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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Westshore Village.

I would like to welcome back our Northern and Canadian friends. It has been a long time that we have missed each other.

Our roll back dumpster is a free luxury that we have and it is for all of our residents to use. If you have work done by a contractor, they are responsible to remove all of their debris and not use our dumpster.

Now that Thanksgiving is past, our volunteers will be decorating the clubhouse for the holidays so it will look very festive for the Christmas Dinner and Dance, please try to attend. In advance, I would like to thank each and every one of the volunteers who help make these events happen.

People will be coming and going for the holidays, please be safe and have fun! Happy holidays to all.

Ted Allen

President of the Board

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Real Estate Corner

There are no WSV active listings currently on MLS and no units under contract. Sold in the last six months:

DATE:	ADDRESS:		SQ. FT:	SOLD PRICE:
11/24/21	3280 39 th St. S. #B	2BR/2B Townhouse	1180	\$240,000
09/03/21	3203 40 th Way S. #B	2BR/2B Villa	1200	\$225,000
09/20/21	3337 38 th Way S. #B	2BR/2B Villa	1100	\$220,000
06/29/21	3223 38 th Way S. #C	2BR/2.5B Townhouse	1180	\$165,000
06/24/21	3281 38 th Way S. #C	2BR/2.5B Townhouse	1180	\$239,900
05/27/21	3234 40 th Way S. #C	2B/2.5B Townhouse	1180	\$215,000
05/10/21	3276 38 th Way S. #A	2BR/2BA Villa	1170	\$215,000

Getting to the Bottom of the Bin: What goes in West Shore’s roll-off dumpster?

The roll-off dumpster is located on the south side of West Shore Village. This service enables residents to dispose of large furniture and related items easily. The dumpster is provided by the City of St. Petersburg.

Items permitted in the roll-off dumpster remain a puzzle for many residents. Let’s try to clear up this mystery!

First things first. Our dumping behaviors cost us money and affect our neighbors.

When we do not follow the guidelines below, the City of St. Petersburg charges West Shore Village a fee for a “blocked” or overloaded dumpster. Odors, vermin, and debris caused by careless dumping affects our WSV residents living in the homes near the dumpster. Noise is also a factor for nearby residents.

When can I feed the dumpster?

We ask that you use the dumpster during daytime waking hours. Please do not feed the dumpster after 8 pm in the evening.

What can I put in the dumpster?

GOOD TO GO!!! Feed the dumpster these items:

- ✔ Unwanted furniture
- ✔ Unwanted household items
- ✔ Unwanted small appliances
- ✔ Broken-down and flattened cardboard

LEAVE IT OUT!! These items cannot go in the dumpster:

- ✘ Appliances containing Freon or other hazardous chemicals
- ✘ Construction materials
- ✘ Carpeting
- ✘ Food waste or other garbage, even if bagged
- ✘ Anything, even permissible items, WHEN THE DUMPSTER IS CONSIDERED “FULL”, ie: FILLED TO THE TOP LIP.

Where can I dispose of things that cannot go in the dumpster?

Residents have several options available, depending on the type of item requiring disposal.

● WSV regular collection and garbage bins

The crew will pick up flattened cardboard along with your regular bagged garbage. Staff also collects yard waste from WSV roadways.

WSV also maintains 3 bins near the dumpster area that are designated for the same type of garbage that staff would collect during their regular pickups.

● City of St. Petersburg pickup services

The City will pick up some items for free, with limits on quantity - call (727) 893-7398.

- Car batteries
- Car tires
- Doors
- Empty fuel tanks
- Furniture, carpet, and appliances
- Kitchen cabinets
- Windows
- Recyclable materials

Residents can drop off recyclable materials for free at 2500 26th Ave. S. (9a – 5:30p every day).

Suitable materials are authorized recyclable material, mixed metals, appliances and cement roofing tiles.

Remember, you can always ask Joe Storts if you are not sure where your items should go!

WHEN IN DOUBT, LEAVE IT OUT!

Summary of Tuesday morning workshops - November 2021

Maintenance, painting and repairs

- A tree was removed at 3340 (Board's approval on October 28 2021). A tree at 3380C is also scheduled to be removed soon.
- Island Painting returned to complete painting of several doors and to clean over-sprayed shutters.
- Pestguard has been busy checking rodent trap boxes (the usual quarterly check).
- The 3-year periodic fire inspection has been completed.
- Tennis courts are awaiting paint following repair of large crack.
- Shuffleboard courts have received needed maintenance and are available for play.
- The front gate was problematic in November. Our crew is working with the service company to identify and repair the problem as soon as possible. The gate is scheduled for major rejuvenation using reserve funds in approximately 5 years. In the meantime, the Board was asked to consider other service providers who may be able to provide more effective and timely services.
- Gutter cleaning: This is on the crew's work schedule for the entire WSV community and out to be completed by Christmas.

Other WSV Services

- There was an enquiry on how to get wind mitigation reports for insurance purposes following a roof replacement. Residents who require wind mitigation reports are required to obtain these independently, at their cost.
- The roll-off dumpster was removed in mid-November because of continued problems. Staff will pick up *flattened* cardboard if left out with regular garbage on Mondays and Thursdays. No firm date for the dumpster return has been scheduled at this time, there are plans to improve signage and consider surveillance to that residents are more aware of permitted uses of the dumpster.
- Water consumption update: The test on Friday Nov 19 was inconclusive. It remains unclear if there was a leak or if some other meter-related issue is at play. Joe is meeting with the water service for additional information and advice. We are also planning to be in touch with the City of St. Petersburg to have someone explain the complex water metering at WSV.

Social and Community Activities

- First Friday socials have now been moved to SECOND Friday in the Clubhouse.

FROM THE CREW

Hello Everybody,

We also hope this finds everyone well. I can't tell you how glad we are that most of our people finally were able to come back. Everything has kind of been on hold for almost 2 years. Good to get back in the groove.

We are still trying to figure out our increased water bill and I wanted to thank everyone for helping last Friday when we shut all the building valves off. We will be doing another shutdown soon to replace some bad valves we found.

We are still doing some repairs on the tennis court but will have them ready to play most of the time during the repairs.

We are still working on the gutters and roofs and will get around to everyone eventually. Some gutter guards have been installed and we hope this will help to keep them clear. If you are having a problem with your gutters, please put in a work order and we will take a look to see what is wrong.

If you need us, OneSource work orders are the best.

We want to wish everybody a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Thank you,
Joe and Staff



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NEW WSV RESIDENTS, KAREN AND DAVE WHITE

Newlywed residents Karen and Dave White are still unpacking and getting their new home set up in Village 1. These two have been experiencing a flurry of major “life events” in the past few months. They welcomed their first grandchild, Owen, in July just before Dave retired and they put their home in Orlando up for sale. The home sold quickly, and they closed on their WSV condo in late October, then got married the first week of November.

Karen is originally from Pittsburgh and Dave was born in upstate New York, although he’s spent most of his life in the Sunshine State.

When they’re finished unpacking and setting up house, they intend to enjoy some pool time, attend social functions, and explore Clam Bayou. They are also looking forward to relaxing with their cats, Daisy (shy and likes to hide) and Lily (an emotional support pet) and watching football.



OUR NEW EDITOR

Tammy Turner has recently signed on as editor of the West Shore Village (WSV) Newsletter. Tammy moved to WSV in February of 2019 from Nashville, TN, where she worked as a legal assistant at various law firms in downtown Music City. Originally from Michigan, Tammy graduated from Central Michigan University with a degree in broadcast and cinematic arts and a minor in English.

Tammy’s journalistic experience includes a stint as editor of her high school newspaper, the Dragon News, and two years writing classified ads at The Flint Journal. She enjoys cooking, baking and pool time. When she’s not working on our newsletter, you can find her working part-time at a law office in St. Pete, or out walking her dog, Mel.

WSV FRIDAY SOCIAL CASINO NIGHT

**Mark your calendar to attend a Casino Night at WSV
Friday, January 14th, 2022
Tickets \$25/person**



**WSV Casino Night theme “The Roaring 20’s.”
If you like, come dressed to the 9’s in 1920’s attire,
although not required.**

Games: *Blackjack, Craps, and Roulette*

**No prior gambling experience needed as you will be
playing with “Play Money” and the Casino Dealers
will gladly explain the rules of each game.**

**Beer, wine, non-alcoholic beverages
and various snacks will be available.**

**Tickets include \$2,500 coupon for gambling chips,
plus a door prize ticket.**

Extra gambling coupons & door prize tickets available.

**Come, bring your friends and neighbors - have fun.
This will be one WSV Social Event you won’t want to miss!!**

**Look for more information to come soon
via WSV Newsletter, on Facebook, and event flyers, etc.**

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REACH OUT/STAY IN TOUCH

There are lots of ways to communicate with your WSV community:

Our Facebook page, which allows residents to talk to each other: West Shore Village Boca Bay Residents: [facebook.com/groups/westshorebocabay](https://www.facebook.com/groups/westshorebocabay)

Website: westshorevillage.net, which we encourage you to visit to keep up with official WSV information.

Email: wsvbb1@gmail.com sends your queries to the board of directors.

Ask your Village directors, whose contact information is on the front page of this newsletter.

Television: Check out our security and community TV channels by selecting 732 and 733 on your remote control.

To receive timely emails about community happenings, send your email to wsvbb1@gmail.com and ask to be added to the list.

Our list of residents: on westshorevillage.net select the Members tab in the top menu and type the password. You'll find names, addresses, phone numbers and emails.

To reach WSV's management company, Resource Property Management, visit resourcepropertygmt.com or call RPM's WSV manager April Neary at (727) 864-0004 x2212.

WEST SHORE VILLAGE CHRISTMAS DINNER & DANCE Entertainers: At Large Band SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2021

SOCIAL HOUR AT 5:30 PM

HAM & TURKEY PROVIDED

PLEASE BRING A SIDE DISH TO SHARE

DINNER AT 6:30 PM

\$12.00 PER PERSON

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Disasters strike when we least expect them. Events like hurricanes, tornados, earthquakes, storms, floods and power outages quite often result in the loss of power as well as charging sources for our personal electronics such as our iPhones. Are we properly prepared, especially with sufficient lighting and a charging source for our cell phone and emergency radio? This lantern may be the perfect inexpensive solution. It can also serve to light up your patio, or a backyard area during Winter months.

The water-resistant lantern comes in at 1.3 pounds, 3.75" x 3.75" x 7.25", and provides various LED illuminated intensities up to 1800 lumens. It achieves this with the use of its 46 LED bulbs. These bulbs are shielded by a removable convex reflector cap that provides 360-degree lighting. It can also be removed to allow for more focused lighting. Included are four soft white LED's and 42 daylight LED bulbs with a lifespan of over 300,000 hours of use and are replaceable. That's enough light to adequately fill most normal sized rooms. This emergency rechargeable LED light features 4 light modes, daylight, warm light, a combination of both and a flash mode and is dimmable by simply depressing the on/off switch repeatedly. The LED lantern has 2 Lithium built-in rechargeable and replaceable batteries that when fully charged can last up to 12 hours depending on the illumination level being used. A standard 5 volt, or less USB charger (not supplied), is required for charging, but the USB cable for charging is supplied. A non-rechargeable model, the StarLight 1000, uses 3 D batteries, and is also available with these same specifications at a significantly lower cost.

This lantern not only provides an extremely bright LED light source, but can also be used to charge your iPhone and emergency radio. Two different sized ports for this are located at the back and protected by a marked gray rubber covering. The bottom port is the charging port. Naturally the proper USB cable is required to accomplish this and is therefore not supplied since it needs to match your devices' USB input port. At the top of the lantern is a movable handle that permits hanging and carrying. On the bottom, you can flip up a hook for hanging as well. Without a doubt this lantern is a must for your survival kit as well as being a neat addition to your outdoor camping needs. Available at retail locations and from on-line suppliers.

MSRP: \$34.95

Note: Other AYL models with varying specifications are also available.

GADGETEER'S RATING: ★★★★★

For more information go to: <https://amzn.to/2Uyz2pa>

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