

# Arrowhead Estates Community News

## December 2017

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I wish you all a warm and bountiful season. As the holidays draw near and we gather with friends and family, there is much that each of us can be thankful for. We celebrate the gestures of kindness and concern that make our community a neighborhood of choice. We are working to preserve, protect and upgrade our community. None of this happens without YOU. As Arrowhead Estates HOA wraps up another year, please take a look at this past year in review:

- We celebrated the highest percentage of paid dues by homeowners.
- Our management company assigned a new CAM to our community, Richard Eckelberry.
- We hired new landscapers, Top Notch Landscaping, Inc.
- Purchased new lanterns for the front entrance.
- Another successful Easter Egg Hunt.
- We welcomed new board member, Lauren Cross and new ARB member, Debbie Crews.
- We're proud of our Beautiful Homes recipients.
- There is a new editorial section in the newsletter called "Limelight" which highlights one of our neighbors.
- A new fountain motor was installed in the pond.
- First community Scarecrow contest.
- We all survived Hurricane Irma as she blew through in September!
- Special guest speaker, Deputy Walter Wolfe along with several security companies, presented a talk on safety.
- Two community garage sales.
- Our website ([www.arrowheadestates.info](http://www.arrowheadestates.info)) is up-to-date, thanks to our web administrator.
- New light pole at the pool parking lot.

Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays! Looking forward to all 2018 has in store for us!



### NO increase in Association Dues for 2018

Homeowners' Association dues are \$625 for 2018. You have the choice of paying the whole amount by February 1, 2018 or breaking the payments up over four months. Payments MUST be made by the **FIRST** day of each month in February, March, April, and May. If payments are late, a fee will be added to the total dues owed. Be on the lookout for the new payment coupon books. The Board of Directors (BOD) recently voted to change banks to make it more convenient for you. **BB&T** was the bank of choice. They provide services to more than 8,000 community associations through automated payment processing service. Payment can be made directly to BB&T at any branch, but the bank can only accept payment WITH the coupon to make sure it is credited to the proper account. Owners need to be sure to take the coupon each time when paying at the bank.

### Homeowners' Meetings

## 2018

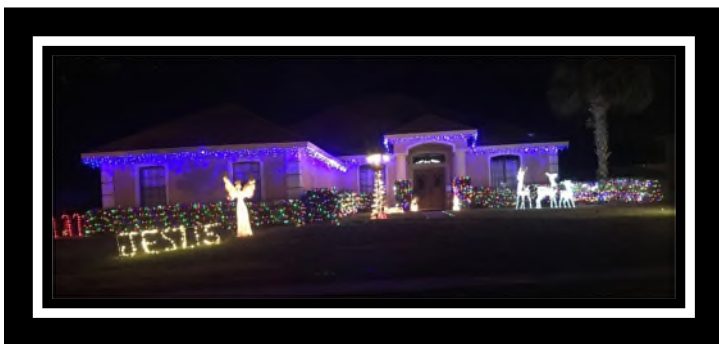


There is no meeting in December (as usual), but we hope you will join us at Clermont Baptist Church on Old Highway 50 for our next board meeting on Tuesday, **January 23rd**, at 6:30 p.m. HOA meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 6:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted. This is a good time to meet more of your neighbors and stay informed about our community. **Please try to attend. Your ideas and input are very important to us.** We welcome your attendance at every meeting throughout the year!

## ARROWHEAD ESTATES BEAUTIFUL HOME

A little about the Beautiful Home program in our neighborhood..... The **Purpose** is to encourage all residents to maintain their homes and property in such a way as to add visual beauty and value to the community. **Who is Eligible?** Residents must be in good standing at the time of judging, including being current on all dues, and having no outstanding property violations or other outstanding issues. Judges consider the condition and overall appearance of the home itself, and other structures, like fences and driveways. The committee also consider the condition and appearance of landscaping, and any seasonal decorations or details to appearance. The winner is awarded a \$50 gift card. Each resident may win only one time per calendar year.

**And the winner is:**



Congratulations to the Lange's at 16024 Arrowhead Trail. Their home was selected as this quarter's Arrowhead Estates Beautiful Home. This yard was identified as one of many award-worthy yards. The seasonal display is beautiful, and their home is well-maintained. Check it out; I'm sure that you will agree that this home is worthy of the Beautiful Home award for the final quarter of 2017.



### **DON'T FALL BEHIND ON HOME MAINTENANCE**

Fall/Winter is the perfect time to take care of the little things that can make a big difference for you and your home. Each season your

home goes through changes in temperature, weather conditions and aging.

In order to keep all the components of your home running smoothly, it's helpful to conduct seasonal maintenance.

**EXTERIOR OF HOME.** Inspect and clean gutters and downspouts to avoid water damage. Check outside faucets and hoses for leaks, fixing a leaky faucet can save you money on your water bill. Seal gaps and cracks around windows, stucco, trim, and doors with caulking. Adding weather-stripping to doors and windows will help the cold from entering your home and helps to reduce pest infiltration. Visible and not faded out numbers on your mailbox and home always need sprucing up – mostly in case of emergencies.

**YARD CARE.** Keep you trees and shrubs trimmed. Trim trees a minimum of six feet away from roof areas and feed all plants and trees with appropriate nutrient based products.

**MAINTAIN YOUR HEATING SYSTEM.** Regular replacement of filters will extend the life and efficiency of your central air system.

**CHECK YOUR SMOKE ALARM DETECTORS.** Replace the batteries in your detectors once a year, including hardwired detectors, which require batteries as a backup. Be sure to TEST.

**ADJUST CEILING FANS.** Change rotation of ceiling fan blades to circulate air upwards creating an upward draft that redistributes warm air from the ceiling to living areas.

These tips will help decrease your energy consumption, lower utility bills, and protect your investment in your home and your neighborhood.

**SEASONAL DECORATIONS** – whether it's a simple wreath, carved pumpkins and scarecrow for Halloween, or colorful holiday lights -- lend a warm and pleasant atmosphere to our community. By the time you get this issue, we will be in the middle of the holiday season. Here are a few things that should be kept in mind when decorating for the holidays:

- Please be considerate of your neighbors' sensibilities when decorating.
- Please be certain that your electrical cords and connections are in good order.
- Please turn off lighted decorations when retiring for the evening for safety reasons.
- Please water indoor live trees every day to prevent fires.
- Please remove your decorations by early January. Christmas trees are normally picked up by the County during the first two weeks of January.
- Do not dump any trees or other decorations on the common grounds or in the woods.

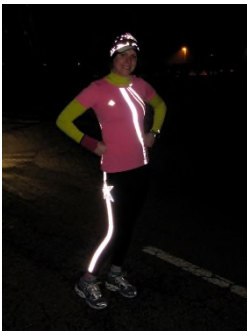
## In Loving Memory

### Remembering Elizabeth Schneider

On November 4th, the community of Arrowhead Estates received word that Elizabeth Ann Brender Goodwin Schneider passed away. She was the wife of Karl Schneider who lives on Wishing Wind Way. She also leaves behind four siblings and many dear family members. Elizabeth had many life experiences but considers one of the most memorable and worthwhile was the time she served as a missionary to the Navajo Indians in New Mexico, Arizona, and Southern Utah. She also enjoyed cooking, crafting, prose, poetry, sports, and genealogy.

The family is grateful for your many kindnesses in thought and deed, and for your attendance at Elizabeth's funeral service. She will always be missed and never forgotten.

### Can You Be Seen In the Dark?



There is danger in the dark: drivers of vehicles who can't see. Those of you who walk, run, or ride bikes after dark, please consider wearing light-colored clothing and something reflective like tape, a vest, belt, or hat. Florida Law states that cyclists must ride with traffic (not against it) and

use a headlight and taillight on their bicycles when riding after dark. A flashlight will also provide additional illumination for walkers. A little common sense precaution can prevent a tragedy.

### Drive Carefully

It's not only cars that can be recalled by their maker.



**Parking:** "No vehicle may be parked in the community except on paved streets and paved driveways." **Please do NOT park on the cul-de-sac medians, sidewalks, or neighborhood right-of-ways.** Please call Lake County Code Enforcement for violations: **352-742-3950** or visit

Lake County Code Enforcement website at [https://www.lakecountyfl.gov/departments/community\\_safety\\_and\\_compliance/code\\_enforcement/](https://www.lakecountyfl.gov/departments/community_safety_and_compliance/code_enforcement/) The Code Enforcement Services Division provides fair and equitable enforcement of Lake County citizens with the goal of protecting property rights and land value, ensuring health and safety, and encouraging citizens to observe and maintain a higher quality of life.

### Arrowhead Estates Neighborhood Facebook Page and Website

Did you know that Arrowhead Estates neighborhood has a Facebook group to help neighbors keep in touch? Join <https://www.facebook.com/groups/ArrowheadEstates> to post about lost/found pets, news of interest to neighbors, and any other information that will help us get to know our neighbors and stay connected. (Please note that this group is not open to non-residents.) To date over 90 neighbors have joined the group. Don't delay – Join Today!!!

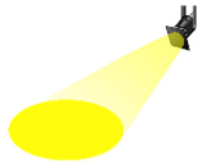
Our website address: [www.arrowheadestates.info](http://www.arrowheadestates.info)  
If you missed an HOA meeting, all minutes are posted after approved. We also post newsletters, ARB forms, contact information and other important information. If you have any issues with the website, please email the website administrator at: [site-Admin@arrowheadestates.info](mailto:site-Admin@arrowheadestates.info).

### CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS



Unity in our community, in our neighborhood! The first thing I think about when I think of "unity" is a group of people working towards the same goal. In this case, it is the goal of making our neighborhood the best it can be, a safe place and a desirable area to live and call home. We value each person in our community. It takes all of us to make a team. Our main events or activities have been the neighborhood garage sales, Beautiful Home award, Easter Egg Hunt, Fall Festivals, distribution of newsletters, our website/Facebook page and holiday decorating. Think of the words of Mother Teresa: "I can do things you cannot. You can do things I cannot. Together we can do great things." We need you! Not sure what's involved? Your neighbors will thank you and your neighborhood will look better, too! Please contact a Board member to let us know how you would like to volunteer. Our contact information is in this newsletter.

## THIS MONTH'S LIMELIGHT



Shelly Linder has been a happy resident of Arrowhead Estates since March of 2015. She has three sons ranging from 25 to 15 and a beautiful granddaughter.



She is a local Realtor and has enjoyed her occupation since 2002.

Shelly is a dog lover and spends time volunteering at the Lake County Animal Shelter where there are so many beautiful pets just waiting for a loving forever home. If you are looking for a pet, please consider a

rescue from [lakecountyfl.gov/lcas](http://lakecountyfl.gov/lcas)

She also enjoys walking her own dog Cooper around Arrowhead Estates and meeting other residents and their four-legged friends. Some other interests are running, biking, painting, playing guitar, piano, and even the ukulele! Shelly recently participated in the America's Mighty Warriors Military Race in Clermont and finished **FIRST** in her age group and 12th Overall (out of 109! Quite a feat!). Congratulations!!

Shelly has called Clermont home since 1981 and enjoys all of the outdoor amenities that our town offers and loves that the bike trail is just outside our entrance. We are so thankful to have Shelly and her sons as our neighbors! If you see her along the trail, please say "Hi!"

This is a fairly new (and hopefully recurring) feature in our newsletter designed to help foster a sense of community in Arrowhead Estates. We hope that you enjoy it and will contribute to it. We cannot thank and celebrate everyone in our HOA, but with your help, we hope to acknowledge most. If you have something you would like to post in our Limelight section, please submit your information and a picture to [President@arrowheadestates.info](mailto:President@arrowheadestates.info). Your neighbors would love to hear about it! We are looking for the next Neighborhood Limelight. Would you like to be our featured guest? Do you own a restaurant/salon, provide a service, have an interesting business/hobby, have a pet story you'd like to share, piano/musical instrument instructor, etc.? Perhaps you have a student in High School or College who will be graduating this school year?

Or an athlete who has made great strides?? We would love to highlight you or your family. Help support small business, our fellow neighbors, and our community.

## You're a mean one, Mr. Grinch...



Unfortunately, as the holidays approach, the thieves start licking their chops. Don't forget to take steps to secure your home such as informing a neighbor, re-routing mail/packages if traveling, or enabling the alarm. Keep valuables out of your car and keep the doors locked. Never post your departure on social media sites. These simple steps among others will certainly help deter unwanted guests and avoid headaches upon your return. In order to keep our homes more secure, everyone should be alert and report suspicious activity. If you have non-emergency questions or concerns, call the Lake County Sheriff's Office at 352-343-2101. If it is a situation needing immediate action, call 911.

## Lake County Phone Numbers

Traffic Safety 625-742-1766

Code Enforcement 352-343-9639

Animal Control 352-343-9688

## ARB Committee Members:

Don Hughes .....407-656-4722

Dave Springer.....407-347-8190

Debra Crews .....352-255-3297

Herbie Wallace...407-656-4763

Don't forget that improvements and changes that affect the exterior of our homes/yards need the approval of the ARB **BEFORE** starting the work. If you need help with guidance or approval, feel free to call one of the ARB members listed above.

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**HURRICANE  
IRMA  
SURVIVOR**



September, 2017

**HURRICANE SEASON IN REVIEW:** The 2017 hurricane season came to a close on November 30<sup>th</sup>, and the season was anything but quiet. The season had 17 named storms, making it tied with 1936 as the fifth-most active season since reliable records began in 1851. Hurricane Irma was not our friend, but she came to visit. She brought extended cable and power outages and roof and tree damage. We remind our community to remember the dangers of hurricanes and other hazards. It only takes one major storm to devastate a community. When the 2018 Hurricane Season rolls around, keep in mind: **Get a Plan, Stay Prepared, and Remain Informed All Year Round.** Here are some pics from the neighborhood:



