CONSTRUCTION ON 1-75

Lots going on in our vicinity. Click on the following FDOT website pages for the latest info on:

- The [diverging diamond](#) interchange at University Parkway. Sign-up [here](#) to receive **weekly FDOT updates** via email and/or text message alerts.
- [I-75 upgrades between Fruitville Road and University Parkway](#)
- [I-75 widening from University Parkway to SR 64](#) (including [reconstruction of the I-75/SR 70 interchange](#)). Although noise-walls have been approved for the ultimate 10-lane roadway, the proposed interim 8-lane alignment needs its own noise-wall study. We have been told by FDOT that, to be approved, 1) the wall's estimated cost must be less than \$5,000/benefited person, and 2) a decibel-level study must also be conducted. We'll contact FDOT in May for an update.



## GARBAGE/RECYCLING COLLECTION

There will be no residential garbage or recycling collection on **Presidents' Day, Monday, February 20**. For this day and any other **observed holiday** occurring during regular collection days, collections will take place one day later for the remaining days that week. Regular collection days resume the following Monday.

**Observed holidays** are:

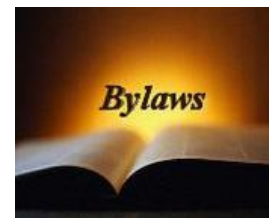
**NEW YEARS DAY** – Observed Monday, January 2, 2017  
**PRESIDENTS' DAY** – Monday, February 20, 2017  
**MEMORIAL DAY** – Monday, May 29, 2017  
**INDEPENDENCE DAY** – Tuesday, July 4, 2017  
**LABOR DAY** – Monday, September 4, 2017  
**THANKSGIVING DAY** – Thursday, November 23, 2017  
**CHRISTMAS DAY** – Monday, December 25, 2017

In February, [E-Scrap](#) can be dropped off on **February 11** at Manatee County's [Palmetto Fairgrounds](#), 9:00 am – 3:00 pm. Although the address is 1303 17<sup>th</sup> St. W., enter only from 14<sup>th</sup> Ave. W. across from Church on the Rock. You can also take it to the [Lena Road Landfill](#) any **Monday – Saturday**, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm. On SR 64, turn right at the third traffic light east of I-75 (3333 Lena Road). Drop-offs at both locations are free for County residents.

## DID YOU KNOW?

### TMA Bylaw Amendments Approved

At the **Special Membership Meeting** on January 17 at the Preserve Community Center, TMA members voted to **approve** two bylaw amendments that will:



1. **Reduce** the number of TMA board members from seven to five, and
2. **Allow** a replacement board member to complete the term of the vacated board seat.



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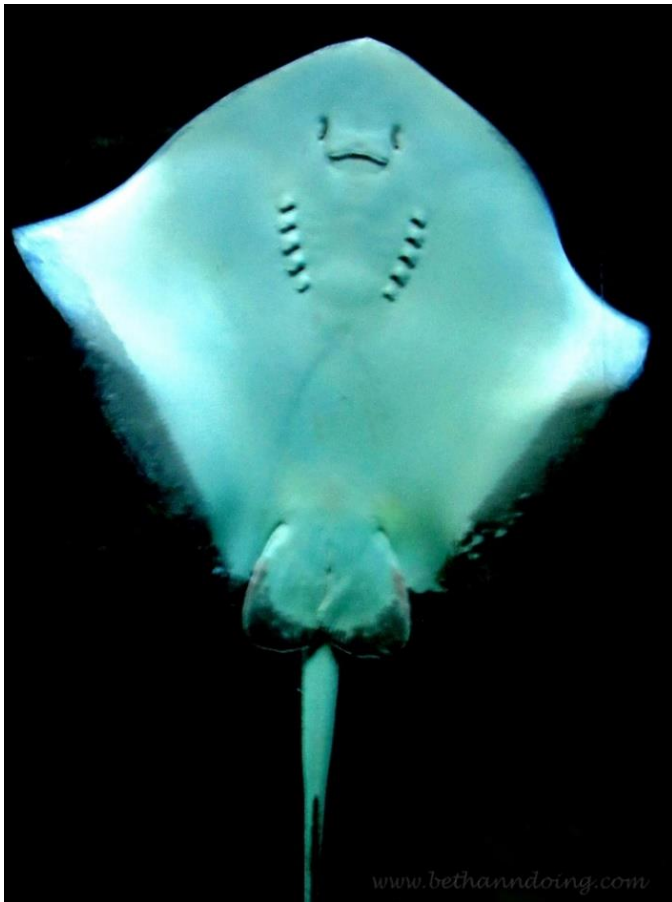
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## PHOTO CORNER

### Smile from Tampa Aquarium

By Beth Strub



(L to R) Beth & Kim Strub, Carole & Bill Hasper, Rob Albine & Jacki Dehainaut, Diane & Rich Olsen, Barbara Dalgaard

### Orchid Cove's January Holiday Party



(L to R) Colleen Kleysen & Keith Dangerfield, Patti Balogh & her sister, Rich Balogh

### Orchid Cove Board Members 2016-17

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[Orchid Cove Recommended Vendors](#)

[Owner Information Form](#)

[Rules & Regulations](#)

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[Tara Preserve CDD](#)

If you would like to receive the **Connection** newsletter by **email**, fill out this form and return it to John Yilmaz at Argus Management. **If you're a renter**, provide your name, unit no., phone and email below. Thanks!

## Orchid Cove Condominium Association, Inc. Owner Information Form

To receive the best possible service, please complete this form with your current information. We need this information to make sure our files are accurate and that you receive all correspondence from Argus Property Management, Inc. and the Board of Directors on Orchid Cove Condominium Association matters.

You may **return the information** via the following:

Email: [hasanjohn@argusmgmt.com](mailto:hasanjohn@argusmgmt.com)

Fax: 941-927-6767 – Attn: John Yilmaz

Mail: John Yilmaz  
Argus Property Management  
2477 Stickney Pt Rd Ste #118A  
Sarasota FL 34231

Owner Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Orchid Cove Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like to receive Association correspondence electronically, please provide an Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

If the occupants of the Orchid Cove address are renters, please provide their name(s) and phone number below. Please send us an updated lease if it has expired.

Renter Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Unit No. \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

