



TUSCANY COMMUNITY NEWS

“Connecting Neighbors”

June 2021

TUSCANY HOMEOWNERS (HOA) BOARD

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

The next HOA Board meeting will be held on **Thursday, June 17, at 6 pm**. Homeowners are invited and welcome to participate via ZOOM call. The ZOOM link, meeting ID, and phone call-in number are located on the Tuscany HOA website at TuscanyTampaPalmshoa.com.



June 3 – World Bicycle Day – go for a bike ride

June 6 - D Day WWII – remembering this country’s veterans who served in WWII
National Gardening Exercise Day – work out in your garden beds

June 14 - Flag Day – time to fly the American flag and remember all it represents to those of us who live in this country

June 19 - Juneteenth, also known as Freedom Day, is a holiday celebrating the end of slavery in the United States

June 20 - Father's Day – do something special to show dads how much they are appreciated with a thoughtful act or gift

June 20 – Summer Solstice – beginning of summer, longest day of the year

YARD OF THE MONTH



AnnMarie and Gavin Scott on Bella Woods Drive recently spruced up their front garden bed with a splash of colorful petunias, dianthus and other annuals at the base of the existing robellini palm. In addition, an arrangement of stepping stones was added providing a garden hardscape that is also useful in that it allows additional space for drivers to step or walk instead of stepping directly into grass or mulch when exiting a vehicle parked in the driveway.



MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS

Chase Stockwell graduated from Middleton High School, a computer science magnet school in the Hillsborough County School System, on June 1. He will be attending the University of South Florida this fall where he will continue his studies in computer science with a major emphasis on cybersecurity, which is his future career goal. By the way, Chase was accepted to 6 different major universities so that says he had a very respectable grade point average in high school.

Chase has lived in Tuscany with his mother and two younger sisters for approximately 8 years. In addition to his responsibility for walking the family dogs daily, Chase has often provided assistance for his neighbors with yard and house chores in order to earn spending money. He has worked parttime at BJ's Wholesale Club in Tampa Palms during the past few months and will be employed there fulltime this summer.

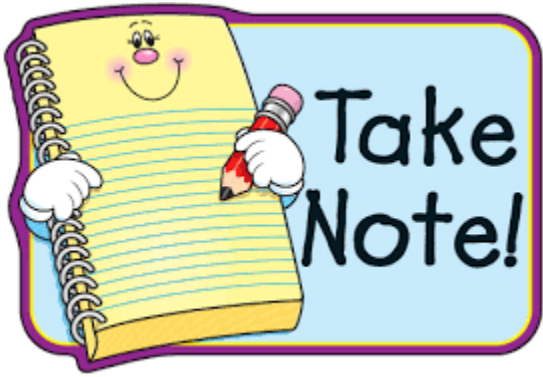
Congratulations, Chase!!! Enjoy your college experience. Go Bulls!!!!



We also have a kindergarten graduate! Olivia Scott graduated from Primrose of Tampa Palms and will be starting 1st grade at Tampa Palms elementary this fall. Olivia is excited to join her classmates at their new school and continue to learn and grow. She wants to be a Police Officer, a teacher, an Artist and a cooker (Chef) when she grows up!



NEIGHBORHOOD REMINDERS



If you have not done so already, please take the time to review and comply with the deed restrictions for our HOA-controlled neighborhood. Each homeowner (and tenant) should have been provided a copy of the deed restrictions when you purchased or rented a home in Tuscany. Deed restrictions are written and designed to ensure that we always have a neatly maintained community in which to live. They are posted on the Tuscany HOA website at TuscanyTampaPalmshoa.com.

Following are a few reminders, based on current deed restrictions, to help maintain the appearance and livability of our neighborhood:

- Trash bins should be kept inside garages, placed curbside the evening before pickup days (Monday & Thursday), and returned to garages following collection on Monday and Thursday. The bins should not be left in driveways for an extended period of time.
- Garden hoses should be kept neatly placed on or in hose holders when not in use.
- Each owner is responsible for maintaining, repairing, or replacing mailboxes as needed. Ensure that mailboxes are securely mounted on the base pole and the pole is fully anchored in the ground (approximately 24 inches). The height of a mailbox should be around 42 inches above ground.
- Home units are for single-family, residential purposes. A home is not to be used for business activity nor to serve as a rental house for nonrelated college students.
- Pets should not be allowed to roam free in the neighborhood. Dogs should always be kept on a leash when outside. Owners are responsible for promptly scooping and disposing of pet waste properly.
- Consideration should be given to the view that people driving by have of your backyard . . . or that of the neighbors across the pond . . . or that your next-door neighbors have of your backyard. Backyards should be maintained as neatly as front yards.

YARD WASTE DISPOSAL

IT'S EASY BEING **GREEN!!**

The city of Tampa Yard Waste Collection Program provides residential curbside collection once a week on the same day as recycling collection service, which is Thursday for Tuscany homes.

- Please adhere to the following guidelines: plant clippings, leaves, and tree branches must be bagged, or bundled, and tied in 4-foot lengths and placed at curbside for pickup.
- Yard waste must be containerized, bagged, or bundled and cannot exceed a combined weight of 50 lbs. per bag, bundle, or container. In the interest of safety, containerized and bundled yard waste may not protrude from the top of the container.
- Bags/bundles must be positioned curbside at a distance of 3 feet from blue trash carts.
- Some residents use plastic bins or baskets for collecting yard waste and placing them curbside. Drivers will dump the yard waste and leave the plastic container on the lawn or at edge of the driveway. You can also purchase 30-gallon paper yard waste bags at Target, Lowe's, Home Depot, or Costco. Drivers then place the entire bag in the truck.



PETS SHOWCASE

Introducing Cooper Burrell. He is a TeddyBear--a mix of Bichon & ShiTzu. He just turned 2 years old. He has many favorite toys. He prefers them grouped together on the floor and then he selects the toy of the moment. His favorite thing is to roll onto his back to get belly rubs. Watch for Cooper strolling the neighborhood with either Frank or Cheryl on a leash.



FROM THE KITCHEN OF . . .

The following dessert recipe is shared from the kitchen of Djennet Moskovin.

"Airy Kisses"

Dough recipe:

Butter - 120 grams (1/2 cup)
Egg yolks - 3
Approx. 180 grams flour (1 cup)
Baking soda - 1 tsp
Pinch of salt
Vanilla

Meringue recipe:

Egg whites - 3
Sugar - 100-120 grams (approx. 1/2 cup)
Lemon juice - 1 tsp
Vanilla
Dried apricots - 8-10

Separate egg whites from yolks. Set egg whites aside. Make a dough by mixing soft, room temperature butter with egg yolks, salt, vanilla. Mix flour with baking soda and gradually add it to the butter mixture. Knead dough into a ball, cover with a plastic wrap, and put in the refrigerator. It's important not to knead the dough for too long; otherwise, it will not be crumbly. This type of dough mixture is called "sand dough."

To make a perfect meringue, you will need an electric mixer. Start whipping the egg whites first for one minute. Use medium speed only. Start adding sugar slowly. You will need another 8-9 min to make a perfect meringue. At the end add lemon juice and mix a little.

Get the dough out of the refrigerator, roll out thin. Use a round dough cutter or a regular wine or water glass approximately 3 inches in diameter to cut out circles. Cover baking sheet with parchment paper and place dough circles on it.

Cut apricots into small pieces and put them in the middle of each pastry. Put meringue in a pastry cream piping bag and start adding it to the pastry from the outer edges to the middle. The apricots will be completely covered with cream.

Sprinkle the top of circles with nuts or liquid chocolate and put in a preheated oven. Bake for 25-30 minutes at 300°F. When surface of pastries is touched, it should not be sticky. Serve and enjoy!



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