

A scenic landscape at sunset. The sky is filled with dramatic, colorful clouds in shades of orange, yellow, and blue. In the foreground, there is a lush green lawn that slopes down towards a calm pond. The pond reflects the vibrant colors of the sunset. In the background, there are several trees, including a prominent palm tree on the right side. A small house is visible in the distance, partially obscured by the trees.

# *The Cottages*

*Newsletter*  
*Spring 2022*

# *President's Message*



Kiki Scovel

## *The Cottages Loves a Party*

The Annual meeting held via Zoom was very well attended, which is a commentary on how Zoom has become an ordinary part of our lives. The pizza party at the gazebo was a welcome return to our post-annual meeting tradition and it was one of the biggest party turnouts we have ever had!

## *A Lovely Street*

The Cottages streetscape is looking better than ever thanks to the cooperative efforts of the residents who have installed new grass and additional landscape improvements. I want to thank all of you for ensuring our street continues to look its best! It is this kind of neighborliness that makes serving on your Board a pleasure.

## *Road Seal Project*

In mid-May the street will be re-sealed with blacktop. Dennis Lowe is coordinating this required maintenance project. To minimize the inconvenience to residents, the road seal is planned for when the fewest number of residents are here. There can be no driving on the new road seal the day it is installed, so we ask for resident cooperation in that regard. The details are explained in this newsletter and Dennis will email a map and plan to residents. This project is weather dependent so there may be a slight fluctuation in the actual date.

*Enjoy your spring and safe travels to all!*

*Kiki*

# ***CLEAN IT UP- DRIVEWAY & ROOF CLEANING***

***Deterioration happens so gradually that we miss it. Where did that mildew on your roof come from, and when did the mold sneak up on your driveway? These are the mysteries of life that every home in Florida experiences. The growth of mold, mildew, lichens, and algae, and those green and black spots won't go away on their own. Mold growth can turn a driveway into a slipping hazard. Taking care of dirty driveways and roofs before they get noticed by the HOA is the best way to deal with these maintenance problems.***

***You are constantly using your driveway. If you aren't parking on it, your visitors are. The only time you are thinking about your driveway is when you're coming or going. Who has time to inspect it for stains? If you said, "My HOA." You would be correct!***

***If there are tire marks, dirt, or oil stains on those brick pavers, you'll get a warning letter from the HOA telling you to clean them. Driveways can easily be cleaned by the homeowner with an electric power washer. Arranging to have your driveway professionally washed and sealed will make it look like new and extend its life. Sealing driveway pavers inhibits mold growth by filling in the pores in the brick pavers. So take a look at your driveway and roof today and clean it up!***



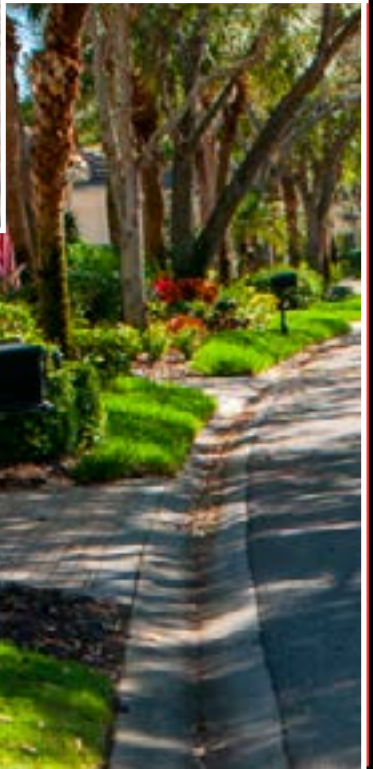
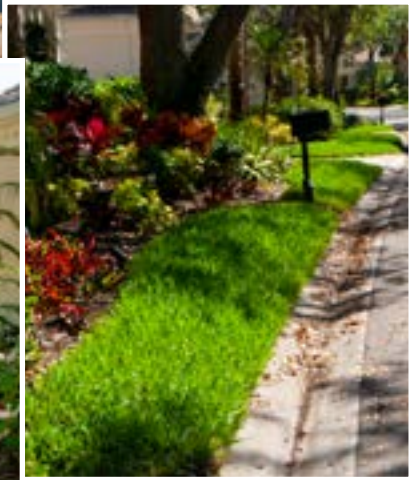
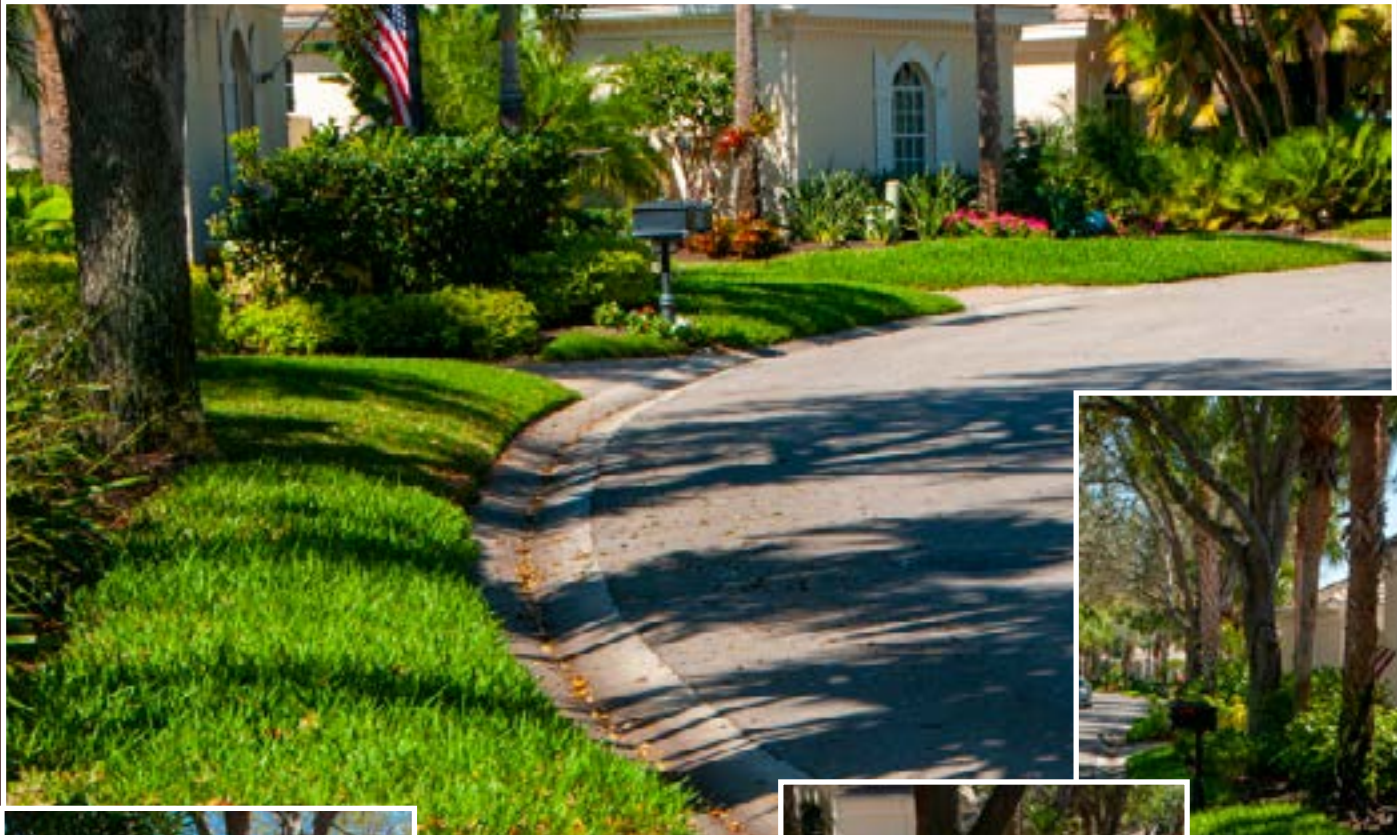
Around the Neighborhood

# Residents step up

Many enhance lawns & shrubs



Enhancing our lawns & shrubs has greatly improved the curb appeal of the Cottages streetscape and helps with resale. Thanks!



# New door paint

Paul Barnicke recently gave their front door a new coat of paint. Paul used a special paint that is more mold resistant. Paul got the Benjamin Moore paint from Ace Hardware and provided a paint sample to match the Cottages paint code for doors. Sherwin Williams should also have a mold resistant paint that they could match.



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E: FRONT DOOR is Sheet

SHERWIN-WILLIAMS 2691 09/14/16  
239-598-9171 Order# 0067667

INT/EXT IND MAINT  
INDUSTRIAL ENAMEL ALKYD  
GLOSS STANDALONE

FRONT DOOR  
CUSTOM MANUAL MATCH

BAC COLORANT	0Z	32	64	128
R3-Magenta	-	-	-	1
Y3-Deep Gold	-	1	1	-

ONE GALLON B54W00101 PURE WHITE 790799993

Cottages home sells for \$1,211,000



3661 Olde Cottage Lane



Welcome new residents  
Ty and Gretchen Nofzinger  
to The Cottages

## Twisted mailboxes

The mailboxes at  
3661/3665  
were hit by a  
recycle truck and  
needed repair.  
The contractor  
was notified and  
made the repairs.





# Woodpecker Spray

Several residents had a woodpecker protective coating applied to their foam trim a few years ago. This spray is somewhat different from the two other Cottages residents homes in that it is a cement coating that is painted white. April is mating season which should test the effectiveness of these coatings. These coatings seem to be keeping the woodpeckers away. Two contractors used were used are:

Absolute Wildlife Control  
<https://www.absolutewildlife.com>

Woodpeckers Decorative Foam & Stone  
[steve@decorativefoamandstone.com](mailto:steve@decorativefoamandstone.com)

These applications are not cheap, costing roughly \$3,000 - \$5,000 depending on the house and contractor.

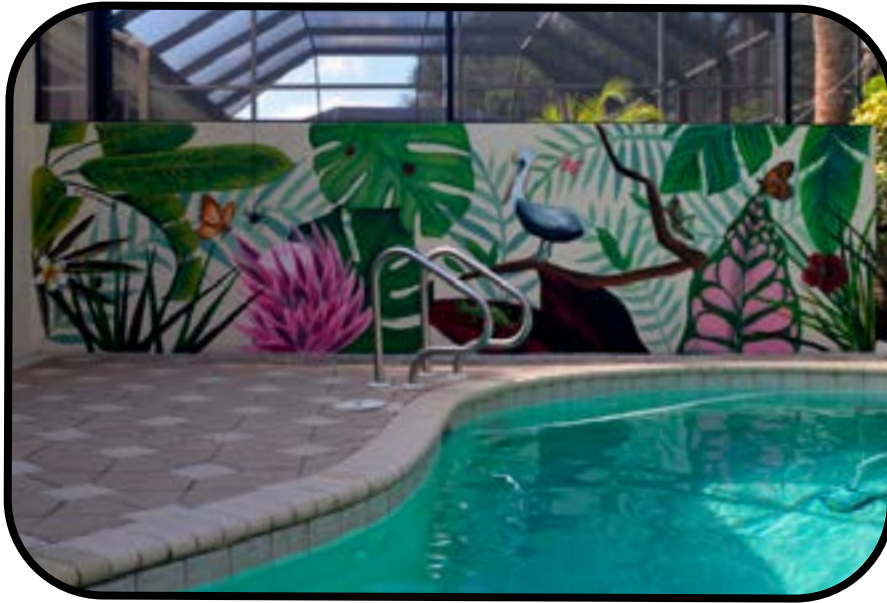




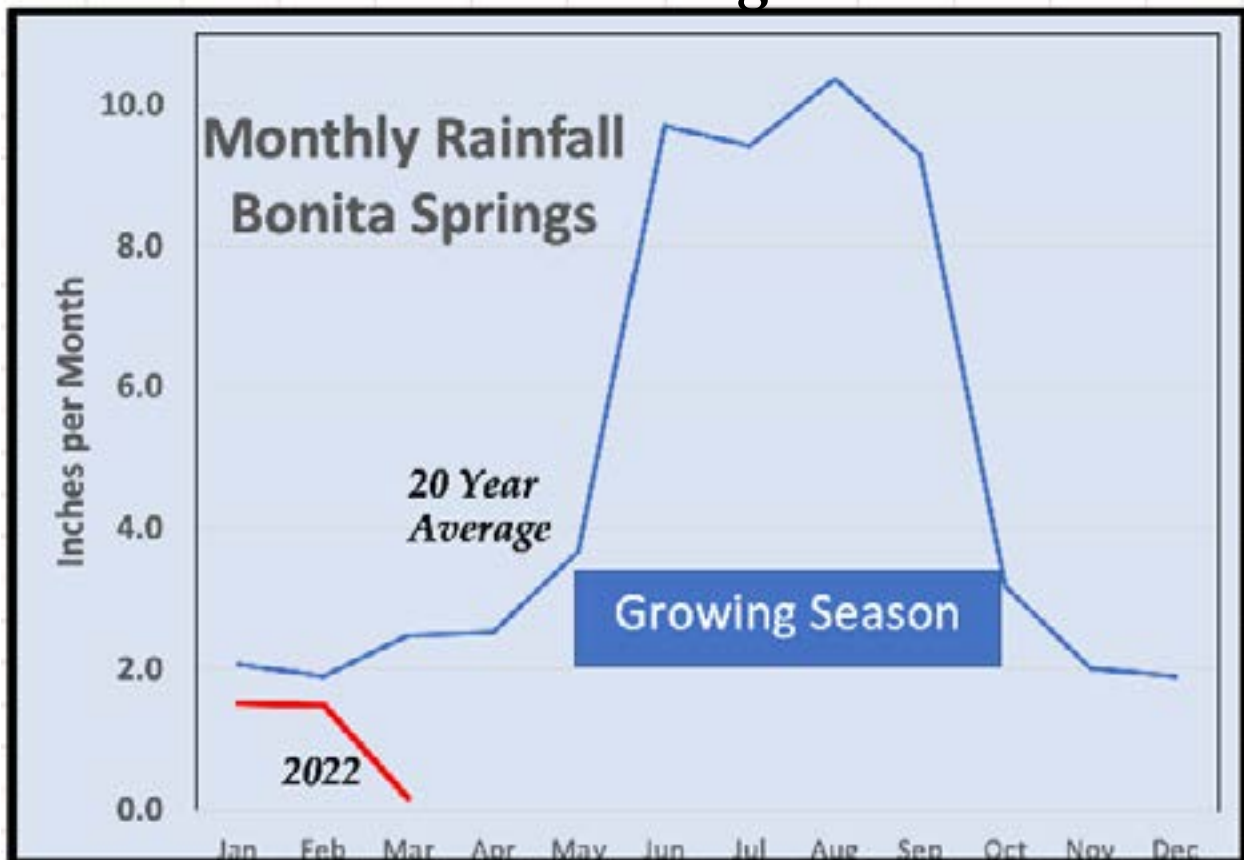
# Around the Neighborhood

## Lanai mural

John & Carolyn Roscich (3644) had a mural painted on their lanai wall.



*3.2 inches below average thru March*



# Around the Neighborhood

## Enhanced lanai cage

Liz and Tony Manzella at 3695 have painted their lanai structure and installed new screens.



Green Acres has applied pesticide

# Around the Neighborhood



Steve K. rescued a baby gopher tortoise from Carole Veltman's lawn! He released it into the reserve area behind Tom Maish's house so it would not get run over by a mower.



## *Baby gator grows up!*



Joanna Wragg  
spotted a  
bobcat on the  
golf course



## *Reminder – caution large trucks!*

*If you are having  
deliveries with large  
trucks please warn  
your contractors  
of the tight turns  
on the bends of  
Olde Cottage Lane.*



*Residents are responsible for the cost of repairing  
damage caused so please warn the contractors.*

# Maintenance News

West Coast Electric repaired the wire that had been cut in several places. This wire was only buried near the surface and was prone to cuts in the insulation causing shorts and breaker trips. The new wire has been buried in conduit 15 inches below the surface according to code.

## *Gazebo wire repair*



# *Olde Cottage Lane to be seal coated*



**O**lde Cottage Lane was re-surfaced in July 2020. The paving contractor recommended seal coating in about 2 years after the re-surface.

Bonness Paving was selected to do the work and is planned for early June 2022 when road traffic will be lower. The estimated cost will be about \$6,200 for two coats.

*More detail to follow in a few weeks.*

# *Street curb sprinkler heads damaged*



*Many of our sprinkler heads are located at the edge of the road. If cars or trucks drive onto the lawn they are likely to break the sprinkler heads. Please ask visitors and contractors to refrain from parking on the lawn. Place your recycle and trash containers as close to the curb as possible so the pickup trucks do not drive on the grass.*

*Thank you.*



*Broken  
sprinkler nozzle*

# *Entry sign repairs*

Paul Barnike made temporary repairs to the entry sign, filling rotted areas and securing weak brackets.

Kiki Scovel is forming a committee to evaluate new sign designs from possible contractors.



**Rotted wood**



**Loose bolts in rotted wood**



**Rain protection for repairs**



***Board Meetings changed to last Wednesday of each month to accomodate monthly financials***

**Cottages 2022 Board Meetings**

**Board Meetings 10:00 am *Last* Wednesday of each month  
at Pelican Landing Community Center  
(Zoom if Community Center closed)**

		Agenda Items / comments	
<b>2022</b>	April	27	
	May	25	
	June	29	<b>Meetings as necessary</b>
	July	27	
	August	31	
	September	28	
	October	26	
	November	30	
	December	28	

**2022 Property Walk-Arounds**

**Walk-Around 10:00 am 1st Friday of each month ; meet at Gazebo**

<b>2022</b>	April	1	Walk-around
	May	6	Walk-around
	June	3	Walk-around
	July	1	Walk-around
	August	5	Walk-around
	September	2	Walk-around
	October	7	Walk-around
	November	4	Walk-around
	December	2	Walk-around

# 2022 Annual Meeting

The 2022 Annual Meeting was held on Zoom. Topics discussed were: Landscaping, Website, Financial Results, Newsletters, Maintenance, Voting Results & Future Projects.

A copy of the presentation slides is available at our website:

<https://cottagespl.org>



# Pizza Social

The February 9th Pizza Social was held right after the 2022 Annual Meeting. It was a great success with 31 residents attending. Great pizza, tasty wings, great homemade cookies & keylime pie, perfect weather and lots of good conversation.







Photos by John Roscich

# Cottages Board



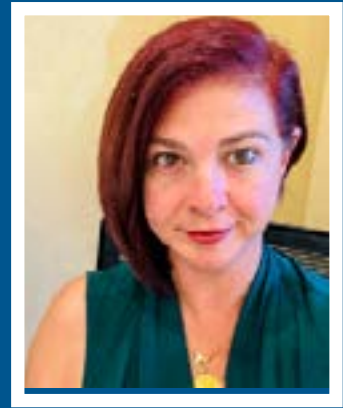
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Paul Barnicke  
Treasurer



Dennis Lowe  
Secretary /  
Maintenance /  
Newsletter



Tabetha Robinson  
Property Manager



Happy Spring!