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From the HOA President:

At our final board meeting of this year on Nov. 18, two important items were presented. Our budget for 2021 was confirmed, with the quarterly assessments for single-family homes set at \$254 and for the Villas at \$604.

The board also decided to move to a new management company, Compass Rose Management (CRM). The transition from Alliant to CRM will be effective Jan. 1, 2021. Alliant and CRM will be working together to make this transition as seamless as possible. There will be more information coming out in the next few weeks detailing the changes that will involve all our residents.

Our new gate controller and call box should be installed in the next week, allowing our gates to function as they have in the past. The biggest difference will be replacement of the gate clickers with RFID stickers attached to vehicles' windshields. The clickers will still work beyond the first of the new year. Everyone will be notified well ahead of time when the clickers will be deactivated.

A RF reader will be installed on the right side of the entrance gates and activated by the windshield stickers opening the gates as vehicles approach. These RFID stickers, as well as more information, will be made available in the next few weeks. All residents will be issued two RFID stickers. The board's thought is to have them available at our clubhouse, possibly in the morning and afternoon of a day yet to be announced. This could be more than one day. For those not physically here in Silverlakes, these stickers could be mailed. Until then, once the gates are functioning again, everything will work as before.

It has been a couple of years since the paint colors for our community have been updated. If anyone has suggestions for new colors, just let us know and they will be taken into consideration. Once again, I want to thank ALL committee and board members for all they do for Silverlakes.

Morning coffee to resume

The popular morning coffee hour will resume on Monday, Jan. 4.

Coffee and socialization will be available from 8:30 to 9:30 on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. No RSVP is required.

Coming Events:

Dec 5: Picture with Santa, 10 a.m. Children will sit in Santa's sleigh while Santa stands nearby passing out candy and toys! Must RSVP to Agnes by calling (239) 561-9661. Agnes will be taking children's names.

Dec 14: Book Club at the clubhouse, 2 p.m. to discuss "A Redbird Christmas" by Fannie Flagg. Please RSVP to Marilyn at (239) 561-1294.

The Children's Bingo was cancelled because no one called Agnes to sign up.

Thank you to everyone who has donated to Toys for Tots. The collection box will remain in the clubhouse until Dec. 2.

Sunshine Committee:

The Sunshine Committee sends greeting cards to Silverlakes residents who are recovering from an illness or surgery, celebrating the addition of a child to the family or mourning the loss of a loved one. If you know someone who could use a card, call Sue Beard at (239) 284-3936 or email her at shadden@comcast.net. Sue will need the name AND address of the recipient.

In Memoriam:

Our thoughts and prayers go out to John Amaral and family of Lakeland Circle on the death of John's father, Jose, 88, on Nov, 11 in Rhode Island. Born in Santa Maria in the Portuguese Azores Islands, Jose came to the United States in 1973. He is survived by his wife of more than 64 years, Deolinda; six children; eight grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and one sister. Services were held Nov. 18 in Providence.

Condolences go out to Laurie O'Grady of Silver Sands Drive on the sudden death of her husband, Robert O'Grady, 59, on Nov. 3.