



## **TUSCANY COMMUNITY NEWS**

**“Connecting Neighbors”**

**March 2022**



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March 1 - Mardi Gras Fat Tuesday – carnival leading to Lenten season

March 2 - Ash Wednesday – the beginning of Lent

March 4 - Employee Appreciation Day

March 13 - Daylight Savings Time begins for 2022

March 17 - St. Patrick's Day – celebration of the patron saint of Ireland

March 19 - Holi – a festival of colors and love that ushers in spring

March 20 - Spring equinox begins at 11:33 am

March 24 - Tuscany HOA Board Meeting – 6 pm

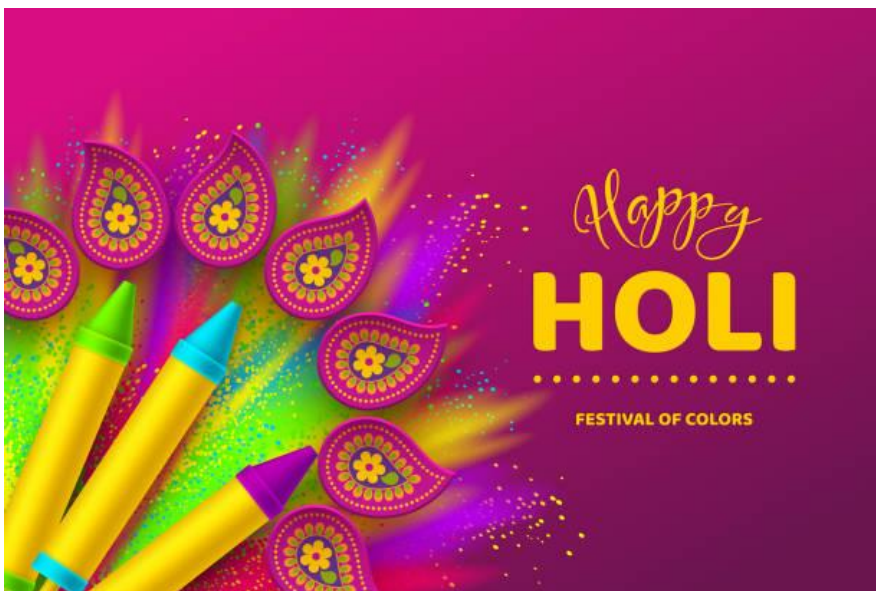


## HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!!

Hey Tuscany Kids! How about celebrating St. Patrick's Day with a decorated bike and wagon parade?? If you and your parents are interested in this activity, an organizer is needed to set a date, time, and place to gather to parade through the streets of Tuscany to show off your decorated bikes and wagons. Chat with your parents, friends, and neighbors to see if they would like to help you with this fun activity. Then spread the word so everyone can come out to see your creative efforts.

## ERIN GO BRAGH!

**\*\*See the printable St. Patrick's Day crossword puzzle at the end of the newsletter.\*\***



Holi has become a neighborhood celebration across cultures and loads of fun for all! Watch for children and neighbors celebrating with water, color, and most importantly, each other! Here are some pictures from years' past:



## MARCH 1–31 IS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH



Do you recognize these famous women from history by their photographs? If not, learn more about them by participating in the programs being offered through the Hillsborough County Public Libraries during the month of March.

Visit [HCPLC.org/WomensHistoryMonth](https://www.hcplc.org/WomensHistoryMonth) to register for events, browse through curated booklists, and discover online resources.



### **NEW TUSCANY RESIDENTS**

Dennis Ochoa and family (February)

# Zoom Meeting



## TUSCANY HOA BOARD MEETING

Thursday, March 24, 6 pm

Login details for the ZOOM meeting will be posted on the Tuscany HOA website ([www.tuscanytampapalmshoa.com](http://www.tuscanytampapalmshoa.com)) a few days prior to the meeting date.

## TUSCANY TAMPA PALMS HOA DOCUMENTS

Each of these documents can be found on the Tuscany HOA website. Residents, whether owners or tenant residents, should familiarize themselves with the content of the primary documents, especially the **Summary of Deed Restrictions**. For example, know the restrictions regarding garage sales and open houses shown below.

[Summary of Deed Restrictions](#)

[Articles of Incorporation](#)

[By-Laws](#)

[Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Easements](#)

[First Amendment to Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Easements](#)

[Certificate of Amendment to the Declaration of the Covenants, Conditions, Restrictions and Easements, and By-Laws](#)

[Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions for Tampa Palms Area 3 Owners Association, Inc.](#)

DECLARATION OF COVENANTS, CONDITIONS, RESTRICTIONS AND EASEMENTS FOR TUSCANY SUBDIVISION AT TAMPA PALMS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

ARTICLE V - USE RESTRICTIONS AND RULES

Section 2. Use of Units. All Units shall be used for single-family residential purposes exclusively. No Unit shall be occupied by more than two (2) individuals per bedroom. No business or business activity shall be carried on, in or upon any Unit at any time except with the written approval of the Board of Directors. Leasing of a Unit in accordance with Section 5 of this Article shall not be considered a business or business activity. **No garage sales or open houses will be permitted in the Community.**

**NOTE:** Realtor signs are also not permitted in Tuscan yards. Most realtors in this area know this; however, homeowners should also be aware of this and inform realtors who are not familiar with the Tuscan deed restrictions.

In addition, residents are not permitted to erect tents/trailers/structures such as utility sheds on their property in Tuscan. The Summary of Deed Restrictions also states that any "patio slab or deck area may not be used for storage or placement of a POD or other type of storage container system."

## **BE INFORMED!**

### **TUSCANY COMMITTEES – SOCIAL COMMITTEE**

The role of the Social Committee is to create and promote events and activities to enhance homeowner interaction and build an inclusive and friendly community. Committee members are to work with the Board to plan community events and activities, establishing and requesting a budget when necessary. The Social Committee may choose to utilize traditional (for example, a newsletter or the information boxes by the gates) or social media (e.g., a Tuscan Facebook group) to promote community activities and neighborly interaction.

This committee needs interested residents to assist with community social plans for 2022. Please contact Jan Manhold or Monique Sims if you would like to contribute to your community in this way.

### **GATE MESSAGE BOARDS**

Continue to watch for various signs regarding topics of importance to the Tuscan community that will be posted inside the gate message boards. One topic that is especially important regards the posted speed limit.



Some drivers continue to exceed the 15 mph speed limit on our streets. **PLEASE** observe the **posted speed limit** within Tuscan's gates in order to prevent an unnecessary accident involving children, pets, or property. Take your foot off the gas pedal a bit, watch your speedometer, and ask that your visitors, maintenance workers, and delivery personnel do the same.

# WELCOME Spring

Are you noticing that the days are getting longer? Can you feel the sun getting stronger? Are you seeing new weeds popping up everywhere?

Spring is a time for a renewal of plants, birds, and home “spring cleaning” chores that also renew the overall look of our community. Some typical spruce up/fix up tasks that should be done during the months of March and April include:

- Prune and/or remove dead plants from the winter's frost.
- Spray or pull weeds from landscape beds and driveways.
- Wash windows.
- Paint home exterior.
- Have the HVAC system checked and serviced.
- Test/replace smoke detector batteries.
- Pressure wash fascia/soffits + driveway.

Local garden shops and nurseries are getting prepared for the spring planting season with an available array of colorful flowerful plants and shrubs.



Pay them a visit and renew your landscape beds with new perennials and colorful annuals over the next few weeks.

In addition to the garden shops at Lowe's, Home Depot, and Walmart, check out some of the independently owned shops and plant nurseries in the area, such as:

Cypress Creek Landscape Supply - 12734 N. Florida Avenue, Tampa

Treemart, Inc. – 12505 N. Nebraska Avenue, Tampa

One-Stop Landscape Supply – 34100 S. R. 54, Wesley Chapel

Hollie's Farm and Garden – 20545 W. County Line Road, Lutz

Kerby's Nursery & Landscaping – 2311 S. Parsons Avenue, Seffner

## **YARD OF THE MONTH**

Some Tuscany residents have already begun to refresh their hardscape (walkway and border) and landscaped beds. The renewed look at this home on Tuscany Woods Drive just says "[Welcome Spring!](#)" The use of colorful vincas and gerbera daisies added to variegated liriope and established green perennial plants has created a neat, weed-free front entrance to their home.

Lovely!!! Thanks for your efforts to make your home and Tuscany more attractive.



**GET READY FOR SPRING & MAKE **SATURDAY, APRIL 2**, "CLEAN UP, FIX UP" DAY IN TUSCANY!! MAKE OUR NEIGHBORHOOD LOOK BEAUTIFUL FOR THE COMING MONTHS.**



## **2022 TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE REMINDER**

NOTE: Drivers do not exit trucks to pick up boxes or other trash. All trash and recyclables **MUST** be placed in the gray and blue bins.

**NOTICE** On Jan. 31, 2022, Your Garbage, Recycling, and Yard Waste Collection Days May Change. You will still receive **two garbage, one recycling, and one yard waste** collection weekly.

Starting **Monday, Jan. 31, 2022:**

Your new **garbage** collection days will be **WEDNESDAY & SATURDAY**

Your new **recycling** collection day will be **WEDNESDAY**

Your new **yard waste** collection day will be **WEDNESDAY**

**GARBAGE**

**RECYCLE**

**YARD WASTE**

Follow the 3-foot rule. Keep carts at least 3 feet away from other carts, mailboxes, cars, trees, shrubs, fire hydrants, and utility poles.

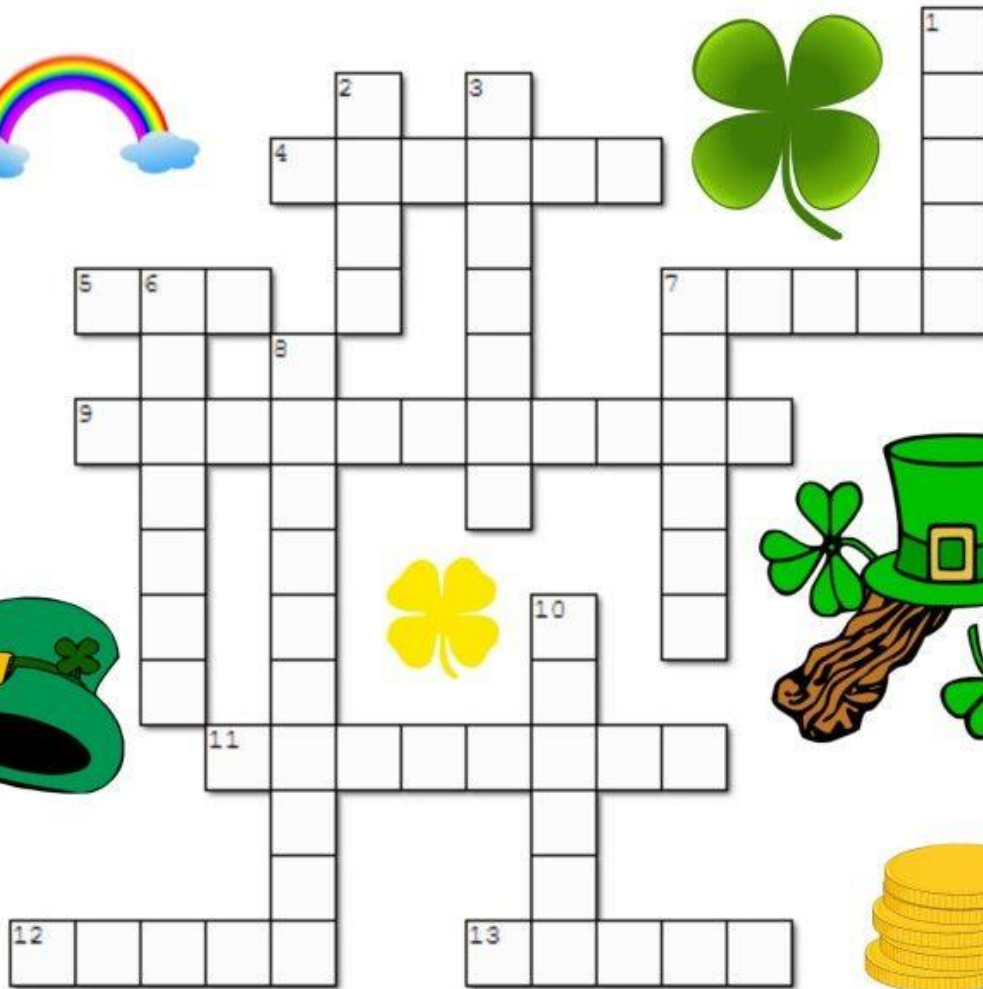
Roll the cart to the curb by **6 a.m.** on the collection day for those items.

Complete residential garbage, recycling, and yard waste collection guidelines are available at [HCFLGov.net/Trash](http://HCFLGov.net/Trash) or contact Hillsborough County Solid Waste Customer Service at **(813) 272-5680**.

## **SUBSCRIBE TO THE TUSCANY NEWSLETTER**

To subscribe to the Tuscany newsletter, please submit your name and a preferred email address to [TuscanyTampaPalms@gmail.com](mailto:TuscanyTampaPalms@gmail.com), and the newsletter will be sent via email to you each month. This email address will not permit individuals' personal email addresses to be visible to others. Newsletters can also be found in Quick Links on the Tuscany HOA website: [www.TuscanyTampaPalmsHOA.com](http://www.TuscanyTampaPalmsHOA.com).

# ST. PATRICK'S DAY CROSSWORD PUZZLE



## Across

4. capital of Ireland
5. a type of Irish dance
7. if you do not wear green on March 17 this will happen
9. the day St. Patrick's Day falls on
11. the national emblem of Ireland
12. yellow and blue make \_\_\_\_\_
13. from Ireland

## Down

1. the 3rd month of the year
2. good fortune
3. nonsense or misleading talk
6. called the Emerald Isle
7. a starchy vegetable
8. a sprite
10. 4 leaf \_\_\_\_\_