

First Quarter 2018

2017 Assessments are now past due. Those homeowners who have not paid will be receiving a notice that we will be placing a lien on your property until the past due amounts are paid.

Per Florida Statute 720.303 a copy of the 2017 financial report is available upon written request to the Association

The first highway in Orlando was Colonial Drive, which was originally paved brick.

Orlando Public Library is the largest public library building in the state of Florida

Likely between 350-400 years old, the oldest tree in Orlando is located at Big Tree Park on North Thornton Avenue

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Playground

The playground structure was removed last year and one new playground structure was erected. In 2018 another structure will be added. Both structures are for young children to deter adolescents from "hanging out" at the playground and causing damage and disruption to surrounding neighbors.

Signs

"...no sign of any character shall be displayed or placed upon any Lot or living unit except "for rent" or "for sale" signs, which signs may refer only to the particular premises on which displayed, shall not exceed six (6) square feet in size, shall not extend more than four (4) feet above the ground, and shall be limited to one (1) sign per Lot or living unit."

Exterior Light Fixtures

"No exterior lighting fixtures shall be installed on any Lot or residential dwelling without adequate and proper shielding of the fixtures. No lighting fixture shall be installed that may become an annoyance or a nuisance to the residents of adjacent properties."

Animals, Birds and Fowl

"No Animals, livestock **or poultry of any kind shall be raised, bred or kept on any Lot**, except for a reasonable number of dogs, cats or other household pets may be kept provided that they are not kept, bred or maintained for any commercial purposes..."

Combat Auto Theft

Don't Make It Easy for Car Thieves

Want to make your vehicle less attractive to car thieves? The quicker a car thief can steal your vehicle, the more attractive it is. Anything you can do to slow down professional car thieves or joy-riders will make your vehicle a less appealing target.

What You Can Do

Here are some ways recommended to help drivers protect their vehicles:

- 1. Keep your vehicle locked at all times, even while driving.
- 2. When parked, never leave your keys in the car. Close all the windows and the sunroof.
- 3. Never leave your car running and unattended.
- 4. Avoid leaving valuables inside your vehicle where passersby can see them.
- 5. Do not leave your vehicle title in the car. Too often a car thief is pulled over and gets away from the police because he or she can produce the auto registration. (If multiple drivers use the vehicle, the best suggestion would be to hide the registration in a secret location in the car that only the owners know.)
- 6. Know where you're going. Avoid known high crime areas even if the alternate route takes longer.
- 7. Install an anti-theft system in your vehicle if it doesn't have one. Thieves are reluctant to steal vehicles if they know the cars can be recovered quickly. Many insurers offer discounts for the types of systems listed below.
- 8. Thieves prefer to work in the dark. Be particularly cautious at night about where you park your car. Park it in a well-lit area if possible.
- 9. Look around. Be aware of your surroundings, especially in garages, parking lots and gas stations.
- 10. Have your car's vehicle identification number (VIN) etched on each of the windows. Car thieves want to get off cheap. They don't want to go to the expense of replacing all the glass.
- 11. On an incline, leave your car in park or in gear with the wheels turned toward the curb or some other obstruction. This makes it harder for thieves to tow your vehicle.
- 12. If confronted by a carjacker, do not resist. Cars can be replaced; you can't

Types Of Anti-Theft Systems

- A mechanism that locks onto the steering wheel can be a very visible sign that you've taken steps to protect your vehicle
- Ignition cut-off systems that prevent a car from being started
- Some new cars come with passive alarms that activate automatically when the key is removed from the ignition
- One system emits a signal that can be tracked by the police

Who You're Dealing With

Professional Thieves

- Professionals commit the majority of auto thefts
- They prefer high-performance cars, as well as less exotic, more popular models whose parts are interchangeable
- These thieves usually turn the cars they steal over to "chop shops," which dismantle them and sell the parts
- They also steal cars for export to other countries, often "stealing to order" to fulfill requests for certain types of vehicles

Joy-Riders

Joy-riders favor high-performance or luxury cars. These cars are usually recovered but often suffer significant damage.

"Bump-and-Rob"

Carjackers may bump your car from the rear, then steal it when you get out to look for damage. When stopped at a traffic light, leave room to maneuver around the vehicle ahead if you need to.

If another car bumps yours and you feel threatened, drive to a populated area or, if you have a cellular phone, call the police for assistance.



BULKY ITEM COLLECTION

Large items will be automatically collected every week on Thursday.

Please do not place anything by the curb until the night before scheduled pick

up.

Your 95-gallon garbage/recycling bins

Many homeowners are not storing their bins but rather leaving them in front of the garage or on the side of the house. NO ONE wants to see (or smell) your garbage can.

REFUSE. No trash, garbage, rubbish, debris, waste or materials or other refuse shall be deposited or allowed to

accumulate or remain on any lot... containers must be tied and closed at all times and **kept from view by the public or residents within the vicinity**. Said containers shall not be placed at StreetSide for removal of refuse prior to the

evening before the announced pickup time. Said containers must be returned to the utility yard or enclosure within

eight (8) hours after announced pickup time.

Your Homeowner Covenants require you to store them in a location which is NOT visible from the street. Which means you keep them in your fenced back yard, in your garage or create a buffer so that the cans cannot been seen from the street. You can create that by using **fencing or dense shrubs** in an "L" shape to shield the cans from view. Start creating your buffer now so that you can shield your cans

Please be mindful of your neighbors and do not encroach on their property.

Keeping your garbage and garbage cans out of view is not a suggestion, it is part of the agreement you made when you purchased or rented the property and will be enforced.

Recycling: With the new 1-1-1 Automated Curbside Collection Program, homeowners will no longer need to separate their recyclables. The new recycling process will allow homeowners to place their recycled items together into the large County-issued roll cart with the blue lid for collection. Each recycling roll cart will be imprinted with a list of items that are both accepted and not accepted for recycling

A Special Note to Owners who rent their property. You must NOT empty your rental property between renters by piling it on the curb for weeks. Please plan and contact Orange County to schedule a pick up BEFORE you place large items by the curb.

Watering for Orange County		unty	See a street light out?		
	Homes with	Homes		Inoperative Vehicle?	
Time of year	odd- numbered addresses	with even- numbered addresses	Nonresidential properties	Trash piled up on lot? YOU can call 3-1-1 Or report online anonymously 311onlinerequests.ocfl.net/portal/default.aspx	
November 5- March 11, 2017	Saturday	Sunday	Friday	<u>3110mmerequests.ocn.net/portal/default.aspx</u>	



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The Homeowners Association official address for each homeowner is the address you have at the Orange County Property Appraisers. If you want your Homeowners mail delivered to a different address, you need to send us that request in writing.

Local Numbers

Waterbridge Elementary	407-858-3190
Hunters Creek Middle	407-858-4620
Freedom High	407-816-5600
Pre-Kindergarten Office	407-317-3522
Pupil Assignment	407-317-3233
Consumer Fraud Investigative Unit	407-836-2490
Cooperative Extension Service	407-836-7570
Non-Emergency Fire Rescue	407-629-7592
Non-Emergency Sheriff's Office	407-737-2400

Orange County Government Services....3-1-1Orange County Library407-858-4779Property Appraiser....407-836-5000Supervisor of Elections....407-836-2070



Garbage Service Days

WednesdayGarbage Collection Thursday.....Recycling Thursday.....Yard Waste CALL 407-836-6601 For Bulk Waste pick up

Contact Information

You can contact the board via e-mail at: <u>skylakesouth@cfl.rr.com</u>, or on the website <u>www.skylakesouth.info</u>

Phone or fax: 407-855-6919

It's YOUR neighborhood too.

We hope that you will take advantage of this opportunity to give the board constructive feedback about the neighborhood or make suggestions.