

THE COLONY AT BREAKERS WEST
WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA 33411
SPRING 2016 NEWSLETTER

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This has been an unusual weather Season here at Breakers West. High Temperatures, heavy rains, no rain, and strong winds with a few cold fronts tucked in. All in all it made for good fun and the ability to get out and about without the fear of snow and ice.

The Fall and early Spring have brought several new homeowners to The Colony. We welcome them and invite them to enjoy the benefits of Community Living.

We would like to remind all new homeowners both Mayacoo Lakes Country Club and Breakers West Country Club have a welcome package for you. It is available at the BWA office at 937 Dickens Place. It involves access to both clubs so you can get a better understanding of the clubs and the benefits of each.

As some of the residents prepare to leave The Colony for homes up north, there are a few important points we would like to remind you of that will make it easier for you and will maintain the integrity of the community:

- Light bulbs on the outside of the home should be changed before leaving.
- Mailboxes' should be in good repair. Mailboxes are the homeowner's responsibility. The Colony is in the process of replacing mailbox posts as needed. It may be that you will have to replace your mailbox if it is not the standard size.
- Make sure your resident information form is up to date and in the hands of BWA office (available on-line). Also, please update your contact information with GRS as well. (mlamore@grsmgt.com)
- Guests using your home while you are away must be cleared with the BWA office and must be called into Security.
- In the Resident Information Handbook, there is a "leaving home" suggested checklist. Available at: www.breakerswesthoa.com

BWA HURRICANE/DISASTER PROTOCOL...PREPARATION & RECOVERY:

Last summer, BWA, prepared the above referenced document. It is very informative and encompasses all aspects of preparing for an approaching storm. It is available on-line at www.breakerswesthoa.com

CONDITION OF HOMES:

During the past year, The Colony Board of Directors has worked closely with Breakers West Master Association to insure that each homeowner in The Colony is maintaining their home as required by the documents. We hope you have noticed significant changes, with more to come.

LANDSCAPING REMINDERS...

Homeowners who install new landscaping in the front or rear of their homes are responsible for the maintenance of the new plantings; this includes previous homeowner's plantings. L.A. Landscape is under contract to maintain the front yards, and common areas only. Private landscaping is not part of their contract.

Homes that have overgrown plants and trees that are sweeping their neighbors' homes must make arrangements for them to be cut back.

Every other Wednesday, L.A. Landscape and a Board Member ride the neighbor to identify issues in need of repair. If you have an issue, you are welcome to step out and let us know, or call GRS to open a work order and it will be reviewed. You will receive a follow up communication.

DOG WALKING AND CLEAN UP...

All dogs, regardless of size, must be walked on a lead AND MUST BE CLEANED UP AFTER.

GARBAGE COLLECTION:

Wednesday, all garbage and re-cycle bins

Saturday, garbage only

Please note: garbage must be placed in garbage pails. Plastic bags are not acceptable. They are unsightly as well as very attractive to animals.

SPEED LIMIT...

The speed limit pertains to all roadways in Breakers West....25 mph, especially at the exit of The Colony.

GARBAGE PICK UP.....

Be sure to shred or destroy all personal papers before putting in recycle bin.

MAYACOO LAKES COUNTRY CLUB MAINTENANCE CLEANUP....

For those of you living along the 6th, 7th, and 8th holes of Mayacoo Lakes Country Club, often times there is an urge to remove trees or bushes which are blocking your view of the golf course or are shading your yard or just look unsightly.

However, while such may be the case, these trees and bushes are the property of Mayacoo and may not be removed without the written permission of The Board of Directors of Mayacoo. Recently, we were advised that many trees had been removed from the 6th and 7th holes without such written permission.

Hence, should any of you wish to remove any trees or bushes going forward, we ask you to prepare a written request to Mayacoo Lakes with a copy to Breakers West Association so that there is no question regarding obtaining proper permission. Further, so as to avoid any misunderstanding, we ask you to tack or tie a colorful piece of ribbon on each tree or bush you intend to remove.

Mayacoo Lakes Country Club has agreed to start a weekly cleanup of the ground cover on homes on the backside of Heathridge, Lytham and Baybury. They will devote one day a week to the cleanup.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

THE COLONY NEIGHBORHOOD PARTY.....

Was held at Mayacoo Lakes Country Club on Sunday, April 3rd, 2016. Over 80 homeowners attended and a good time was had by all.....

ANNUAL MEETING....HELD MARCH 10TH, 2016

THE COLONY BOARD MEMBERS:

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