

March 2023

The Gazebo



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PLANTATION

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Message from the President:

March is sweeping in and the evidence is everywhere—budding trees, bulb flower sprouts, squirrels becoming more active and pollen sticking to everything! This time of year is Mother Nature’s way of rising from the deep sleep of winter and promising beauty and bounty. Many of our residents enjoy Spring cleaning projects, gardening (flower and edible gardens) and spending more time outside. This also means our younger residents are out more. Drivers, as you head home or head out, please, proceed with extreme caution. Walkers, joggers, children on bikes, dogs, and motorcycles are all out enjoying the beautiful streets of our neighborhood. The speed limit is 20 MPH. This edition of the Gazebo is dedicated to the outdoors and lists some highlights from the February Board meeting.

On behalf of your 2023 SPHA Board of Directors, thank you for your support and we look forward to working with you.

Board Meeting Highlights

Several pieces of information regarding the ongoing drainage projects and the lake maintenance were presented. The status of multiple projects will be discussed at the March board meeting.

A long-term infestation of termites was discovered at the front entry gatehouse. The damage is extensive and termite treatment and repairs to the building were discussed. Both began in late February and will continue through March.

You may have noticed extensive landscape work on all sides of the entry to the subdivision over the winter months. The removal/pruning phase is complete! The next phase will include new plants and refinement.

The Social Committee is hosting a Spring Craft night on March 7, 2023, at 7 pm. The group will be making a St. Patrick’s Day themed wreath. All supplies will be provided. All are welcome but an RSVP is appreciated to ensure all participants have enough supplies.

The Silverwood Plantation Garage Sale is set for May 13, 2023.

Committee Information

All committee and board members are volunteers. The old adage of “Many hands make light work” is very true. Below is the list of committees that are active in our subdivision. If you see one that you could dedicate 1 hour a week toward, please, reach out to the board for information.

- Welcome Committee
No monthly meetings are scheduled
- Social Committee
Meet once a month
- Road and Drainage Committee
Meet once a month
- SARC Committee
- Front Sign Committee
Replacement planned for 2024
- Election Committee
Serves once a year in Oct and Nov
- Finance Committee
- Gate Committee
Meets as needed.
New security plan being developed June 2023
- Covenant Committee

Send the office an email at
silverwoodplantation@outlook.com if you would like
more information or would like to join!

Covenant Compliance Corner

This month's focus: Lamp Posts

1. Photometric lamp components ensure that all lights will be on during the lowest level of natural light. Not only does this increase the security of our roads, it also reduces wasted electricity.
2. The color listed in the Covenants and Restrictions is Satin Finish, Black.
3. The lenses around the light bulbs are removable, washable and can be replaced. For most of the lamps in the subdivision, replacement lenses can be purchased from the HOA for only \$8 each. Even if they don't need replacing, having them removed and cleaned once a year (Spring Cleaning, maybe) will help elongate the life of the light bulb and improve the lighting.

GAZEBO Newsletter Request

If you are a business owner and would like to get your name/company/service out to your neighbors, send information to the office by email or drop off information to the mail slot at the clubhouse.

Suggestions for Gazebo news ideas are always welcome.



Benefits of Companion Planting

There are many benefits to companion planting. Most gardeners would agree, the more help you can get to achieve a productive, fruitful garden, the better! What and how can companion planting help?

- **Natural Supports** – Plants and flowers that grow tall and strong will lend themselves as natural, organic supports to crops that grow low or sprawl. An example of this would be planting tall sunflowers next to cucumbers or snap peas. The sprawling crops can use the taller plants as a trellis.
- **Plant Health** – Growing plants next to their companions can improve the overall health of both plants. By eliminating competition between plants, you allow one to absorb what it may need without depriving the other. Additionally, as nutrients are pulled from the soil by one plant, the result can actually change the entire biochemistry of the soil. And when done right, the soil can then change or improve the flavor of other plants in the area.
- **Optimize Soil** – A plant's root system can easily affect the soil it is in. Plants with long taproots like parsnips and carrots will lift nutrients from the depths of the soil. The nutrients can then benefit those plants with shallow root systems. Nitrogen is also important to many plants, and some, such as peas and beans, actually help to draw nitrogen in, making it more available in the soil for the plants that need it.
- **Prevent Weeds** – Alternating upright plants and sprawling ones can create a thicker cover across the majority of the open land in your garden area, which will ultimately prevent weeds.
- **Regulate Shade & Wind** – Too much sun can damage tender and fragile plants. Companion planting can help prevent this by offering shelter as taller plants protect smaller ones. The same is true for wind. The taller and larger plants will offer protection from harsh winds.

President Denise McCorkhill	Vice President Jamie Pratt	Treasurer Beth Stiles	Recording Secretary Cheryl Brown	Corresponding Secretary Shea Regian
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Architecture Review Committee
Lee Huggins and Robbie Cleland
and BOD Members

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The Silverwood office hours are:
Tuesday 9:00am-12:00pm
Wednesday 11:00am-7:00pm
Thursday 9:00am- 12:00pm
and by appointments

All HOA events take place at the Clubhouse unless otherwise noted.



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To reserve the clubhouse for private use, please, check the website, silverwoodplantation.net, or contact the front office for availability.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	1	2	3	4
5	6	7 Spring Craft Night 7pm all welcome, RSVP preferred	8	9 BUNCO Social 7pm \$5 entry	10 Booked	11 Booked
12	13	14 Social Committee mtg 7pm	15	16 Monthly HOA meeting 7pm	17 St. Patrick's Day 	18 Booked
19 Booked	20 Spring Equinox	21 Road & Drainage Committee meeting 7 pm	22	23	24	25 Booked
26	27	28	29	30	31	1 Booked
2 Booked	3	Upcoming Dates of Interest: May 13, 2023 , is the Subdivision wide Garage Sale. Gates will open at 7:00 am and close at Noon.				