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Be on the lookout for our 2nd mailing later this month containing your ballot for Board member elections. *Pay special attention to the President's Letter in the October mailing as it will include new information regarding the payment of dues next year.* Please return your ballot to the clubhouse office by the designated date next month.



PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Submitted by
Judee Coyle

Welcome to October! It's the month for Columbus Day and Halloween. Maybe this year we'll see a few more "trick or treaters" than last year: and they'll all be wearing "masks" of some sort.

Around Somerset's neighborhood - watch out for new "mamas" who are parading their fawns out from the green belts bordering Sandy Hill and Silent Brook. Perhaps we should all slow down a bit and be on the lookout.

If you're at the clubhouse take a glance around - Kay Meyers and "crew" have been busy decorating for fall - lobby - library and even outside - all look great.

Coming up soon - power washing of the deck and walkways - all areas. When completed, the pool deck will be re-stained. Look for an announcement of dates as the pool area will be closed when deck is re-stained.

If you would like to run for a seat on our board, please submit a short resume' to the office on or before Monday, October 11th; 12:00 noon.

Have a good month and thanks for keeping Somerset "looking good"!



Architectural Review Committee

by Alex Chiaro

Happy October Somerset! Architectural Review forms are available at the clubhouse as well as our website. When painting, please be sure to come to the office and look at the approved color book. Exact colors (with color number) that is to be used for the house, trim and/or driveway must be listed on the form along with the current roof color of the home.

The committee meets each third Thursday of the month if required. We have a wonderful community here in Somerset. A big thank you to all of our residents that have kept our village so beautiful by having their homes freshly painted and neatly landscaped.

Happy Autumn everyone!



Semi-Annual General Membership Meeting

Wednesday,

November 17, 2021 7:00pm

Please remember to return your proxies on or before Monday, October 18, 2021.



From the Treasurer

*Liz Norfolk
Treasurer/Web Designer*

At the September Somerset Board of Directors meeting, I presented the proposed 2022 budget and recommended that we maintain our current assessment (dues) amount at \$65 a month.

In 2021 we increased the monthly assessment (dues) by \$5 a month to cover the increase costs from Duke Entergy, Teco Gas and areas brought to our attention by county inspections. Additionally, we re-piped the clubhouse and had the interior and exterior of the building painted and purchased two new treadmills for our active community members.

Lately our 35-year-old underground water system has brought its own set of challenges. If necessary, our current reserve levels are ample to cover these additional costs.

By mid-October you will be receiving a copy of the proposed 2022 budget that will be presented at the November Homeowners meeting on November 17 th.

Starting in 2022 Somerset HOA will no longer provide coupon books. A large majority of homeowners pay annually, while some pay quarterly and still others take advantage of autopay through their bank.

For those who depend on the coupon book, a clippable coupon will be in each month's Chatterbox for your use. We will make available a sheet of coupons. Please contact the office if you wish one.

Thank You for being the best part of Somerset - Our Homeowners.

Building Committee

by Francine McCluskey



We have done many things over the last year which I have written about previously.

This time I will talk about the beauty of our pool area and all the wonderful wildlife you can see while sitting/splashing there. Right now the pool is at the perfect temperature. There is just the smallest cool breeze that sometimes blows in the morning and afternoon. The hawks are flirting around the sky, the turkeys are running around with abandon seemingly segregated into age categories and the Sand Hill cranes seem to be especially successful in raising the new crop of chicks. We have noticed an increase in the butterfly population and unfortunately the love bugs have returned, right on schedule. The dragonflies are showing more of a rainbow in their wing colors.

It is a quiet haven from so much of the noise we are frequently bombarded with. I hope you all can take a brief respite and enjoy the beauty of this oasis.

Grounds Committee

by Jose Castillo



The Grounds Committee would like to remind homeowners that all community landscaper con-

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Jose Castillo, *Director*

Clubhouse Amenities

For your convenience and enjoyment, remember all the great facilities that Somerset of Williamsburg has to offer you.

- Pool & Spa 7am-Dusk
- Tennis Crts 7am-Dusk
- Boccie Crts 7am-Dusk
- Shuffleboard 7am-Dusk
- Game Room, Library & Ball Room 7am-10pm

*Policies: No children under 16 unless accompanied by an adult.
All guests must be accompanied by a Somerset Homeowner. No guest of other guests are permitted.*

WHOA REPRESENTATIVE

by Joe Grelish

Friends and Neighbors,

At the meeting with Orange County District 1 Commissioner, Wilson, on Thursday, September 2nd, the following topics were very professionally presented and all questions answered.

- Sheriff's office - Overview of Street Racing task force and local Patrolling information.
- Universal traffic + Roadway and entry improvements.
- Traffic Engineering - roadways - re-done and traffic light / sidewalks.
- Safe neighborhoods and the Children + Family Services + Code Enforcement.
- Helicopter issues and concerns.
- OCPS buses: Concerns of speeding and bus shelters for students.

The links are provided below.

Here are the presentation notes:

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1dMyoahovm-Vlx0_Zv7T5lKasWD3e_d3rfqejXvPwgU/edit?usp=sharing

The video is now on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCTt-3pHtMfK3Kj8Q2mCUUNw>

There is also an Orange County Word Document with all of the MEETING NOTES taken at the meeting however, it could not be inserted into this newsletter, due to space limitations.

Email me at:

jgrelish@icloud.com if you want a copy of this Word Document.

Williamsburg Homeowners Association (WHOA) Board of Directors

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Jeffrey Young, Treasurer
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STORMY WEATHER? DRIVE SAFELY

As fall approaches, wet weather may increase, which can make driving on slick, rainy roads treacherous. Follow this AAA-recommended advice for staying safe:

- **Plan ahead.** Check the weather and driving conditions before getting behind the wheel.
- **Be patient.** Traffic will be slower when rain is falling. Add in extra time to reach your destination so you don't have to rush.
- **Turn headlights on.** This doesn't just help you see the road better-it makes you more visible to other drivers. Don't use emergency flashers or high beams, though.
- **Drive slowly.** Even at 35 mph, your tires can lose contact with the road, causing your vehicle to start hydroplaning. To stay in control, slow down, avoid sharp turns, and drive in the tracks of vehicles ahead of you.
- **Don't use cruise control.** Cruise control in wet conditions can increase the risk of hydroplaning.
- **Keep a safe distance.** Allow extra space for you to stop if a vehicle ahead of you stops or swerves suddenly. Slow down early before coming to intersections or stop signs.
- **Pull over when necessary.** If the rain gets so fierce that you can't see ahead of your car, pull off the road and turn on your emergency flashers. Wait for the rain to subside.
- **Eliminate distractions.** As always, don't text, talk, or do anything that takes your attention from the road.



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MEETINGS

LRVCA Board Meeting
 Monday, October 4
 Normally First Monday @
 6:30pm
 Valencia Water Control
 Tuesday, October 12

Lawn Service Days Thursdays

Weather permitting



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MEETINGS/ACTIVITIES

LTVC Board Meeting
 Monday, October 11 at 6:30pm

SUNSHINE LADIES
*Submitted: Barbara Lawrence,
 Sunshine Ladies Coordinator*

Where: Lime Tree Club every Friday from 12:30 to 2:30 pm. Come join us for crochet & knitting and a great time. The ladies are working on projects for the community. All of

the beautiful handmade projects go to: Jewish War Veterans for VA Hospitals, Give Kids the World, AP & WP Hospitals, and Dr. Phillips Hospital.

Thanks to all the ladies for their support and help. However, we can always use more help! We are always in need of 3ply & 4ply yarn. Donations can be dropped off at the Club. Should you have any questions, please call me at 407-351-3551 or Barbara Lawrence at 407-363-1731.



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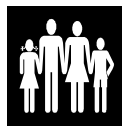
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Lawn Care

Lawn care every week, weather permitting

Williamsburg Discussion Group Montpelier

We meet weekly on Tuesdays from 10:30am until Noon. Come, listen and learn; bring your best ideas. Meet your charming neighbors and join in the fun.



Kid's Club Montpelier

Kids from all of the communities, up to age 13, are welcome to join Jo Bladykas last Saturday from 10am-12pm for games, crafts and more. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please contact the Montpelier Office at 407-352-0385 if you have any questions.



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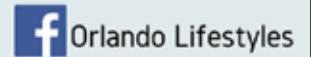
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5397 Watervista Dr	Waterview Townhomes	1,649	\$335,000	3	2	2001	09/01/2021
10818 William & Mary Ct	Windmill Pointe	1,254	\$270,500	2	2	1980	08/30/2021
4827 Gardenbrook Ln	Green Briar Village	2,016	\$316,000	3	2	1981	09/01/2021
10501 Lockhart Pl	Lake Ridge Village	1,616	\$284,000	3	2	1982	08/13/2021
4744 Gardenbrook Ln	Green Briar Village	1,576	\$315,000	3	2	1981	08/09/2021
12142 Dickenson Ln	Deer Creek Village Sec 5	1,602	\$354,000	3	2	1990	08/31/2021
10247 Manila Bay	Montpelier Vlg Ph 1	1,884	\$355,000	3	2	1980	08/20/2021
11617 Peachstone Ln	Parkview Pointe Sec 02	1,952	\$360,000	3	2	1991	08/24/2021
10131 Musket Ln	Montpelier Village Ph 02	1,268	\$262,000	2	2	1979	08/11/2021
10708 Westbrook Dr	Windmill Pointe 8/137 Lot 24B	1,312	\$195,000	2	2	1980	08/20/2021
10706 Windsor Pl	Windmill Pointe	1,554	\$315,000	3	2	1980	08/13/2021
10424 Manassas Cir	Montpelier Village Ph 01	1,526	\$290,000	3	2	1979	09/08/2021
5001 Watervista Dr	Waterview TwnHms Sec 1 Ph 3	1,885	\$392,000	3	2	1996	08/09/2021



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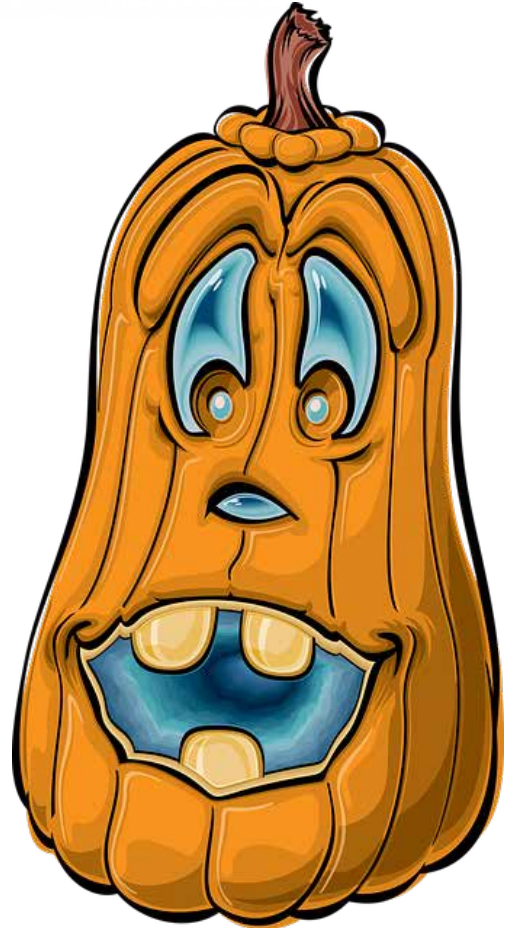
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24/31 <i>Halloween</i>	25	26	27	 28 1pm . Craft Group		29	30

BOD Meeting
 Thursday, October 21, 7pm
ARC Meeting
 Thursday, October 7, 6pm



Book Club Discussion Group

On Monday, October 11th at 1:00 pm we will meet to discuss **See Me** by Nicholas Sparks. (Fiction)



Craft Club Parkview Pointe

Every Thursday at 1:00 pm we gather in the Parkview Pointe Game Room. We socialize. We knit, crochet, embroider, circular loom knitting, etc. We work on our own projects and also items - baby blankets, hats, etc. - to do-

nate to Winnie / Arnold Palmer Hospital (Creations From the Heart). We're happy to share what we know and welcome you to share as well! Join us!



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MEETINGS

C&R Committee Mtg
 Monday, October 4, 10am
Board of Directors Meeting
 Monday, October 11, 7pm
ARC Meeting (If needed)
 Thursday, October 21, 6pm

LAWN SERVICE

Lawn Service -Tuesdays & Wednesdays - Watch for schedule changes due to the end of the summer growing season.



SOMERSET VILLAGE MAIN ROOM RENTALS

Somerset Village is NOT taking any reservations at this time.



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MEETINGS

Board Meeting
 Tuesday, October 12, 6:30pm

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Please volunteer your time & talents to make your club, home and your community sparkle. Volunteer on the board, a committee or for clubhouse clean-up.

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  Yard Waste

GROUNDS... CONTINUED

cerns should be communicated officially to the committee through a landscape concern form available at the front office and on our HOA website. Homeowners should not approach the landscapers directly while they are servicing the community. Going through the official lines of communication helps ensure a proper paper trail and accounting of all community concerns. It also ensures concerns go directly to the landscaping management versus a specific employee.

Covenants & Restrictions Committee

by Judee Coyle



An increasing number of driveways in Somerset need assistance. The cement on some are over forty (40) years old. Even the last phase of homes built here, have driveways over thirty (30). For humans, not bad, but for cement - not good. Pressure washing no longer works - it still looks

like it needs cleaning. Unfortunately, what it really needs is staining.

Each company (paint) has its own version of concrete stain for driveways. Sherwin Williams has provided the HOA with the names of its products. They are: *H&C Heavy Shield Concrete Stain/Paint* or *Dura Plate 289 Concrete Stain/Paint*.

Please keep in mind all paint companies have their own. The choice is yours. *However - color is important- if your home has brown tones - use a brown stain - if your home has gray tones - use a gray stain. If your house has yellow tones or green tones you can use brown OR gray!

Remember it's always best to check with the office and you must fill out an ARC form before proceeding.

Keep in mind - if you receive a C & R Committee letter concerning your driveway, it may now say stain and not pressure wash. Feel free to try pressure washing but in most cases - concrete stain is the answer.

Thanks for your cooperation.

Columbus Day

Columbus Day first became an official state holiday in Colorado in 1906, and became a federal holiday in the United States in 1937, though people have celebrated Columbus's voyage since the colonial period. In 1792, New York City and other U.S. cities celebrated the 300th anniversary of his landing in the New World. President Benjamin Harrison called upon the people of the United States to celebrate Columbus Day on the 400th anniversary of the event. During the four hundredth anniversary in 1892, teachers, preachers, poets and politicians used Columbus Day rituals to teach ideals of patriotism. These patriotic rituals were framed around themes such as support for war, citizenship boundaries, the importance of loyalty to the nation, and celebrating social progress.

Many Italian-Americans observe Columbus Day as a celebration of their heritage, the first occasion being in New York City on October 12, 1866. Columbus Day was first enshrined as a legal holiday in the United States through the

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A FAREWELL TO TOILETS!

My name is Jim Secretan. I have done plumbing in Somerset Village, as well as many other neighborhoods in South Orlando for many years. It has been my pleasure to serve you in your plumbing needs and I thank you for your faith and trust. I have always been humbled by your loyalty. Many of you have become friends over the years. I will miss the camaraderie and the joy it has given me!

It is now time for me to retire and start my next chapter of life with my wife, Rosie. I wish you all Peace, Good Health and Laughter! Most of all...a lifetime of minimal plumbing repairs!!

GOD Bless you all!

Jim Secretan

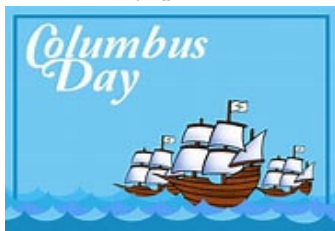
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COLUBUS DAY CONTINUED

lobbying of Angelo Noce, a first generation Italian, in Denver. The first statewide Columbus Day holiday was proclaimed by Colorado governor Jesse F. McDonald in 1905, and it was made a statutory holiday in 1907. In April 1934, as a result of lobbying by the Knights of Columbus and New York City Italian leader Generoso Pope, Congress and President Franklin Delano Roosevelt made October 12 a federal holiday under the name Columbus Day.

Since 1970, the holiday has been fixed to the second Monday in October, coincidentally the same day as Thanksgiving in neighboring Canada (which was fixed to that date in 1959). It is generally observed nowadays by banks, the bond market, the U.S. Postal Service, other federal agencies, most state government offices, many businesses, and most school districts. Some businesses and some stock exchanges remain open, also some states and municipalities abstain from observing the holiday. The traditional date of the holiday also adjoins the anniversary of the United States Navy (founded October 13, 1775), and thus both occasions are customarily observed by the Navy (and usually the Marine Corps as well) with either a 72 or 96-hour liberty period.



Anyone Here a Doctor?

We heard about a man who collapsed at a busy local intersection; the August heat got to him. A woman rushed to help him; she knelt down to loosen the unfortunate man's collar when another man came out of the crowd and pushed her aside, saying, "It's all right, honey, I've had a two week course in dealing with medical emergencies." The woman stood up and watched as he took the other man's pulse and prepared to give him CPR.

At this point she tapped him on the shoulder and said, "When you get to the part about calling a doctor, I'm already here."

LAWN SERVICE

Tuesday & Wednesday; weather permitting.

BEST WISHES FOR A SPEEDY RECOVERY...



Get Well Wishes are extended to anyone that is under the weather.

WELCOME NEW HOMEOWNER

Darron Acceptance Group
of Silent Brook Dr.

Anthony & Nicholas Pangione
of Scotty Dr.

PEOPLE OF SOMERSET

ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you are celebrating a birthday or anniversary and we haven't mentioned it, please let the office know and we will be happy to include it in the Chatterbox.

Best wishes to all of you celebrating a special day!

October

Birthdays

Wendy Lewis	1
Ron Huber	13
Ken Lanthorne	14
Greg Echevarria	17
Linda Lopez	21
Isabella Isitoro	26
Santiago Lopez	31

Anniversary Greetings

Lee & Ann Alexander	12
Randall & Mary Sisulak	22

GARBAGE COLLECTION DAYS

THURSDAYS
GARBAGE ONLY
(GREEN LID)



FRIDAYS
RECYCLING
(BLUE LID)
& YARD WASTE (IN YOUR OWN CONTAINERS, BAGS OR BUNDLES)
LARGE ITEMS MAY NOW BE PLACED OUT FOR COLLECTION ON FRIDAYS, NO CALL IS NECESSARY.



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