



# Williamsburg Community

Local Hobe Sound Happenings at the Williamsburg Condominium at Heritage Ridge

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## Williamsburg Memorial Day and 4<sup>th</sup> of July Cookouts

## Parking Update

The Parking Police are pleased to announce that this year was a great year. Everyone is parking where they should be and Guests were using the Yellow Parking Pass. Since many folks are up north, please be vigilant in reporting any unusual vehicles or activity to Clubhouse (772-546-5244) or by e-mail at [wcoaoffice@williamsburg.comcastbiz.net](mailto:wcoaoffice@williamsburg.comcastbiz.net). Karen Beese, our Property Manager's hours on site, are 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm. Monday and Friday and 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Or, if you can't find Karen, call a Board Member.

**Happy 4th of July** – The Independence Day cookout will be at the clubhouse on July 4 @ 5:30 p.m.

The **Memorial Day Grill Out** took place on Memorial Day from about 5:30-7:30 p.m. Peggy Deitz and Cindy Denezzo decorated and handed out flyers to those still in town. There were about 15 of us and we all brought a dish to share. There were burgers, dogs, chicken and even steak with lots of salads, veggies and delicious desserts. Murph ensured that the grill was sparkling clean after all of the chefs finished.



## Planning Ahead

Although the budget is not due until a few months from now, Bonnie Welsh, our Treasurer, met with Barbara Shea from the Advantage Management Company. They discussed the past year's budget issues, current year budget concerns and future year budget recommendations.

### Some help...

Two ice buckets are missing from the clubhouse – If found, please return – we need them for future activities – PLEASE.

## Happy Father's day!

### From Committees:

The Finance Committee has recommended that the Reserve be increased. This year's budget includes funds rolling into the Reserve. It is, however, going to take a few years to recoup from prior years' depletions.

As for the insurance policy, the premium invoice is not usually available until after the budget has gone to vote, with adjustments being made and revoted on thereafter.

Bonnie is checking with the insurance company to see if it is possible to change the effective date from January to November (or December) of each year. This will allow us to have solid numbers when it comes time to vote on the annual budget.

The Comcast cable contract is being analyzed and other options explored.

### HOA NEWS:

➡ Recycling is improving but we still need to remember to "break down our boxes."



# Happenings around town ...

## SPRING AND SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Activities of the Hobe Sound Chamber of Commerce. Go to <http://www.hobesound.org/events?ce=true> to find out more.

6/4/2015	<a href="#"><u>JA at the Improv Comedy Club</u></a>
6/8/2015	<a href="#"><u>Hobe Sound Summer Environmental Camp</u></a>
6/13/2015	<a href="#"><u>White Shirt Night</u></a>
6/15/2015	<a href="#"><u>Engineering and Design Camp!</u></a>
6/15/2015	<a href="#"><u>Intermediate/Advanced Robotics Camp!</u></a>
6/15/2015	<a href="#"><u>Summer Climb-Preventing Summer Slide!</u></a>
6/22/2015	<a href="#"><u>Minecraft Stop Motion Movie Making Camp!</u></a>
6/22/2015	<a href="#"><u>Pirates of the Caribbean Summer Camp</u></a>
6/22/2015	<a href="#"><u>Minecraft: Fair Trade Rainforest Farm Camp!</u></a>
6/29/2015	<a href="#"><u>Eating Our Way Through Math Camp!</u></a>
7/6/2015	<a href="#"><u>STEM-TACULAR: Google Earth Camp!</u></a>
7/6/2015	<a href="#"><u>Minecraft: Water Challenge Camp!</u></a>

## Did you know???

### The top employers in Stuart ...

	Employer	# of Employees
1	Martin Health System	2,825
2	Martin County School District	2,566
3	Martin County	1,566
4	Publix	1,276
5	State of Florida	637
6	iVox Solutions	532
7	TurboCombustor Technology	420
8	Winn-Dixie	329
9	Liberator Medical Supply	319
10	Florida Power & Light	303



### Some help for a neighbor....

Survivor Fans and/or friends of Peggy Deitz: Peggy's son Terry Deitz was on the TV show Survivor a few years back. He nearly won!!!

Survivor is now having a Second Chance Opportunity and Terry is trying to win. Thanks to those who logged on to cbs.com and the show Survivor and voted for Terry. He was chosen to return to the show!

Peggy Deitz is a long-time resident of Williamsburg, Bldg 8, Unit 105. She is our summer party lady.

Unfortunately, she does not have a computer or e-mail so we voted for her.

### The Last Board meeting ....

The Board of Directors Meeting had a small audience, but 2 Board Members were present and Pres. Bob via telephone. A few items that came up included a recommendation to add a Capital Contribution amount of +/- \$300 to any new unit owners at the time of purchase. Either the buyer or seller could pay it. The funds would be put into the Reserve Account, which is used for Capital Improvements or catastrophic emergencies. This will be an item that will need to be voted on by all of the Williamsburg Residents. Currently, there are two (2) units for sale. We could not make it effective until we have had the vote.

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**Please take the time to read the Williamsburg Community each time you receive it, and consider sending in items for publication.**

## News from around Florida ....

There is a bill in the Florida Legislature we might all want to take notice of. The bill (SB 414) moved a step closer to becoming law this month as the committee passed it on a unanimous vote. The House version of the bill, HB 71, was unanimously passed by the House, after passing three committees there. The Senate version still has two more committee stops. The bill would make interfering with the disabled and their service animals a second-degree misdemeanor, carrying penalties of up to 60 days in jail, up to \$500 in fines and 30 hours of community service for an organization that serves people with disabilities or another entity, at the discretion of a judge.

Under the bill, the same crime and penalties would apply to pet owners who lie about having a disability and falsely claim that their pet is a service animal. Service animal owners cannot be asked about their disability or whether they are entitled to have a service animal, but they may be asked if the animal is a service animal and what tasks it performs to assist its owner.

Much of the bill reiterates rights and rules already provided by the federal Americans with Disabilities Act, but what would make the Florida bill distinctive is the part that would make it a criminal offense to harass a disabled person with a service animal or to misrepresent a pet as a service animal.

**In our next issue: Hurricane Season:** suggestions about a generator, emergency numbers, keys, procedures in case of emergency. Any thoughts? Thank you Frank and Jeanne Nott for volunteering to help with Hurricane Preparation.

## Meet our newspaper staff: Dave Zurhellen



Dave Zurhellen and his wife, Linda, joined our Williamsburg community four years ago. Dave is an alumnus of Columbia, Pace, Manhattanville, and the State University of New York. Their daughter, Emily, is a frequent visitor from her work in Manhattan in the garment district. He grew up in various parts of the world, due to his father's assignments as an American Ambassador. Dave's professional life might be summed up as a lifetime of service to children. Starting in 1968 and concluding in 2010, Dave worked with children with special needs. First as a counselor and then director of Clear Pool Camp, the oldest continuous running summer residential camp in the U.S. for underprivileged children from New York City; then as a teacher of

English and Physical Education for high school students with emotional disabilities; to Principal of several schools for students with various disabilities. Dave retired in 2010 and visited his brother who lives in the Jamestown section of Heritage Ridge. Dave and Linda enjoyed their time with us so much they decided to join us that very same month.

Dave has several hobbies. He has played sports most of his life, including baseball, basketball, tennis, track, swimming and bowling in high school and college. He plays bridge, canasta, chess, Mexican train, and many other table games. All these are fun for him, but his most favorite time is spent on his computer producing professional quality photographs for his friends and family which decorate his and other people's condos. You can see him at various times using his camera to capture images of Williamsburg, riding his bike through our street, or lounging on the beach at Hobe Sound. Dave and Linda generally spend the months of October through April in Florida and the other months at their long-time home in Putnam Valley, N.Y.

(Next issue: Meet Bonnie Welsh.)



← Can you name the public place this turtle sculpture is displayed next to?  
**First Prize** – a framed picture of the turtle!



In future issues we will have updates from the Finance, Architectural and Social Committees.



# Community Image Center

## Art & Photography

images of our community ... from our community.



Shrimpers Restaurant

Memorial Day at the clubhouse



Bridge Road

Storm over Williamsburg



Memorial Day at the clubhouse



Do you have any good pictures to share? Send them to us!

Memorial Day at the clubhouse



## Help for confused Williamsburg Insurance Shoppers

Mike Bastian clues us in on this tip: The Palm Beach Post's online guide can help consumers learn about Florida companies. Go to <http://tablet.olivesoftware.com/Olive/Tablet/PalmBeachPost/SharedArticle.aspx?href=PBC%2F2015%2F06%2F01&id=Ar00110> .

## Clubhouse Umbrella Etiquette

When using the pool umbrellas, please be kind and crank it all the way up and all of the way down to prevent damage. Also, make good common-sense choices on a windy day. Although the shade may be convenient, broken umbrellas are expensive to replace. Treat them as your own (since they are yours).



## Water Heater News from Bonnie:

I was just getting a quote about replacing a hot water heater as mine is the 1986 model. I had heard about the "tankless" hot water system so I called for a few quotes. In speaking with the first plumber, he informed me that if anyone is interested in getting a traditional 36 gallon hot water heater, they should do it now because the laws have changed as of April, 2015. These new laws can be viewed on Angie's List (go to Angie's List-don't Let the new hot water heater rules surprise you) and effective doubles the cost of the hot-water heater and reduces the size from a 36 gallon to a 30 gallon. The reason for the cost increase was due to new energy-efficiency requirements.

As to the "tankless" hot water heater system, the price was within \$70 of the traditional hot water heater, but that does not include the additional electric and electrician's fees. As I get quotes, I can pass them along.

So, in conclusion, if you are interested in replacing your hot water heater, you may want to think about doing it sooner than later. [Bonnie Welsh reporting live from Williamsburg Condominium.](#)

## Getting Ready ...

Hurricane season runs from June 1st through November 30th, although the first tropical storm "Ana" soaked the Carolinas. We have already had a few crazy storms, but no damage in the Williamsburg Condos have been reported. Some of the developments north of Hobe Sound had a freak hail storm. (*Those in need of new vehicle may want to check out Wallace dealerships for their many dented discounts.*) NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) [www.noaa](http://www.noaa.gov) offers a Preparedness List and an Outreach Program to get you ready. The best to be ready is to make a plan.

## About Hobe Sound ...

Did you know according to the August-October, 2014 Hobe Sound Chamber of Commerce Newsletter, Hobe Sound was named the Best Beach Town in the U.S.? It received an A-plus grade for its low crime rate and affordable housing market. In addition, the article states that Zillow Inc. named Hobe Sound #6, in the top 10 places to buy a vacation home by the water. Port Salerno was ranked #1.

## And about this Community Newsletter ...

**Newsletter advertising** - We are going to try to promote advertising in our Community Newsletter to help defray any unexpected costs or purchases for our Clubhouse. If you know anyone interested in advertising with our Community Newsletter, please have them call or email our management company. We are working on setting up the necessary advertising forms, with reasonable rates, to share their business information with our neighbors. We will also have "Personal Ads" available (for a minimum fee) to share any "happy special moments" or "just surprise a friend with a shout out".

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**Please consider contributing to this section of the Community.**

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