

PORTRAITS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

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TREES AND YOU!

Unfortunately, Money does not grow on our trees. If it did, our trees would be extremely popular. From previous newsletters you know that quite a bit of time and effort has gone into what to do about the issues the large trees are causing to our sidewalks and roads. Before the Board proceeds with any of the plans it is vital that you attend the **June 13th meeting at the pool.**

There are a lot of rumors and unsubstantiated so-called facts going around Portraits. Contrary to what you may have heard., we are not Paul Bunyan and asking for volunteers to help chop down trees. We are not engaging with a Secret Society to remove our trees, and finally we have not requested that there be a committee to Hug each tree daily.

What we have done is get proposals for what can be done to mitigate

the sidewalk issues.

In the **June 13th** meeting at the pool, the Board wishes to set the record straight and have **YOU voice your opinion as to what, if any, of the proposals should go forward.**

Whether or not you have a Mahogany tree **or** are on the sidewalk side, **each Homeowner is going to be impacted by whichever path will be chosen.**

Every one of the proposals will cost **additional monies over and above your normal monthly assessment**, as currently there are no monies available in the monthly budget to address these needs.



There are multiple divergent paths that can be chosen, all with different costs and outcomes. The Board **does not want to take one more step until we know which way you want us to go.** But know, that at minimum the sidewalk issues **MUST** be addressed as soon as possible.

Your voice is important to us. Please plan to attend the meeting **JUNE 13, 2023 6:45 P.M. AT THE POOL** to fully understand what this project will mean to you.

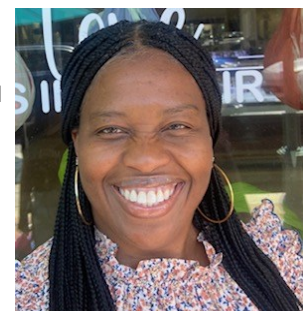
NEW BOARD MEMBER

It is with great pleasure that the Board announces that Innelle Simmons has joined our Portraits Homeowners Board as a Director.

We have had two open Director positions for some time, and are so pleased that Innelle has volunteered her time to help Portraits continue to grow.

Innelle, is a native of Georgia, but has been in Florida "for years" and resides in Portraits with her teenage daughter, Taylor.

When she's not busy being a Realtor, she's managing properties. Her goal is to assist keeping Portraits a great place to live and to help the Community in any way she can. **WELCOME INNELLE**



SHOUT OUTS!

Shout out to **Angel Mendez and Joe Pruett** who during the biblical rainstorms in April, sprung into action to relieve the flooding on 107th Ave. In the midst of the driving rain, they went to each storm drain and cleared away the leaves. Their actions allowed the water to drain off of our streets. Their actions were very much appreciated!
Thanks Angel and Joe!



Shout out to **Susanna Nye** who was extremely observant in one of her frequent walks and alerted us to a potential problem. **Thanks Susanna for being observant.**

Send Praise

Surely, you have someone you'd like to give a shout out to? Please send to us for publication in our next newsletter.



***ALL** trees in Portraits are part of the tree project. Please come to the meeting on **June 13th** to find out the progress and voice your opinion and ask questions and find out what it means for your home*

IMPROVING YOUR HOME?

One of the benefits of a Homeowners Association is the ability to create and maintain a pleasing and cohesive physical appearance within the neighborhood. To accomplish that goal, the Portraits Architectural Review committee (Board) is charged with reviewing any permanent exterior alteration or improvements. The application (ARB form) to make any changes

to the outside of your home is on our website. Please review the Architectural Guidelines that are not in our documents, but on the website, before you engage in your improvement. Please keep in mind that each homeowner, by accepting the Portraits Homeowners Association governing documents at closing, has agreed to abide by the terms of those documents.

They were created for your protection. An important provision of those documents is the mechanism for ensuring that high aesthetic standards are maintained within Portraits. If you have any questions about a project you'd like to do, please send an email to PortraitsHOA@comcast.net or contact Property Manager, Melissa.

PARKING

It has been noted that at times it could be difficult for an Emergency Vehicles or Garbage Truck to pass through some areas of our community. Both of these situations have potentially dangerous outcomes.

All Home Owners within Portraits are reminded of the following:

Parking is permitted on the swale only. Do not park where there are NO PARKING signs.

Two tires must be on the swale. Please do not block mailboxes. Please do not park in front of a neighbor's home without their permission. Make every effort to park a car across the end of your driveway horizontally. Do NOT block the sidewalk

If Emergency Vehicles can not pass through any area, any Home Owner may report this hazardous situation

by calling the Pembroke Pines Police Non-Emergency Number 954-431-2200. A Patrol Unit will then be sent, and tickets issued to ALL vehicles blocking the path of an Emergency Vehicle.

Need to Park at the Pool? Having a Party? Cleaning the Driveway? Send an email to Portraitshoa@comcast.net outlining the date, time, and number of spaces you'll need. Please include your address. You will then be contacted to come pick up a PARKING

PASS. Please try to give 48 Hours notice. Remember, **NO OVERNIGHT PARKING AT THE POOL** or Parking anytime at the 7th St Cul de Sac



For up-to-date news and information regarding FPL overall restoration progress, go to [www.FPL.com/ Power-Tracker](http://www.FPL.com/PowerTracker); visitors can also go to FPL's Storm Center Online

