



BLUE RIBBON COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

April 2019

Newsletter@indianriverfarmshoa.org

Community Day

Saturday, May 4th

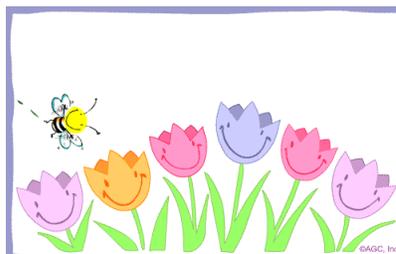
3pm to 6pm

Neighborhood Park

Please mark your calendars to come out to the park and enjoy an afternoon of FUN for kids and adults!

This is FREE event sponsored by your HOA. Feel free to bring blankets and/or lawn chairs. Food and beverages will be available @ 5pm.

There will be a DJ, petting zoo, face painting and more!



From the Editor

2019 HOA Meetings

Remember, this is a COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER, meaning anyone can submit an article or an advertisement for your business. Articles can be submitted via email to Newsletter@indianriverfarmshoa.org

A color copy of the newsletter can be found on the website indianriverfarmshoa.org

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UPA Property Manager

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June 11

August 13

September 14/annual meeting

October 8

November 12



CONTACT INFORMATION

Trees: 757-385-4461

Landscape@vbgov.com

Sidewalks: 757-385-1470

pwclrks@vbgov.com

Street Lights: 866-366-4357

<https://www.dominionenergy.com/outage-center/streetlight-outages/outdoor-lighting-email-form>

OR call Jenn Copeland and she can submit the outage information.

LOOKING BACK

This column "looks back" at the most recent BOD meeting and report on items of interest that were discussed.

- Theresa Bell volunteered to head a social committee.
- Several open area landscaping issues are being looked into
- BMP conference call results
- Updates and final preparations for Community Day

MAILBOX FLAGS

If any homeowner would like a spare flag for their mailbox, please contact Jenn @ UPA. They are available for pick up from her office.

YARD SALE

May 18 8am to 2pm

Start cleaning out the closets, sorting through kids toys and unearth items from the recesses of your garage!

Advertising will be done for the neighborhood and a banner will be hung at the entrance to the neighborhood.

If you have any questions, please email the board at the following:

boardofdirectors@
indianriverfarmshoa.org



Looking for something fun for your kids to participate in but teaches them invaluable life lessons? Then check out the local Virginia Beach 4-H clubs and other 4-H youth opportunities.

One of the clubs that may not be well known is The SeaHorse Riders 4-H Horse Club. This club is open to kids ages 5-18 who are interested in horses. The purpose of The SeaHorse Rider Club is to work with the Virginia Cooperative Extension program to have fun while learning practical life and horsemanship skills, to develop effective leadership in youth and adults and to help youth and adults further develop responsible citizenship and community servants.

For information about this and other 4-H clubs and opportunities, contact Sarah Farley, Virginia Beach 4-H Extension Agent @ sfarley@vbgov.com or call 757 385 8153

In addition to clubs there are summer camp opportunities as well. Check out their web site @ www.ext.vt.edu/topics/4h-youth

Help is needed for Community Day

Many hands make light work

The above is an old English Proverb first recorded in the 1300s. The Board of Directors is hoping we are all in agreement that it still applies to life today..... Particularly the upcoming Community Day on May 4th.

The board is asking for volunteers to help serve the food beginning at 5pm.

Other assistance will be needed for clean up @ 6pm.

If you can donate one of the following for use that day, please contact Don Darcy.

Coolers for drinks

Corn Hole Boards

Badminton / Volley ball

YARD OF THE MONTH

Once again the HOA will be holding the Yard of the Month Contest. For 3 separate periods a yard will be selected and the residents will receive a \$25 gift card to Home Depot. A home may only win once per calendar year.

Judges will change each period. If you would like to volunteer to judge please email Jenn. Judges for the April May period volunteered at the March meeting.

Only yards visible from the street or sidewalk will be taken into consideration.

The criteria in choosing a yard is as follows:

- Visual attractiveness
- Enhances the beauty of the home itself
- Well maintained

The judging periods will be:

April/May

June/July

August/September

Awards will be given out at the end of the second month. A sign will also be placed in the winner's yard and will be removed by a board member the following week.

Announcement will also be posted on IRF's facebook as well as in the newsletter.



Kickin' It In The Kitchen

SWEET FRUIT DIP

4 oz Cream Cheese, softened
1 cup whole berry cranberry sauce
1 cup Cool Whip, thawed
BEAT cream cheese and sauce with mixer on medium until well blended.
Gently stir in Cool Whip.

Refrigerate 1 hour or until ready to serve.

Serve with strawberries, grapes, pineapple and sliced banana.

BMP UPDATE

In April the attorney representing the HOA and Mr. Darcy's attorney held another conference call with the City Attorney. This was a follow up call from a call the prior month. The city continued to waffle on taking a position of whose responsibility the maintenance of the BMP's fell to. Jeanne Lauer, the attorney representing our HOA pressed the City Attorney for an answer saying they surely must be able to ascertain who the City assigned the responsibility to when the Plat was created. The City finally replied saying that if they had to choose who to assign it to it would be the HOA.

However, she asked for another month so that she could consult with a land use attorney with the City to confirm.

So while the matter has not been resolved as of yet it does appear that we are getting closer to a resolution.

ROBERT'S RULES Of Order

Per the IRF bylaws we are to be using Robert's Rules of Order to conduct our board meetings. Outlined below is the order of how the meetings will be conducted.

Call to Order

Welcome and Introductions

Approval of minutes

Homeowner Forum

Management Report

Treasurer Report

Committees Report

Old business

New business

Comments / Announcements

Adjournment

If you are unable to attend a meeting but have a comment or question for the board, you may email these to:

[jrcopeland@](mailto:jrcopeland@unitedpropertyassociates.com)

[unitedpropertyassociates.com](mailto:jrcopeland@unitedpropertyassociates.com)

Here are some key objectives for all meetings.

1. During Homeowner Forum all comments will be addressed to the board. No other homeowner should comment unless called upon by the speaker to clarify. Homeowners will remain respectful at all times.
2. Homeowner Forum will be limited to 3 minutes per speaker. Those who request speaking time are asked to sign up prior to the meeting's call to order. A sheet will be provided.
3. Upon closing of Homeowner Forum all further discussion will take place by the board members. They may call on a homeowner for input however at no other time should homeowners interrupt or interject. If a homeowner has something to add that is pertinent they are asked to raise their hand and wait to be acknowledged .
4. Board members during discussions shall each have an opportunity to weigh in. Each board member shall be given the opportunity to speak when discussing a topic. Board members shall remain respectful to others in attendance at all times. If needed, a second round of discussions will take place once everyone has the chance to weigh in.

INDIAN RIVER FARMS OWNER'S ASSOCIATION

APPLICATION FOR ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW

PLEASE MAIL OR DELIVER TO:

INDIAN RIVER FARMS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION
525 South Independence Blvd., Suite 200
Virginia Beach, VA 23452
Phone No: (757) 497-5752 FAX No: (757) 497-9133

WARNING: Exterior alterations commenced without prior approval of the Architectural Review Board (ARB) are in violation of the covenants and at the applicant's own risk. (Read your Indian River Farms documents thoroughly. Please review all the Conditions, Restrictions, Easements, Charges, and Liens.)

FROM: (Please print in ink or type.)

Name: _____
Address: _____
Home Ph: _____ Work Ph: _____

APPLICATION FOR: (Check appropriate work.)

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|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Landscaping/Grading | <input type="checkbox"/> Patio | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fence | <input type="checkbox"/> Shed | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deck | <input type="checkbox"/> Pool | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Repair or Replace | <input type="checkbox"/> Satellite Dish | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Exterior Finish/Color | <input type="checkbox"/> Hot Tub | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Play Structure | <input type="checkbox"/> Driveways | |

DESCRIPTION OF ALTERATION: Supplemental sheets, sketches, plats, all city and state permits, and architectural drawings, fully describing the proposed alteration, must be attached before the ARB will review the application. In case of an exterior color change, a sample of the new color, along with a description of the existing color, must be submitted. **Please submit written explanation of alteration when necessary, on separate sheet.**

NOTE: The ARB has thirty (30) days from the date a complete application package (including required signatures, plats showing location of alteration, pictures, and/or sketches of alterations, etc.) is received to approve, deny, or respond in reference to each application. By signing below, you acknowledge that if the modification(s), as constructed, differ in any way from those described herein, your approval will not extend to such modification(s).

Applications are to be received in the Association Office no later than the twentieth (20) of the month in order to be reviewed at the next ARB meeting, which is one week prior to the Board meeting. Any application received after the twentieth will be reviewed at the next subsequent meeting.

OWNER'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Business Advertisements

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High resolution digital prints

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Need help in planning that family Vacation, Weekend Get-A-Way or that Bucket List Adventure? I'm here to help and right in the neighborhood. Call and together we can make it happen.

Mike Bongiorno

Travel Consultant

757-217-7428

bungie@time4vacation.com

Let us make your holiday meals the easiest ever !!

Cherry wood Smoked Turkey and Ham

2016 World Champion Female Pitmaster Finalist

Champion BBQ at Backyard Price

Bigdogbbqva.com 757-619-0704

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