

DUNES LINES

Happenings in The Villas of Ocean Dunes

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Missed seeing an issue of the Dunes Lines?
All issues of the Dunes Lines are posted on
the Ocean Dunes website:

www.oceandunesflorida.com

No password is needed

Picture of the Month

submitted by Tara DeCoursey



Ongoing Events

Pickleball

Tuesday, Thursday and
Saturday 8:30AM
Tuesday, Thursday and
Sunday 6:00PM
Meet at the tennis courts. All
levels welcome. Rackets are
available to borrow.

Games at the pool:

Mexican Train/Rummicube

Tuesdays at 2PM
Thursdays at 2PM

Check out the Ocean Dunes
Website:
www.oceandunesflorida.com
Email the office if you need
the password.

Welcome New Board Member

Welcome Tara DeCoursey!
Tara was appointed by the
Board to take the seat vacated
by Alex Bravo. We know that
Tara will be a wonderful
addition to the Board.

Help the Easter Bunny Recycle



The Easter Bunny is into recycling. If you have any plastic eggs that you no longer need you can drop them off at 1426 or 619 or you can leave them on the pool bar so they can be used in next years hunt.



Help Keep Ocean Dunes Beautiful

Please do not throw cigarette butts or other debris into the lake. Pick up after your dog and dispose the waste properly. Do not leave it on your neighbors property.

FYI

Forms available on the website:
Sales Application
Leasing Application

Dumpster Etiquette

Please place all trash in the appropriate container.

All cardboard boxes should be collapsed before disposing them.

If recycling is full or something is too large to fit in the recycle bin please deposit it in the regular garbage bin.

DO NOT LEAVE ANYTHING ON TOP OR OUTSIDE THE BINS

No plastic bags are allowed in the recycle bins

Block Captains

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200	Jill Van Dresser	jvandresser@comcast.net
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1400	Loretta Rempe	loretta.rempe@yahoo.com
1500	Jan & Bill Ross	janandbill@aol.com

A new Block Captain is still needed for the 100 Block. Please contact Summer if you would like to volunteer.

Hotwire

For ANY Hotwire issues call 800-355-5668.

Gates

The Resident Service number for Envera is **877-936-8372**.

Please add this to your phone contact information. This is the number that Envera will use if they need to call you. **It may also be used to report a problem with the gate** and to add visitors to your list if you do not have access to the App or to a computer.

“Don’t Be Like Brenda”

Worth Repeating

“Don’t Be Like Brenda” – a light-hearted look at life with “The Gates”

Once upon a time there was a lovely community, and a lovely woman named Brenda lived there. Life was idyllic, until one day, automated gates came to be.

Well, life was not idyllic as “The Gates” learned their place in the lovely community. Perhaps, one might say, they got off to a very rocky start. But slowly, (VERY slowly), “The Gates” and their “Envera Visitor System” began working in harmony, and life was returning to its blissful state. And then...

Enter: the lovely woman named Brenda. Ah yes, Brenda. Brenda was popular and had many friends and family who wished to visit her in her lovely community on evenings and weekends. But alas, Brenda doesn’t tell the “Envera Visitor System” that friends are coming, and lovely Brenda doesn’t always answer her phone when “Envera Visitor System” calls. “The gates” become sad and will not open for these guests, and many cars get backed up at the entrance to the lovely community, unable to pass through “The Gates”.

What does one do??

Answer: Please, use the Envera app, or call the “Envira Visitor System” and DON’T be a Brenda (even though she’s lovely)

Don't be left in the dark!

For those walking or driving in Ocean Dunes at night, if there is a lamp post that isn't working, please take note of its location and send an email to Summer at: manager@oceandunesflorida.com.

Remember...

“If you **don't** see something, say something!”

(hahaha, get it??)

Landscaping

If you do not want a plant or a hedge trimmed, please see Summer. She will give you a red reflector to put in front of it.



Unacceptable Behavior

ATTENTION ALL HOMEOWNERS



Recently there was a food fight with chocolate cake thrown all about..

Kids have been climbing in the raised flower beds (this is dangerous as well as destructive to plants)

Dogs have been observed in the pool and pool area. This is **NOT ALLOWED**.

This Association is our home; for many of us, our biggest investment. We love it, we take care of it, and we take pride in it. Not just our individual residence, but the entire property.

Fellow homeowners – PLEASE keep an eye out, and if you see something, please let our Property Manager and Board members know.

The Dunes Gourmet



US-1 Just North of Northlake Blvd.

What a great place to enjoy a casual meal with friends, family! Just a few miles south of here in North Palm Beach is Frigate's. This low-key, high-energy restaurant offers terrific outdoor (or indoor!) dining with a bit of a Caribbean flair. Their prices are decent, and they have Happy Hour every Monday-Friday 3:00pm – 6:30pm. I was recently there with a friend for lunch and enjoyed awesome Mahi Tacos and Fried Green Tomatoes topped with Lump Crabmeat. All fresh and flavorful – enjoy!



This Seasons Pets of the Month



Guyz



Tita



Maggie the Muscovy



Molly



Louie and Frankie



Coconut

Recipe of the Month

Submitted by Tara DeCoursey

Tzatziki Sauce

I absolutely love this recipe! I found this on a great website you might be familiar with, [The Mediterranean Dish](#). If not, I suggest you check them out – great, healthy recipes!

Ingredients:

- $\frac{3}{4}$ English cucumber (sometimes called a seedless cucumber), partially peeled (in other words, peel vertically, leaving some 'stripes' of the peel); then slice
- 1 tsp kosher salt, divided
- 4-5 garlic cloves, peeled, and finely grated or minced (I personally use 3 garlic cloves and its plenty)
- 1 tsp white vinegar
- 1 tbsp Extra Virgin Olive Oil
- 2 cups Greek yogurt (I use organic, fat free, but you can use any kind)
- $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp ground white pepper
- Warm pita bread and some sliced vegetables for serving

Directions:

- In a food processor, grate the cucumber slices. Toss with $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp of the kosher salt. Transfer to a fine mesh strainer over a deep bowl to drain.
- Spoon the grated cucumber into a cheese cloth or a double-thick napkin and squeeze dry. Set aside briefly.
- In a large mixing bowl, add the garlic, the remaining $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp salt, white vinegar, and the extra virgin olive oil – mix to combine.
- Add the grated cucumber to the large bowl with the garlic mixture. Stir in the yogurt and white pepper. Combine thoroughly. Cover tightly and refrigerate for a couple of hours.
- When ready to serve, stir the tzatziki sauce to refresh it and transfer to a serving bowl – drizzle a little more extra virgin olive oil. Enjoy with some warmed pita bread and/or your favorite veggies!

A Very Successful Easter Egg Hunt



The Winners



Thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of the Easter Egg Hunt. Do to the the generosity of those who contributed candy and prizes we were able to plant over 200 eggs throughout the Dunes. I would especially like to thank Loretta and Lin who spent over 2 hours with me planting the eggs. I think we had as much fun hiding the eggs as the kids did finding them.



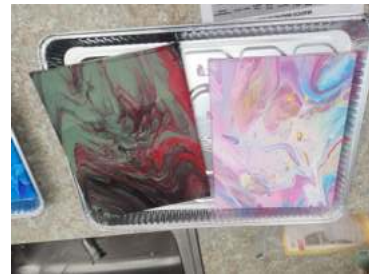
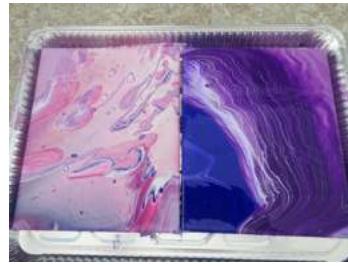
Paint Pouring by the Pool



The Artists



The Masterpieces



Thank You Luncheon for Jerry



First Impressions – Entry Spaces

Ideal Entry

Take a moment to envision what your ideal entry would look like - an entry that looks good, feels good, and might even boost your mood when you walk in the door. Once you've done the first step, now you are ready to find “homes” for the items you use the most: bags, shoes, jackets, dog leashes, keys, sunglasses, etc. Take a moment to jot down an inventory of the items that frequently come and go in your home.



Here are a few examples to get you started:

- Mail
- Coats
- Umbrellas
- Bags & Backpacks
- Reusable Shopping Bags
- Shoes
- Sunglasses
- Keys
- Hats
- Hand Sanitizer & Masks
- Scarves
- Dog Leashes
- Baby Gear

A Place for Everything and Everything in its Place

Now that you have your list, you will want to create a clear “home” for each item in your entry. You will want to store daily-use items in easy-to-access areas.



Here are some great ideas for creating a functional entry space:

- Shoe Storage – Ikea has great storage options, but you could also use a basket or place shoes under a bench. The key is to limit the number of shoes in your entry way. If you live in a cold or wet climate, add a boot tray for wet, muddy shoes.
- Hooks – Use hooks for bags, backpacks, coats, hats, keys and even dog leashes.
- Tray or Bowl – Use a woven tray or wooden bowl as a catchall for wallets, sunglasses, or keys.
- Labeled Bins or Baskets – I have two baskets, one for outgoing items and one for items that need to be brought upstairs.
- Inbox – Use a tray, bin, or wall-mounted pocket to collect mail, action items, and school forms.
- Bench – Having a spot to put on and take off shoes will help keep your house tidy. Choose an option that can store shoes underneath for double-duty functionality.
- Umbrella Stand – I found an attractive container to store umbrellas.



Elements for a Stylish Entry

Rug – Consider adding a simple, stylish doormat to help keep your floors clean. You can choose a beautiful dhurrie rug or a more durable water hog but remember that it is one of the first things people see when they come inside.

Lighting – Add a table lamp or pendant with a lower wattage bulb for a cozy, inviting vibe.

Personality – Add photos or fun art that showcase your style.

Mirror – A mirror will reflect light and gives you the opportunity for a quick check before heading out the door.

Plant/Flowers – Adding a natural element freshens up your space.

Once you have your entry set up, you will want to maintain the space with these simple tips:

- Put mail, bills, and action items in your inbox immediately.
- Put away extra shoes daily.
- Hang hats, bags, and coats as soon as you walk inside.
- Rotate out seasonal items.

Visit <https://www.majesticmeadows.blog> to learn more about making your indoor and outdoor spaces unique and beautiful.

The Crime/Mystery Edition – Across The Pond!!

The Gentlemen is an English crime drama series airing on Netflix. This witty, action crime series is created by Guy Ritchie, and is based on his 2019 movie of the same name. The series (8 episodes) began airing on Netflix in March and it's terrific! The story centers on Edward Horniman, who unexpectedly inherited an estate and the title of Duke of Halstead at the reading of the last will and testament of his deceased father. He quickly learns that the land has become part of a marijuana-growing empire run by Susie Glass. He must navigate the world of these nefarious, dangerous characters and their equally evil agendas, while trying to protect his home and stay alive.

Broadchurch is not new, but so engrossing, that it's worth reminding folks it's still out there to watch! This British crime mystery begins when the corpse of an 11-year old British boy (Danny Latimer), is found bloodied and dirty on a beach, in the small community of Broadchurch, in Dorset. The town becomes the focus of a police investigation and media mayhem, Out-of-town Detective, Inspector Alec Hardy gets the lead position over Detective Sgt. Ellie Miller, who feels the job should have been hers. Now she must make this working relationship with Hardy a success. Slowly, more members of the community of Broadchurch are drawn into the investigation, with one character bringing attention to himself because of a special connection to the case. And, while all this is going on, Danny's family tries to cope with their grief as they navigate the media attention, a named suspect and a subsequent trial. The series is 3 seasons long, and you can find it on Amazon Prime and Apple TV+.

Luther is a British psychological crime thriller series starring **Idris Elba** (need I say more???) as DCI John Luther. The story of Detective Luther is actually broken down into different 'sub series' (5 in all), which first aired in 2010, and concluded in 2019. In the first series, Detective Luther works for the Serious Crime Unit – he is dedicated, obsessive, possessed and sometimes violent. While the job always comes first, he has never been able to prevent himself from being consumed by the darkness of the crimes he deals with – truly a heavy price to pay for dedication!!

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BIG (and little) DOG RANCH RESCUE DONATIONS

If you have any bed linens, towels, rags, small rugs, bath rugs or blankets that you do not need, please donate to this local dog rescue site. Drop them off on the front porch of 1005. Or, you can call me to pick up from you. Carol 561-758-3361. If I don't answer, please leave a message. I will take all donations (year round) to the rescue site in Loxahatchee. They constantly need these items.

Unopened treats also needed.

Thank you so much for your consideration and caring spirit.

Carol Kelley 1005



Once upon a time, there was a woman named Pancake Patty. She didn't always have that name, it used to be simply, "Patty". But she thought it was a good idea to walk through the automobile gate entrance to her community instead of using the pedestrian gate.

The end.

Too many people, especially the bike riders, are still not using the pedestrian gate. There is a danger of serious injury if you walk or ride through the Automobile gates.



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Keep the Dunes Beautiful

There is no Maid service at the pool!

Please clean up after yourself. All litter should be placed in the trash cans. Umbrellas should be closed when you leave to prevent damage to them. Please rinse off any sand before entering either the pool or the spa. Sand damages the filters. If you turn the fans or the TV on please shut them off when you leave. If no one is at the pool when you are leaving and you see them on, please turn them off.

A Reminder:

Please hold the pool gate until it is shut.

Please do not let the pool gates slam. Aside from being annoying, it will damage the gate.



Please pick up after your pet

So you walk your dog and he/she poops. You pick it up in a poop bag, tie it in a neat knot, and place it on top of the bag dispenser and you think your job is done. **WRONG!** Take it to the dumpster, now your job is done.



Games Available at the Pool and by the Tennis Courts

There are a variety of games in the cabinet located under the books at the pool. Feel free to borrow one. Play at the pool or bring it home to play. Just be sure to return it to the cabinet when you are done with it. If you have a game or puzzle you no longer want place it in the cabinet for others to enjoy. A Giant Connect Four game is available to play at the pool. Please be sure to put the discs back on the holder.

At the tennis courts, in the bin with the bocce balls is a mini version of cornhole. It is for everyone's use. Please be sure to return the pieces to the bin when you are done playing and close the bin to prevent water from ruining the equipment. The horseshoes have been replaced and can be found in the horseshoe pit.

Lost and Found

A bin has been placed behind the bar area at the pool. If you have left anything at the pool check the bin.

Refrigerator Rules



Anything left in the refrigerator will be discarded.

Reminders to all Residents

ALL changes to the exterior of your home require Board approval. An Architectural Change form must be submitted to Summer **before** doing any work. This form may be downloaded from the Villas of Ocean Dunes website.

Dumpsters

Contractors are to haul away any debris they create. Please tell them that they are not to use the garbage bins!

Bags with cans and bottles must never be placed in the recycle bins. Empty the bags!

Cardboard boxes must be collapsed. If they are too large they should be placed in the large dumpster.

Parking

Parking is a huge issue in the community. Please use your assigned spots. Guest spots are not for the use of owners on a constant basis. There is overflow parking at the tennis court or at the pool.

No street parking is allowed. Emergency vehicles, waste management trucks and your neighbors need to be able to pass. Do not leave your car in the street overnight!

Tennis Courts

No pets, roller skaters, baby carriages or bicycles are allowed on the tennis courts at any time. They damage the court surface.



A Note from the Editors

**Thank you to all our contributors.
Without you, this newsletter would
not be possible.**

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Kay, Tara, Summer and Lin for
their monthly contributions.**

