

NOVEMBER & DECEMBER



HERITAGE ISLES

GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

Letter from the President

Ron Sorensen HIGCC HOA President

Hello again Heritage Isles!!!!

By the time this reaches your mailbox we will be well into the holiday season and with a little luck, we will have dodged a serious hurricane, phew!

It's a busy social season and there are our usual events: Thanksgiving morning Turkey Trot, the Golf Cart Parades and our annual USMC Toys for Tots toy drive. See the events calendar for times. The HOA is partnering with the CDD Social Director and will be providing light hors d'oeuvres before each golf cart parade.

In case you missed the email blast, our brand new pickleball courts are open for sign up and use and our resident Tennis/Pickleball instructor will be offering instructional clinics for those who would like to learn the game. Reservations for court time can be made at the athletic center desk.

This publication usually addresses issues that are HOA related and does not cross over and delve into issues that are the responsibility of the CDD. However, both the CDD and HOA want nothing less than Heritage Isles be the very best community in New Tampa and work very closely together with that goal in mind. With that being said, and with the holidays upon us, let's get right into the issues that continue to be problems.

In no particular order:

1. Speeding
2. Parking
3. Gate Issues
4. Speeding

Nearly every HOA meeting has had a resident reach out to the board and ask what the HOA is doing about speeding in our community. The responsibility to make any changes to control speeding in H I is solely the responsibility of the CDD board. The complaints have been heard and the CDD board is investigating the implementation of traffic calming devices (aka speed bumps). The first phase will be on Sandy Pointe from Isleworth Ave to Plantation Bay as well as on Plantation Bay from Sandy Pt to the Grand Isle Dr.

Parking

Again, a monthly topic at HOA meetings. The HOA board has explained that parking is a hybrid issue. Through the Declaration of Covenants, the HOA sets the parking rules and uses the allowable statues for HOA governance to enforce the rules. Simply put, what is currently in place is not getting the job done and letter after letter of violations is costly to the community and not getting the desired results. The CDD board is now in discussions with the HOA to work out a plan whereby repeat offenders will ultimately be TOWED at the vehicle owner's expense. This will not be done at the whim of any member of either board and there will be ample warning and an opportunity to come into compliance. As of now there is no formal procedure, but when there is it will be communicated clearly to the residents.

Gates

Let me say that countless hours have been spent by Heritage Isles staff and CDD board members going back and forth with Envera to get up to speed. Envera's upper management is now addressing problems more promptly. What is being planned for the near term is that the hours of operation are going to increase to 12 hours/day, most likely from 6 PM to 6 AM.

There is a disruptive and disturbing issue that is making entry to the community making it more difficult than it needs to be. Over ten percent of our residents have not registered with H I to receive their allotted FREE RFID tags for their windshield. Their preference appears to be to stop at the kiosk and communicate with Envera to gain entry. Obviously, this causes unnecessary backups at the Kiosk for legitimate guests. **IF YOU HAVE NOT GOTTEN YOUR WINDSHIELD RFID TAG, PLEASE DO SO NOW at the athletic center desk!!!!**

So, in keeping with all three points as outlined above, the CDD will hold an open forum at the December 3rd workshop so that the residents can have any questions and/or concerns addressed.

Finally, in the way of HOA housekeeping please be mindful of our parking rules. Realizing that it's party season, make sure that all emergency vehicles can pass through the community as efficiently as possible. Help you guests understand the rules. Odd calendar day odd house number side of the street parking and visa versa. May be worth mentioning in an invitation.

Both the Heritage Isles CDD and HOA boards want to wish everyone a Happy Holiday season as well as a Happy Healthy New year.

See something – Say something

Tampa PD non-emergency 813-231-6130 Heritage Isles nighttime security 813-385-4540



"Autumn reminds us that change is beautiful—and that the comfort of community makes every season richer. When we gather, even the crispest days feel warm."

Community Update And Reminders

Wildlife Alert

A large Bobcat was spotted in broad daylight in Nassau Pointe. For everyone's safety, please keep children and pets close and remain alert while outdoors.

Neighborhood Safety

Please remember to keep your doors and vehicles securely locked. There have been reports of suspicious individuals in the area! Let's stay vigilant and look out for one another.

Holiday Decorating Guidelines

As the festive season approaches, please take a moment to review our community's Code of Standards for holiday decorations. Staying in compliance enables us to maintain a welcoming and respectful environment for all.

Be a Voice in Your Community

Want to help shape the future of our neighborhood? Consider joining a board committee. Your voice matters, and your involvement helps keep our community vibrant and inclusive.

Nominate a Community Champion

Do you know someone making a positive impact in our neighborhood? We'd love to recognize them! Reach out to a board member to nominate a Community Champion. We're eager to celebrate those who go above and beyond.

Check In on a Neighbor, Show You Care

If you haven't seen a neighbor in a while, consider checking in on them. A simple gesture can make a meaningful difference—it's comforting to know someone cares.

New Community Residents

Welcome to the Neighborhood! To all our new neighbors, welcome! Here's to new friendships, shared moments, and a wonderful journey ahead. We're delighted you're here and look forward to having you join our community. We look forward to getting to know you!

HOA Monthly Meetings

Join Us for the HOA Board Meeting! Connect with neighbors, share your thoughts, and hear what's new in the community. Meetings are held every 3rd Thursday at 6:30 PM. We'd love to see you there!

It takes all of us to keep our neighborhood thriving—let's do it together.



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Important contact info and hours of operation

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4/1-10/1 8 AM-10 PM 11/1-3/31 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM

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9:00 AM - 9:00 PM Daily

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9:00 AM - 4:00 PM Mon-Fri Maria Senica, P.M.

Important websites:

HIGCC HOA heritageisleshoatampa.com
HIGCC CDD heritageislescdd.org
City of Tampa tampa.gov
City of Tampa Utilities tampa.gov/city-of-tampa-utilities
Hillsborough County hcfi.gov



- November 3,** CDD Workshop - Library 6:30 PM
- November 8,** Toys for Tots start – Clubhouse and Athletic Center Lobbies
- November 15,** CDD Board Mtg – Library 6:30 PM
- November 24,** HOA Board Mtg – Athl Ctr 7 PM
- November 27,** Annual Turkey Trot - Club House 9 AM



- December 3,** CDD Workshop - Library 6:30 PM
- December 12,** Golf Cart Parade - Golf Pro Shop 6:30 PM
- December 6,** Tots for Tots ends
- December 17,** CDD Board Meeting - Library 6:30 PM
- December 19,** Golf Cart Parade - Golf Pro Shop 6:30 PM



Veterans Day

In the USA, Veterans Day annually falls on November 11. This day is the anniversary of the signing of the armistice, which ended the World War I hostilities between the Allied nations and Germany in 1918. Veterans are thanked for their services to the United States on Veterans Day.

Observance

Veterans Day is intended to honor and thank all military personnel who served the United States in all wars, particularly living veterans. It is marked by parades and church services and in many places the American flag is hung at half mast. A period of silence lasting two minutes may be held at 11am.

Veterans Day is officially observed on November 11. However, if it falls on a week day, many communities hold their celebrations on the weekend closest to this date. This is to enable more people to attend and participate in the events

History

On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918 an armistice between Germany and the Allied nations came into effect. On November 11, 1919, Armistice Day was commemorated for the first time. In 1919, President Wilson proclaimed the day should be "filled with solemn pride in the heroism of those who died in the country's service and with gratitude for the victory".

In 1926, the United States Congress officially recognized the end of World War I and declared that the anniversary of the armistice should be commemorated with prayer and thanksgiving. The Congress also requested that the president should "issue a proclamation calling upon the officials to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on November 11 and inviting the people of the United States to observe the day in schools and churches, or other suitable places, with appropriate ceremonies of friendly relations with all other peoples."

An Act (52 Stat. 351; 5 U. S. Code, Sec. 87a) was approved on May 13, 1938, which made November 11 in each year a legal holiday, known as Armistice Day. This day was originally intended to honor veterans of World War I. A few years later, World War II required the largest mobilization of service men in the history of the United States and the American forces fought in Korea. In 1954, the veterans service organizations urged Congress to change the word "Armistice" to "Veterans". Congress approved this change and on June 1, 1954, November 11 became a day to honor all American veterans, where ever and whenever they had served.

In 1968 the Uniforms Holiday Bill (Public Law 90-363 (82 Stat. 250)) made an attempt to move Veterans Day to the fourth Monday of October. The bill took effect in 1971. However, this caused a lot of confusion as many states disagreed with this decision and continued to hold Veterans Day activities on November 11. In 1975, President Gerald R. Ford signed Public Law 94-97 (89 Stat. 479), which stated that Veterans Day would again be observed on November 11 from 1978 onwards. Veterans Day is still observed on November 11.

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