



River Vista Newsletter

Greeting from your 2019 RVHOA Board of Directors:

Thanks to everyone that helped prepare for and participated in the Annual Meeting on Feb 5, 2019. We hope everyone that attended enjoyed the opportunity to socialize, learn about the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) activities, the dinner and dessert, and participating in RVHOA business.

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Marilyn Manning

Retired after many years of municipal government work in Michigan and moved to Florida in 2009. A penchant for waterfront property led her to the attractive River Vista Community and friendly neighborhood residents.

Joelle Kalfon move from Paris to Atlanta with her family in 2007. She works as a travel agent for Club Med and is eager to move to her new house. She will split her time between Atlanta and River Vista for the next couple of years and plans to be more long time resident in the future.

Darlene West

moved to River Vista in 2000, from Annapolis, Md. She loves living in Florida and in River Vista. Her hope for the 2019 RVHOA BOD is to recreate the sense of community that she had enjoyed in previous years.

Cecile Renna

worked in the fashion industry in New York City for over 30 years before relocating to River Vista. As a french native, she hopes to strengthen the relationship among our american and international residents.

David Carlson is a graduate from Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine and has practiced along the Treasure Coast for over 15 years. He volunteers for Florida Oceanographic Society and serves on the Citizen Advisory Committee for the Indian River Lagoon Council National Estuary Program. You may see him around the community in a 1930 Model Deluxe Towncar.

Meetings are being moved to 1st Tuesday, of the month, unless specified

Standing Committees : Membership for the following committees will be confirmed or established during the March 2019 RVHOA BOD meeting.

Architectural Review Board:

This committee (Cecile Renna, Kirke Howes, Vesta Stephenson) is responsible for approving or disapproving all architectural, landscaping, and proposed modifications including fences and other structural improvements and for ensuring compliance with the RVHOA architectural and use restrictions and Guidelines. If you have questions about By-Law compliance or plan to build or make any improvements to your house, please contact any of the ARB members.

Welcome: This committee (Dave Carlson and April Newhouse) greets new neighbors and acknowledges RV owners illnesses or loss of loved ones.

Compliance Committee:

This committee (Gene McDonald, Pam Parrish and Will Biebush) is responsible for hearing home owner appeals for fines levied for non-compliance of the RVHOA architectural and use restrictions and Guidelines.

Social: This committee plans RV social activities. We are looking for new members.

Water Quality: Dave Carlson keeps us informed on the quality of our water in the St Lucie River North Fork and Indian River Lagoon and provides insight into initiatives to clean up our water.

Beautification: Monitors the landscaping that we planted at the entrance/ along the median and puts up Christmas Decorations. We are looking for new members for this committee.

Ad-hoc: Special committees created when situations arise. Two ad-hoc committees formed last year were the New Owner/Renter Evaluation Committee and Property Manager Committee. The 2019 RVHOA BOD will address the recommendations from these committees in 2019.

Please show your support for the new RVHOA BOD by attending the RVHOA BOD meeting on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at the Botanical Gardens.

Meet Your Neighbors: Barbara Coslett

Barbara Coslett is our longest resident owner. She and her husband, Steve, bought their RV lot from a plat on the wall in 1990 from the developer, Strathmore. There was no road in 1990. They built their home and moved to River Vista in September 1992. Steve was the first RVHOA BOD President after the developer turned the responsibilities over to the RV Home Owners. One of the first things that Steve did was establish a road fund account, separate from our Operating Account, that was immensely appreciated when we needed the capital to replace both of our Main Drain Pipes. Steve passed away in May 2012, but Barbara decided to stay in River Vista. Barbara's son and daughter-in-law, Bill and Maria, live within 5 miles. Barbara also has a daughter that lives in Boiling Springs, PA with her family. Barbara keeps herself busy planning social activities with Floridian friends and keeping in touch with remote friends.

Hazardous Waste Collection Day:

Time: 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Date: Saturday, March 23, 2019

Location: Public Works Facility

Address: 450 SW Thornhill Drive

Please contact KPSLB for more information at 772-873-6312 or KPSLB@cityofpsl.com.

This event makes it easy for residents to get rid of their unwanted household chemicals and hazardous waste by providing a convenient place and time where the materials can be handed over to experts, free of charge, for proper disposal.

Citizen Survey:

Date: February 19 - March 5

Be a voice in the future of our city!

Go to www.cityofpsl.com and take the citizen survey.

Monthly River Nights:

Time: 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Date: March 14, 2019

and every second Thursday monthly
Location: Adjacent to the botanical gardens

Live music, cash bar, and camp fire!



Community Yard sales: Time: 7:00 am - 2:00 pm

Date: Saturday, March 9, 2019

Location: John B. Parks Sports Complex

Address: 1302 Virginia Ave., Fort Pierce.

Those wishing to rent a booth at the Community Yard sale are reminded that no food items are allowed to be sold. Unwanted items are not to be left behind. All spaces must be cleared. If unwanted items are left behind, the cost for spots will increase. Yard sale booths must be set up the day of the event; not the night before. Additionally, all spots must be cleared by 2 p.m. Payment to participate in the yard sale is cash only; unless a vendor prepays at the Parks office prior to the day of the yard sale.

Lecture: *What Goes Around, Comes Around; Where Water and Health Meet Edith Widder.*

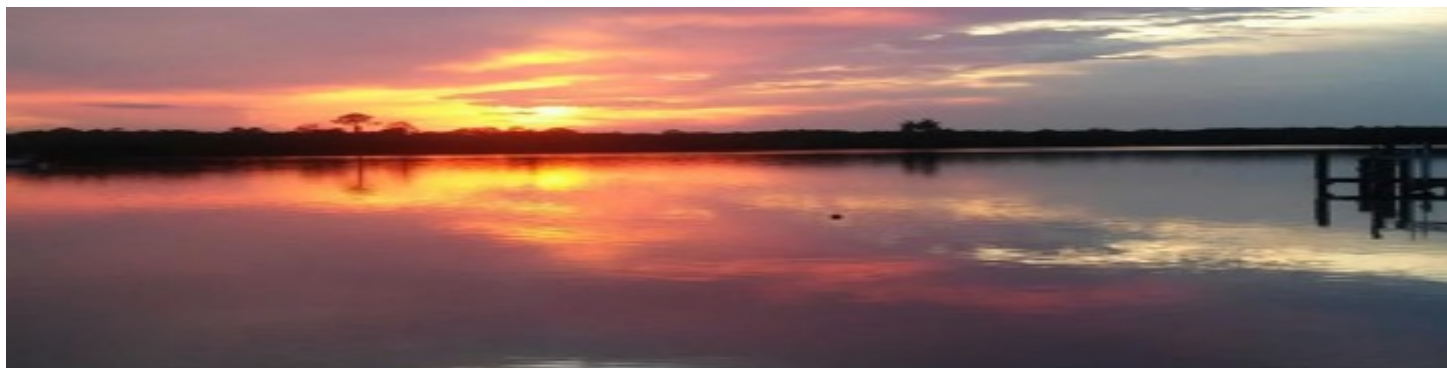
Time: 6:30 pm

Date: Friday, March 1, 2019

Location: Eco Center

Address: 5400 NE St James Drive

Florida's recent toxic algae blooms raise potential health concerns not only for local wildlife, but people as well. It turns out that what we put into our waterways can return to us in unexpected ways. Dr Edith Widder, founder of Ocean Research & Conservation Association, highlights her current research and presents strategies that we can use to improve the health of our waters.



Our Community

Annual Dinner

We held our annual Dinner on February 5Th at the Botanical Gardens.

Thank you very much for all volunteering their time to set up the place.



Also special thanks To April, Pam and Mary Alice for making the centerpiece for each table.

Be Neighbor Friendly: If you know your neighbor is gone and you see newspapers on their driveway, please move them so they are out of sight. If your neighbors foliage is infringing on your property, please talk with them to see if you can help them either find someone to trim or help them trim. If you have animals, please pick up their waste when walking them. If you know your neighbor is sick or in the hospital or if you have a new neighbor, please let the River Vista Welcoming Committee know(Dave 772-359-8327 or April 772-337-2654).

Water Quality Report 2/18/2019:



The water in Kitching Cove is tested weekly and results are sent to the Florida Oceanographic Society where they are integrated into a large database monitoring the St. Lucie River and Indian River Lagoon.

These results are published every Saturday in the local newspaper. Without Lake Okeechobee discharges the water has been very good supporting mullet activity, jellyfish and even some dolphins. The pelicans have been very busy feasting on surface fish.

There has been significant reorganization of the South Florida

Water Management District and a strong movement to change the Army Corps of Engineers operating schedule of the lake. Many factors determine if the discharges must occur so these new events may decrease the threat of these devastating discharges. Stay tuned for upcoming news.

Dave Carlson

Newsletter Content Ideas:

If you have any ideas for information you'd like to see in the RVHOA Newsletter, please email Darlene at darlene.RVHOABOD@gmail.com

Tips for Rust Stain Removal:

This is a real nuisance in our community with respect to irrigation wells. There is some truth to the fact that the deeper the well, the less iron and more sulfur (rotten egg smell). So as a homeowner you can do the following:

-Purchase a product called IRON OUT that will remove these stains. This product should be used with care. Read the precautions and understand them. Spray the product, wait a few seconds and rinse. It works well for mailboxes and small stains on the house.

For larger areas you may need to use a garden sprayer.

-Consult with your irrigation specialist for ideas that may work.