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UPCOMING MEETINGS

Join Us at Riverview Club

ACC Committee August 5th 6:00pm

HOA Board Meeting August 8th 6:00pm

Guest Speaker- Lou Greco



FROM THE PRESIDENTS PODIUM The great philosopher, Plato, once said, "Prefer diligence before idleness, unless you esteem rust above brightness." Our July HOA Board meeting ran a bit late, but it was well worth spending the extra time for us to do our due diligence. We had a long list of complex items on our agenda and we used the opportunity to thoroughly discuss each issue.

We recently received a summary of the new legislation that went into effect on July 1, 2024. Our attorney, Summer Reed, from Cobb and Gonzalez, was on hand to provide the membership, the Board, and the Management Team with an update on how the new legislation impacts our association and its members. Our association will be implementing the new requirements in the days ahead.

Work was approved for one of our most concerning drainage issues as well as for necessary repairs to the dam at the end of North Holiday Lake. The good news about the dam is that we learned that it was built well, is designed to last 100 years and that we are roughly midway through its lifespan.

I am extremely proud of the productive discussion that we had regarding the various pool resurfacing project bids that we've received to date. We also discussed the fine details regarding our new Rules and Regulations Policy and the pros and cons of eliminating the coupon books in 2025. The board unanimously agreed to table all three of those topics until the August meeting so that we can get more information to best inform our final conclusions.

Our Community Association Manager (CAM) provided a comprehensive report which included an update on the new white vinyl pool fence, our new pool servicing company and the due diligence that she did on the canopy project to save the association more than \$3,000.

For our new Sabal Estate homeowners, Phase 1 is approaching completion and HOA dues will begin on October 1, 2024.

Our CAM also reminded homeowners to do their own due diligence regarding safety by making sure that their nightly routine includes locking their homes and vehicles, turning porch lights on, and reporting any suspicious activity to law enforcement.

Speaking of our Community Association Manager, I want to congratulate Shanna Fredrickson on her one year anniversary with the Shores! Her dedication to this community, hard work and vision amaze us every day. We are so grateful to have her at the helm! I will tell anyone who asks me about the Shores, that the due diligence that the Board conducted in hiring her resulted in the very best decision that we've made so far!

Our activities committee volunteers are starting to plan for our Annual Craft Fair on Sunday, October 27th from 12-4 p.m. at the Riverview Club. If you are interested in either volunteering to help with this activity or interested in renting a table, please contact the HOA office.

Preferring progress over stagnation, action over delay and brightness over rust, we will continue to do the due diligence work necessary to move the Shores forward. I wish you all a great summer!

Mary Jenson, HOA Board President

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St. Augustine Shores Service Corporation

HOA Payment options that make sense.

As a homeowner in St. Augustine Shores, there is an HOA fee that must be paid on the first of each month towards the Master Association.

If you live in a Condo Community, you are required to pay Association dues to your Condo Community <u>and</u> the Master Association.

Many residents don't understand why the HOA charges a monthly fee.

Think of it like a big blanket that covers the entire community. Every owner pays into the Association and the income is pooled together to help pay the Association's monthly operating expenses.

Your monthly dues cover expenses such as street lighting, storm water drainage repairs, landscaping of common grounds, pond & lake maintenance, fountain electricity, fountain maintenance, signage, lights for signs, flags and flag poles, pier maintenance, clubhouse pest control, tree trimming, amenity repairs and maintenance, Association payroll, CPA/Tax Services, legal services, collections services, taxes, insurance, janitorial services, trash removal services on common property, and the list goes on...



HOA Drop Box

There are so many expenses each month that the Association pays, that's it's very important that all homeowners pay their HOA dues on time each month. We make it convenient to pay your Association dues:

Option 1: Sign up for ACH auto debit

Option 2: Pay on our website using a credit card.

Option 3: Mail us a check before the 1st of each month.

New! Option 4: Simply place your check payment in the drop box located by our office door.

For more information, please call 904-797-6441.

OUR NEW WEBSITE is officially up and running! Management has been working closely with Ward Design Group for the past several months to recreate and bring to life an improved community website that serves our residents and guests. We are so thankful to have a wonderful vendor helping us bring this project to life.

The first place residents can check for information on the community or our Association will be <u>www.staugshores.com</u>. If you haven't visited the new website, please take some time to check it out.



JOIN US ON SOCIAL MEDIA for updates, reminders, and community news! This is a great way to connect with our staff and Board Members. Many times when there is an immediate need to get information out quickly to the community, this is the first place that we post that information. You can "Like" and "Follow Us" on Facebook and Nextdoor.







Road Work AHEAD

SHORES BLVD ROAD EXPANSION has been the talk of the community for nearly a year now. Recently, there's been some super cool and extremely brave activity going on. Divers from Atlantic Pipe Services weren't afraid to dive into dark and murky waters to help out with the Shores Blvd road widening project. This diver dove fearlessly into the water to put plugs in place while others kept an eye out for gators! That's some serious courage and dedication to the mission. The area has been fenced off for safety, so please don't try exploring this area on your own! We'll leave this job to the pros!



DID YOU KNOW? The Riverview Club is an election day polling location for many Shores homeowners. To confirm your polling location, visit: www.votesjc.gov



Primary Election: August 20th General Election: November 5th

Riverview Club is **not** an early voting location

Friendly Reminder! Per the Deed Restrictions for our community, political signs are <u>not</u> permitted on any lot. Be a good neighbor and please do not display political signs on your property.

SHORES SAFETY TIPS

We often think about how many ways to keep our homes safe from intruders, but we may overlook an important party of our property; our driveway and our cars. Recently, we have been made aware of some car break-ins throughout the Shores.

What can you do to protect your car from intruders?

- 1. Don't forget to lock your car when you exit.
- 2. Close all of your windows when you exit.
- 3. Don't leave valuables in your car.
- 4. If you must leave your car in the driveway, install outside lighting on your home that keeps your automobile lit.
- 5. Never leave your keys in your car.
- 6. Be a good neighbor and let your neighbor know if you see any suspicious activity on your street.
- 7. If you are concerned about unwanted activity in your driveway, consider installing cameras that cover your vehicle.
- 8. If you have room in your garage, consider parking your vehicle in your garage.

For more information on how to keep your vehicle secure, please click the link below to read information from the Florida Sheriff's Association.



Vegetable & Fruit

Please join us at our next HOA meeting on August 8th at 6pm. Our guest speaker will be Lou Greco, who will be sharing his expert gardening tips for successful Fall gardening in the Shores! Lou's presentation will be at the very top of our meeting so please bring your gardening questions for Lou and get ready to plant your fruits and veggies!



RV/BOAT PARKING AVAILABLE

The heat of summer has arrived and it's that time of year when many of our residents embark on their summer road trips.

Enjoy the convenience and affordability of parking your Boat, RV, or Trailer at the St. Augustine Shores Storage Compound.

This resident-only amenity provides access 24/7 to residents who rent a parking space.

Don't risk getting a violation letter for parking your recreational vehicle at your home.

Instead, for only \$50 per month (plus tax) you can rent a dedicated space for your recreational vehicle.



- Rental Fee: \$50 month
- HOA Account must be in good standing.
- ACH Monthly Debit or Annual Payment Required
- Contact Debbie Stanley @ (904) 797-6441 for details



FEATURED

RECIPE



Ingredients

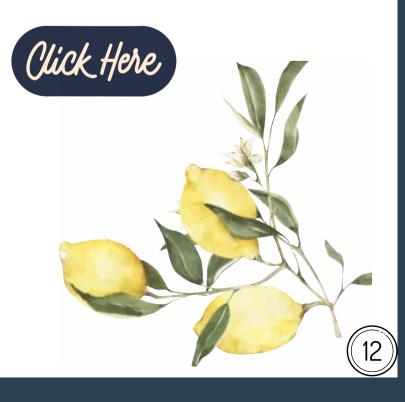
- 250 g / 9 oz Digestive Biscuits or Graham Crackers
- 80 g / 3 oz Butter, melted
- 6 Egg Yolks
- 600 g / 21 oz Sweetened
 Condensed Milk
- 200 ml / 0.8 cup Freshly squeezed Lime Juice
- 9 g / 1.5 tbsp Lime Zest
- 4 Egg Whites, room temperature
- 1 tsp Cream of Tartar
- 100 g / 4 oz Granulated Sugar

Tangy Key Lime Meringue Pie

Nothing says 'Florida Dessert" in August more than key lime pie. Have you been searching for the perfect recipe? Your search is over as we've checked this recipe out for you and now all you have to do is make it and enjoy! You might want to consider making two as your family and friends aren't going to be satisfied with just one slice!

Instructions

Click the "click here" button for instructions and tips on this recipe.



Annual Craft Fair

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27TH 11AM-4PM

Back by popular demand! Do you love art, crafts, and fun? Mark your calendar for **Sunday, October 27th, 11am-4pm** for the Shores Annual Craft Fair at the Riverview Club.

Come and enjoy an afternoon of fun at the Riverview Club in St Augustine Shores! We will have a craft fair with activities for kids and food trucks for the whole family.

- Check out the many different crafts from participating vendors
- Refreshments available from food trucks: <u>Ybor Food Bus</u> & <u>Cup Runneth Over</u>
 <u>Cafe</u>
- Raffle prizes themed gift baskets
- Children's activities Face Painting Making bracelets Drawing
- Sign up to participate, application forms in the office:
- \$15.00 for an 8' table
- Cut-off date for application: Fri. Oct 18, 2024





BACK TO SCHOOL IN THE SHORES! It's August and time to start thinking about back to school for our Shores families! If your student attends St. Johns County Public Schools, the official back to school date is **Monday, August 12th.**

We've included a link from <u>www.staugustine.com</u> to help parents get their kids ready for the new school year, plus a few tips of our own:

- 1. **Be street wise**: Remind your child to stay alert and walk/not run when crossing the street. Reading books and looking at cell phones while on any road or street can be dangerous. The more time spent walking on the road, the higher the chance for safety problems to occur.
- 2. **Stay hydrated**: It may be Back to School time, but it's still August in Florida and its easy to become dehydrated. Make sure that your child has plenty to drink for the school day.
- 3. **Respect nature**: We live in a beautiful community and we live in harmony with the wildlife that exists here. It's important for children to stay away from any bodies of water before or after school and to keep an eye out for our slithering friends while walking on the sidewalk.

Most importantly, respect your teachers and your classmates and have a great year of learning and growing!

Find Your Child's Bus Route





Water Fitness with Elsa Mon / Wed / Fri 9:00am - 10:00am

Included in Pool Membership \$5 per class for non-members



