

# The Cottages

A photograph of a coconut palm tree with several coconuts hanging from its trunk, set against a blue sky with light clouds. The tree is the central focus, with its fronds spreading out in all directions. The coconuts are clustered in the middle of the tree, and some are still attached to the trunk. The sky is a clear, light blue, and there are some wispy clouds. The overall scene is tropical and serene.

## Hurricane

Cleanup & Repairs Begin  
Cottages Contractors Respond

# *Quick response by Green Acres*

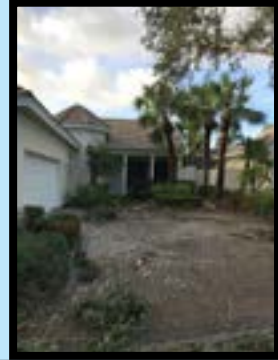
*Steve Kubicsek mobilized his crews as fast*



Green Acres was facing the same hurricane problems that all businesses and residents were experiencing. Limited supplies for his crews - water, ice and food. Gas was short and lines were long. Some employees were not able to make it to work. However, Steve gave the Cottages priority and targeted critical areas first. Many

fallen trees and branches in the Cottages had to be cut up and moved off the road to permit traffic movement. Truck loads of debris had to be swept, loaded and hauled away. Driveways were cleared.

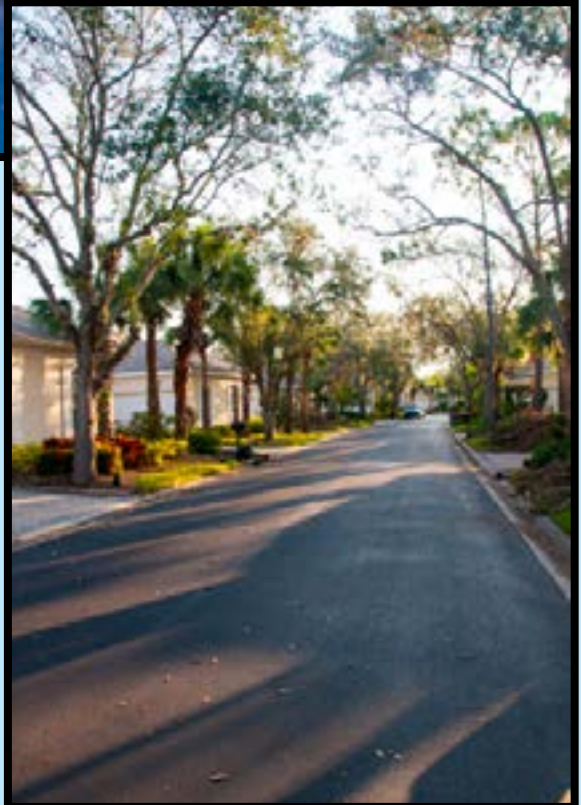
Cut branches were temporarily piled on the front lawns off the roadway to be removed at a later date.



# *Cottages “starting” to look great again*

*We had a mess to clean up but our homes were not a disaster.*

*It took several day to clean up but  
we were ahead of most communities.*



*Final mulching of branches that were piled along Olde Cottage Lane*




Fallen branches that had been cut up that were piled on lawns are mulched for removal.

*Almost there - blowing & pick-up of debris*

*Green Acres crew cleans around residents houses*





*Clean again!*  
*Almost hard to tell there was a hurricane*

*Thanks Steve*  
*And thanks to John and the*  
*Cottages crew for all of their*  
*hard work in getting the*  
*Cottages back to looking great*  
*in such a short time!*

*View of Olde Cottage Lane*  
*Thursday, Sept. 21, 2:00 pm*

*Areas of Pelican Landing still look like a war zone.*



*Photos of nearby communities that still await cleanup; the Cottages looks good.*



## *IRMA takes a swim in our pools!*

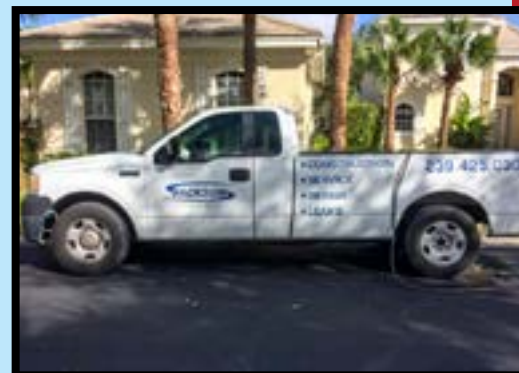
### *Jacek of Jackson Pools begins hurricane clean up*

**A**s you are probably already aware from Jackson correspondence most of our Cottages pools are in bad need of hurricane recovery. Jacek has started the process and is only able to work on a reduced number of pools per day. The process involves heavy shocking to clear the algae. The clearing process takes several days with the pool pump running. Some pools are so green that the bottom cannot be seen. Once the water is clear the pools are vacuumed and the chemical balance is checked. Chlorine, PH and alkalinity are

adjusted as necessary. After running the pumps for a period of time the pool filters will filter out the dead algae and other debris. Then the filters will either be cleaned or replaced as necessary. Getting the chemistry re-balanced could take several weeks.

Circulating water is critical to the process of clearing up the algae. We all like to save money on electricity but Jacek recommends keeping our pool filters running at least 8 hours a day during the hot summer months.

To make matters worse many of our pool pumps were shut down by the storm and need to be repaired or replaced. Jacek has been in the Cottages almost every day working on our pools.



## *Irrigation system needs work*

**D**an has been inspecting our irrigation system since the hurricane to check for mainline leaks and to program the controllers that lost power. He found two controllers that need to be replaced, possibly from power surges during the electrical line work. Otherwise, the system seems to be in good shape. He will return to do the monthly maintenance, repair the some broken lines, and to replace the controllers as soon as possible.



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