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Road Petition Deadline

Anyone interested in having their road paved needs to submit their petitions no later than December 31, 2009 to the South Indian River Water Control District office. That is the deadline set for the current batch of road petitions. Any petitions received after that date will become part of potential future projects. Petitions that are validated to have at least

25% of the total residents on the street sign the request will then receive an estimate and a ballot. They will then get to vote if they want their street paved, or not, at the price given. These petitions will not be voted on as a community wide project, but on a street by street basis. Any streets where more than 50% of the votes are in favor of paving will then have their project go in front of the SIRWCD board for final approval. There have been substantial reductions in paving prices recently, so several streets in Palm Beach Country Estates have already submitted their petitions to SIRWCD. To get a sample petitions or for questions, you can call Gale English at the SIRWCD 747-0550 or Tim Brown, resident of PBCE, at 748-0709.

Why should you pay your Donald Ross Landowners Association dues?

The Donald Ross Landowners Association dues are voluntary. The Board depends on the generosity of the community in order to provide services.

For example, this newsletter. We have received lots of compliments about the newsletter but, before ads, it costs us approximately \$1,000 every time we send one. This is just the costs for printing and mailing to all of our residents. The content is free and provided by the members.

Now that the Donald Ross Road construction is nearing completion, we are refurbishing the front entrance. We pay for electricity for signage lighting and water to maintain the plantings. This is the entrance to our community and we want to make it as attractive as possible, with your help.

We pay for a street light in the community and we have helped to defray the expenses of the new park in our community. Twisty Pines has done a lot of fundraising and we have helped to make this happen.

All of this and more gets done, not through taxes, but through your voluntary contributions. Unfortunately less than half of the residents pay their voluntary contribution even though they receive a lot of the benefits. So please, if you have not already contributed for 2009, please do so now. Encourage your neighbors and friends to contribute also. We only ask for \$35 per year and hopefully you see that it is well worth it.

Contributions are also needed at this time above and beyond your \$35 dues to fund a video surveillance system so that we can catch the criminals breaking into our homes.

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Beautification of Front Entrance Sign

Joey Erbrick is a resident of PBCE and is working on becoming an Eagle Scout. Joey and his family spent a weekend cleaning, painting and planting new plants at the entrance to PBCE on 69th drive. Joey was required to secure funding and volunteers to complete a community project and we are thankful as a community to Joey and his family for their efforts.



Message from the President

There have been many exciting things happing the last couple of months in Palm Beach Country Estates. Our Neighborhood Watch has been organized.

The park has been turned over to SIRWCD and the Jog Rd. extension is almost done.

Please join the Neighborhood Watch email group and stay informed to current activities within the community. They have been very diligent at keeping neighbors informed of any suspicious or criminal activity. They have already had two meetings and have acquired a new Neighborhood Watch sign, which is now posted on 69th. They have also organized walking and biking patrols both day and night. Bill Bolds is still trying to get 35 people to commit to just a couple of hours of time so we can obtain a C.O.P. patrol car from the Palm Beach Sheriff's Office. If you are interested please give him a call at 626-7638. The next Neighborhood Watch meeting has been scheduled for September 30th. Call Cindy Divine at 744-8122 or email pbcnw@aol.com for time and location.

After YEARS of waiting the new Palm Beach Country Estates community park is finally a reality. On September 17th the deed was transferred from private ownership to the South Indian Water Control District at the SIRWCD annual meeting. Thank you Bob Berman and family for such a generous donation. Bob and the park committee have been through a lot this past year trying to get everything in order with the county in preparation for the transfer. Thank you to Wendy and Ken Tuma of Urban Design Studio for the hours and hours of time they worked to prepare the landscape design and applications for the county approvals. Even though SIRWCD now owns the property we, the community and Twisty Pines Playground Foundation, still have a lot of work to do. SIRWCD will maintain the park, but they don't have any money for improvements. This means all the county mandated requirements, like the landscape buffer and irrigation system and any amenities to be built, like the parking area, playground, pavilions, walking trial, basketball court, etc. we must raise funds for. All these projects, except the playground, which we still anticipate to be a volunteer, community built project, must be done by licensed contractors. We are still hoping to get most of the work donated or at a reduced rate. If there are any residents who own businesses who would like to submit bids for these projects contact Bob Berman at 627-1118.

Jog Rd. and Donald Ross Rd. are almost complete. October 30th is the anticipated opening. The trees that were going to be planted by the contractor in the roundabouts were cut from their budget. The county Street-

done. The county wasn't sure when the trees would be planted though and I am waiting to hear back from them. I received complaints about the bahia grass that was planted in the medians instead of St. Augustine. The county said the contractor was supposed to plant the same as the existing grass in the east end of the median, which is St. Augustine. She said she would see about them replacing it and possibly in the other medians as well. I did tell her we had numerous complaints about the uncut grass along the sidewalk and medians on Donald Ross. She said the county didn't require cutting in their old contracts. This project and others like it, that take a long time to do, have made them add that to new contracts. She said the contractor had already been notified about the issue and she would contact them again. A few days later the areas were mowed. I'd like to thank Joey Erbrick for cleaning up and replanting the front entrance signs as his Eagle Scout project. They look great Joey!

We were contacted by representatives from Eastpointe and Old Marsh

about the possibility of stray golf balls from their courses hitting cars or school busses using the new Jog Rd. extension and possibly causing an accident. They wanted the county to replace the trees they had removed or plant some other kind of buffer to possibly stop a stray golf ball. Sheri Murray and I, along with representatives from Eastpointe, Old Marsh and Mirasol met with Commissioner Marcus and representatives from the county Engineering Department and the North County Improvement District. The county engineer said there are many, many golf courses in the county and they haven't had a problem. So, no tree buffer. I was concerned about the proximity of the canal on the east side of the road and the possibility of teenagers drag racing on this dark stretch of road and ending up in an accident and landing in the canal. I asked if the county could look into the possibility of a guardrail. They did and said no guardrail was warranted.

We have another meeting with Commissioner Marcus and representatives from the city of Palm Beach Gardens and the Palm Beach County School Board in October regarding the possible addition of a pedestrian access to March Pointe Elementary from Hood Rd. This would allow students who wished to ride their bikes a much shorter ride. Going through Mirasol would be just too far. Originally the entrance to Marsh Pointe was supposed to be on Hood Rd. Before they changed our boundary away from Lighthouse and Beacon Cove, I attended every boundary meeting and they assured us this would be the entrance. It would be a straight shot from PBCE down Jog Rd. to Hood Rd. and the school. But later, without our knowledge, Eastpointe objected to that saying it would cause too much traffic for them. So the entrance was moved to the south side of the school where parents and the school busses have to go through Mirasol, around two roundabouts to get to the school.

The re-engineering for the sidewalks along 69th, 150th, 143rd and 64th is 50% complete. The PBC Traffic Division said it would take approximately 2-3 months to complete the design and then it would have to go the building department. These sidewalks have already been budgeted and paid for. The PBC commission will vote on a new budget October 6th which includes 75th for the 2010 budget year. I have also received a number of complaints regarding dog droppings along and on the new sidewalk on 155th. Many people are using this great new sidewalk. If you walk your dog, please be considerate to the other sidewalk users and the homeowners and pick up after your dog. Just bring a plastic Publix bag in your pocket or get the baggie holders that attach to the dogs leash. One suggestion is the same type of doggie bag holders they have at Jupiter Beach. They are plastic boxes mounted on a pole. They almost look like a birdhouse. If there is an Eagle Scout who would like to take this on as a project or a veterinarian or groomer who would like to sponsor the boxes please contact the board.

One last thing, the newsletter is a very important part of keeping our community informed. There are many residents who for one reason or another just can't make the landowners meetings. The newsletter is their way of staying connected. Sometime ago we had once suggested only posting the newsletter online and possibly by email. We received an overwhelming response to keep printing the newsletter. It costs over \$1000 to print and mail each newsletter. If you own a company, please consider advertising in the newsletter. We mail out approximately 1440 newsletters to your neighbors. I know times are tough right now but if I had to hire someone for a job I would rather hire someone from right here in the neighborhood, rather than some stranger out of the phone book. A business card ad is only \$50 and a quarter page ad is only \$90. Lets all help keep our neighborhood businesses strong. Chris Reinhardt - President



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Donald Ross Landowners Association

Minutes - July 22, 2009

The meeting was called to order at 8:37 p.m. Chris Reinhardt, President called the meeting to order. Board officers Kevin Baker, 1st Vice-President, Sheri Murray, 2nd Vice-President, and Merry Lunsford, Secretary were present.

July's neighborhood meeting was very well attended, most present were very upset and concerned about the on going crimes in our community. The sheriff's office was represented by D/S Robert Buchanan. Discussed were the progress they have made with the burglaries and the arrests they have made. Possible neighborhood watch was reviewed so that we can help take control of this major problem that affects all of our residents. One resident volunteered to head this committee and help get it started. Some of those arrested are the neighbors next door, young adults ages 19 to 21 and their friends. Parents should pay attention to who their kids are hanging around with and please take responsibility for where they are and what they are doing. Be aware of your surrounds and the people you invite in your home. Be aware of the people walking through the streets. We can set up a neighborhood crime watch, but we all need to help. We are also looking into an E-Mail blast so we can let everyone know of the current updates on the crimes. If you are interested in helping please go to our website at www.myPBCE.org and let us know what you can do.

Park/playground update The Around the World Celebration was a huge success raising \$5,000.00 for the Community Park. Please, we need your help for the continued success of our park both finical and volunteers. You can go to the website at www.twistypinesplayground.org to volunteer or make a donation.

New Board members Chris introduced new board members. Filing the treasurer position is Kevin Parkes, CPA. He will be doing all the finical business including taxes. Kevin P. was on vacation and not able to attend tonight's meeting, but we look forward to working with him and all his experience he will be bringing to our board. Merry Lunsford will be serving as secretary, and Sheri Murray will move up to 2nd vice president.

SIRWCD The South Indian River Water Control District elections are coming soon. Incumbent Tom Rice introduced himself. PBCE residents Mike Ryan, and Kevin Baker are also running for the board.

Old Business The sidewalk contractor was waiting on the engineering for 69th, 150th and 164th which had to be reengineered by the county because of the swales; his equipment is at a job in South County and hopefully will be able to continue soon.

New Business The electrical for the front entrance sign is working, but we will need new lights, they are in bad condition. We do have an Eagle Scout who has volunteered to work on the front signs as his Eagle Scout project. He plans to clean, paint and replant. He does need help with the electric and irrigation if anyone can help please contact the board.

The grass in the easement on Donald Ross is over grown and Chris is investigating whose responsibility it is to mow. The residents that live off Donald Ross Rd. would like you to be aware that they are turning into their homes, and please pay attention to them and slow down. Chris requested motion to adjourn, motion was seconded. Meeting ended at 9:38.

Submitted by: Merry Lunsford, Secretary

Donald Ross Landowners Association

Minutes - September 8, 2009

Meeting was called to order at 7:32 P.M. by Chris Reinhart, President. Present were Kevin Baker 1st Vice President, Sheri Murray 2nd Vice President, Kevin Parkes Treasury, Merry Lunsford Secretary. Kevin Parkes was introduced, he is serving as Treasury, and was not able to attend the July meeting.

There was no Treasury report. Kevin P. is in the process of gathering all the financial information and will have a summary for us all. He is available for any question until he has the report completed. The Secretary report has not been posted yet, their was no news letter last month. Both the treasury report and the minutes to the last meeting will be in the next news letter. The News letter should be out by the end of September, we are waiting for the SIRWCD election results so that we may publish them in the news letter.

The Park and Playground: The committee is working on a Trunk or Treat, which will be the next event for the neighborhood. The children will be able to trick or treat out of the trunks of cars which will be decorated. This is being organized as a Thank-You to the community for all the help and hard work that has been put into the park. They are also working on another bus tour which will be November 14th. They need one more house to host a dinner, the last tour dinner was a huge success and enjoyed by all. A Golf kart parade is also in the works, or you can also walk in the parade. The Fire department and the Sheriff will also be involved in the parade.

Roads: Donald Ross Road is almost completed. Chris informed us that Eastpointe and Old Marsh are having an issue with the county about the trees that were removed during the construction of the road. They both have golf courses and now the loss of the trees has left the roads open to stray golf balls. The county feels there is no issue. Eastpointe feels the road is to close to their driving range. There are also no guard rails on the canal on the east side. The county engineer said it did not warrant a guard rail. A meeting with Commissioner Karen Marcus, Palm Beach Gardens and the School Board is schedule for Oct 5th to discuss a possible pedestrian entrance off of Hood to the elementary school. The entrance was moved and you must go through Marisol to get to the school. We are still waiting for the sidewalk off of 69th to come back from engineering at the County. 150th and 143rd will also have sidewalks.75th will be in the budget for next year.

Mowing: The easement mowing off of Donald Ross road is still in question. The county will not be responsible until the road is completed. If you are able to mow any of your area it would be helpful.

Neighborhood Watch: The Board would like to thank everyone involved in the Neighborhood Watch, the meetings and the organization of the Neighborhood Watch. Mike Ryan gave an update on the last meeting. He made us all aware of the No Trespassing signs available through the Sheriffs Department. The Neighborhood watch has a website PBCENW@aol.com. If you sign up on the website you will receive new updates and any crimes going on in the neighborhood. Please let your neighbors now about this and the break-ins, a lot of people are still not aware of the problem. We are trying to get a COP patrol car in our area. There are a lot of open garages that are an invitation to your home. Please remember to close these at night and when your not there. There has been a meeting every month, so please check the Website for the next date of the meeting. The possibility of a Sheriff substation is also being explored. For persons interested in doing any patrols in the COP car please let them know. They are also asking if you have a vacant house next to you please try to make it look

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Min. Cont. 9/8/09 - a little taken care of. Maybe pick-up trash, mow some if possible. The metal scavengers are also taking shutters to these homes so if you see anything suspicious please call the sheriff. There are 2 vehicles a white 2 door older cougar, and a 1992 red 2 door Chevy hatch back. These are vehicles of interest, so if you see them please call the sheriff. The sheriff's number is 688-3400. Officer Buchanan has been very helpful and present in our neighborhood watch efforts. We would like to thank him for that. There has been a lot more Sheriffs present in our community.

New Business: The possibility of camera surveillance was brought up and will be looked into. Reward for information on crimes was also suggested and extra sheriff's patrol which will also be checked into. Signs with the 688-3400 sheriff's number were also suggested. Some residence are having problems with the swells that are not draining, SIRWCD needs to be notified.

Meeting was motioned to adjourn and seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:35. Submitted by: *Merry Lunsford*, Secretary

Neighborhood Watch Has Been Formed

The Donald Ross Landowner's would like to thank those that worked so hard on forming this neighborhood watch. If you would like more information or to be on the email list to get the schedule for meetings please send request to PBCENW@aol.com. Minutes of last meeting are below:

PALM BEACH COUNTRY ESTATES NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH Minutes - AUGUST 18, 2009

WELCOME: Welcome Deputy Buchanan from PBSO!

Deputy Buchanan commends us for our efforts and stated he is impressed with the organization of the watch group and constant e-mail updates.

PETITION: A petition is being circulated for the residents of PBCE to sign in hopes of acquiring a PBSO sub station in the estates. Once we obtain fifty percent signage on the petition it is submitted to the county commissioners for approval and submission to PBSO for acceptance. The petition will be at every meeting held, if time does not allow your participation, please just stop by and sign the petition and leave.

LINKING COMMUNITIES PROGRAM- PBSO is currently "Re-vamping" a program they have in place called <u>Linking Communities</u>, and are hoping to get some type of e-mail alert system up and running to inform those participating in <u>Linking Communities</u> of current happenings in the participant's area. It was stated that other communities i.e. City of West Palm Beach had such program in place and found it a very useful tool.

CERTIFIED NO TRESPASSING SIGNS: PBSO recommends two signs for each lot in PBCE due to the size of the properties in PBCE. The signs are \$23.00 + tax.

How it works, according to Dep. Buchanan; you the home owner fill out No Trespassing Affidavit. Copies of the affidavit can be obtained by contacting Dep. Buchanan at 561-776-2115, or e-mailing pbcenw@aol.com. Upon completion and submission of the affidavit the Sheriff's department assigns your property an OAN number. This number identifies the property, the owner, and the owners contact information including home and cell phone numbers which are entered into the PBSO data base. The affidavit gives PBSO permission to act as an agent on behalf of the property owner and enforce the no trespass order on your property. Any suspicious persons found on your property will either be arrested or given a NTA. notice to appear. Please, understand PBSO uses good judgment in these cases and likely will not be arresting your cleaning lady, or dog sitter as they will have pertinent information about you and your property along with anyone who may belong there. On that note, it is a good idea to alert your trusted neighbors of your absence and any one who may be checking on the house during such time.

PERSONS OF INTEREST: Deputy Buchanan has alerted us to a couple of cars to look out for in the neighborhood.

- 1) White 2 door older model Cougar used to transport perpetrators throughout the neighborhood.
- 2)Grey/Silver Toyota Camry, 4 door, FL tag 657-KIE. Stolen vehicle.

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3)1992 Red Chevy 2 door hatch back in poor condition, FL tag N94-7LZ

DO NOT ATTEMPT TO APPROACH THESE VEHICLES CALL 911. THESE SUBJECTS HAVE NOTHING TO LOOSE. THINK SAFE WE ARE NOT OFFICERS OF THE LAW! WE ARE TO OBSERVE AND REPORT.

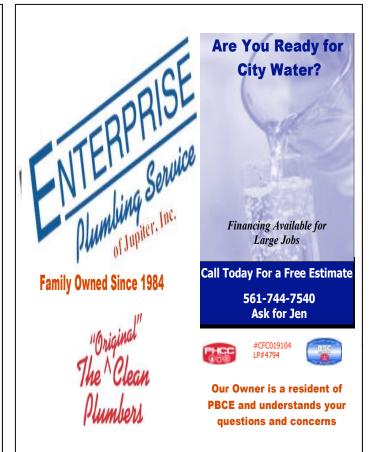
Again, these persons are gaining access by knocking on the front door and when receiving no answer proceeding to the back side of the property and making entry. They seem to follow a schedule, but not always, it is as follows; Monday through Thursday - home invasions during the day time hours. Monday through Sunday at night or into the early morning hour cars and sheds are targeted. It is believed to be two separate groups. They are not generally entering locked residents or cars and sheds, for that matter. Lock your homes, vehicles, and sheds! If you encounter one of these persons get as best a description as possible. Note their hair color, color of clothing, shorts or pants, Caucasian, African American, Asian, or Hispanic etc., get a description of the car, tag number, any obvious jewelry, such as a watch, ring, chain, etc.

NO CONTACT ORDER- For those of you who have had the misfortune of being burglarized, it is recommended you apply for NO CONTACT ORDER from the State Attorney's Office against the persons of interest. Be certain to follow up at one resident did her due diligence, got the order, and the State Attorney's Office neglected to file the order. It was eventually obtained but only after several hours spent downtown and the presence of the neighbor's attorney.

STUART NEWS ARTICLE -One resident found an article in the Stuart news on one of the young adults who broke into her home stating; he and another perpetrator knocked on a residents door on September 11, 2008, the man noticed two men at the door and chose not to answer, the perpetrators went to the back of the residents broke in, encountered the resident and a fight ensued. Although, we thought there had been no violence associated with our neighborhood group, this proves otherwise. Yes, one of them in the article from Stuart lives in PBCE! Of course we never got wind of this as it took place in Martin County.

COP CAR IN PBCE: A resident spotted a COP, Citizens on Patrol, car in PBCE. Mike Ryan stated this is a friend of his from Jupiter Farms who has kindly offered to drive through the estates for one hour per day. Thank you to Jupiter Farms! It was mentioned that our trouble area seems to back up to their troubled area Not certain of the connection but let your common sense dictate that answer.

MISSING STREET SIGNS: DO NOT call Mr. English at the SIRWCD you must contact county engineering at 561-684-4000. According to the website at: www.pbcgov.com/engineering/ "Once Engineering receives a report about a missing sign, a representative will be sent to the location to verify the request. If a sign is found to be missing, a work order will be issued for replacement. Stop signs and similar traffic control signs will be replaced as soon as possible. Other signs usually take 3-6 weeks." On that note it may be best for one individual to accumulate requests so they may be submitted at once and the county is not inundated by so many different requests. If you are available to take this



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on please let us know at: pbcenw@aol.com.

NUISANCE LAW: There is a nuisance law on the books which could, and does, apply to our situation in the estates. As a parent is no longer liable for a child over the age of majority (18), under the nuisance law once the owner of the property has been legally notified in writing of said nuisance they are by law required to rid the residence of the nuisance or be held accountable by the law. This is something that should be looked at very seriously.

STREET PATROLS: Mike and Angel have begun to organize street patrols. PBCE was divided into sections with a block captain assigned where one was available. Not all of the areas have been represented especially the sections West of 75tháand North of 155th backing up to I-95. We will continue our efforts to get these areas covered. Mike's e-mail can be obtained by contacting: Remember, we are not the police this patrol is only meant to observe and report suspicious behavior either to: 561-688-3400, PBSO non-emergency, or 911 if the call warrants. There is discussion of how to identify the "good guys". This is the purpose of the "Leader List", get on the list. This is a core group of people who intend on becoming familiar with one another and will know via documentation how to identify one another.

DON'T FORGET TO PROGRAM 561-688-3400 IN YOUR CELL PHONE. THIS IS PBSO NON-EMERGENCY. USE IT WHEN SUSPICIOUS BEHAVIOR IS IN PROGRESS PER PBSO UNLESS 911 IS WARRANTED

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Resident Requests Security Cameras

At the last DRLOA meeting a resident requested that the association look into the cost of security cameras in the neighborhood to help assist in investigations of any crime in the neighborhood. Officers from the association have met with a resident owned company that specializes in this equipment. Quotes are being obtained at this time and residents will be informed as to the cost and feasibility of this project. If you are not on the neighborhood watch email list please become a part of it so that we can present residents with the information regarding the cameras through that email address. PBCENW@aol.com

SIRWCD is Now the Official Owner of the Park Land

It is hard to believe that we have finally reached a major milestone with this park project. Over the last few months a lot has happened at the park site. The lot has been prepared for easy maintenance by SIRWCD, and it was officially turned over to SIRWCD on September 17. Thank you to the Berman family for the donation! The next steps are to complete electrical and irrigation systems, construct the parking lot, create a landscape buffer, and erect a fence. By this point we will have a lovely open field to use till other components of the park can be added like a playground, courts, walking path, etc. Of course, these additional components can only be added once we have raised enough funds. We want to thank everyone who has been out there donating their money, time and energy to this park! We are planning more great fundraisers over the next few months so check the Twisty Pines website for more information at www.twistypinesplayground.org



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DAVID BEANE AND TOM RICE RE-ELECTED AS SOUTH INDIAN RIVER WATER CONTROL DISTRICT SUPERVISORS

Jupiter, FL – David Beane and Tom Rice have been reelected to three-year terms on the South Indian River Water Control District's Board of Supervisors. Both Beane and Rice have served on the board since 1989.

Certified totals from the Supervisor of Elections office show that Beane received 1947 votes, while Rice received 1,342 votes. Kevin Baker and Michael Ryan, who were running for the board for the first time, received 276 and 426 votes respectively.

SIRWCD serves Palm Beach Country Estates, Jupiter Farms, Egret Landing and the Jupiter Park of Commerce. For more information contact the District office at 747-0550.

Back by Popular Demand

Around the World Celebration #2 Saturday, November 14th - 5pm to 10 pm

A charter bus will pick you up from a designated neighborhood bus stop and drive you to four neighbor homes. Each home will have a culinary theme, and our hosts will serve delicious appetizers and cocktails to match that theme. The bus will take you from one home to the next and drop you back off at your bus stop at the end of the evening. The bus will include drinks and games with prizes and other entertainment as well.

Ask your neighbors the last bus tour was a blast!!

\$50 per person; Seats are limited, so get your tickets early! Call Sheri at 601-1647 to reserve your space on the bus

Shop to Earn Teams up with Twisty Pines Playground Foundation

Do you shop online? Do you buy things from Home Depot, Target Macy's and Circuit City? We have recently partnered with ShoptoEarn.net to make money for our Community Park and Playground.

Here's how it works: before you shop online go to www.shoptoearn.net/twistypines and every time you shop from one of the 700 online stores, the park and playground will receive cash from a percentage of your purchases. After you go to www.shoptoearn.net/twistypines you will be asked to register as a preferred customer so that we can keep track of purchases made by Twisty Pines supporters. Some of these retailers, such as Home Depot and Sports Authority, allow you to shop and



Decorate your trunk, dress-up your kids, and drive on over to the PBCE Trunk or Treat

October 31, 2009 4 - 6pm 160th Street from 75th Ave to 71st

Here are the details:

Families decorate the trunks of their vehicles as much or as little as they'd like, and they pass out candy to neighbor children.

*Children dress up in their Halloween attire and get their goodie bags

*Vehicles with decorated trunks park along 160th Street

*Children Trick-or-Treat from one trunk to the next

Everyone has a blast because we get to celebrate Halloween right here in PBCE!

Families get to vote on the best trunks, and prizes will be awarded!

Kids bring your change to see how quickly we can make the jars fill up and help out the PBCE park fund.



If you think your family will have a decorated trunk, please drop me a quick note.

Sarah at scrapple@comcast.net

Brought to you by the PBCE Park Fundraising Committee

Shop to Earn Cont. pay for merchandise at home and pick them up at the store with no shipping fee. Do this and you'll certainly save yourself time and money.

Next time you decide to shop online, consider logging on to our Shop-to-Earn website first. It won't affect the cost of anything you buy, but it will certainly help our park and playground get built more quickly.

Thank you to neighbors **Roberta Von Der Luft** for setting up our site and **Bill Slater** for sponsoring it!

Trunk-or-Treat

Saturday, October 31 we will give families the opportunity to celebrate Halloween close to home. From 4 -6pm. we will have family vehicles parked on 160th Street from 75th Ave to 71st. Families will decorate their trunks (or pick up beds, SUV hatch backs, etc.) with festive decorations, lights, music, and more so the little ones of the community can Trick-or-Treat from vehicle to vehicle. We'll have a contest for the best decorated trunk, so families should start planning their decorations now. Also, ask your kids to start collecting their pennies and change to donate to the park. There will be jugs set up for kids to show their support for our park.

And, back by popular demand we have...

Bus Tour #2

If you couldn't make the first Bus Tour, you missed out! We've had phone calls and emails from neighbors demanding that we have another Bus Tour since the first one was so much fun. Mark your calendars for **November 14**. Last time strangers became friends while delicious appetizers and cocktails created a festive atmosphere. We are still in need of a couple more homes for the bus tour. If you are interested, please send me an email, and I'll pass along the details to you.

5k Run: We are working on a plan to have a race through the neighborhood, keep checking your newsletter and emails for more information. We are looking for help with this fundraiser. Please contact Sheri at 561-601-1647

Holiday Parade and visit from Santa: Residents will decorate everything from golf carts, bikes, lawn mowers or just walk in the parade. We have scheduled this for December 12th. If you are interested in decorating a golf cart but you don't have one please contact Sheri at 601-1647 we have secured a lower price for cart rentals for the weekend if residents are interested.

Business Owners: Remember to check the playground website to find out how to sponsor a playground component or a section of the park so your name can be seen at our community park for many years to come. We are also looking for businesses that would like to sponsor any of our fundraising events please contact Sheri Murray at 601-1647 to discuss sponsorship opportunities. **Personalized Fence Pickets:** Routed with your name or message, these pickets will surround the playground. Individual or family pickets \$30 each. Business or corporate pickets \$50 each. Check the website for order form.

Personalized Bricks: Laser engraved with your name, message, stock clip art, or company logo. These bricks will pave the entryway to the playground. Check the website for prices and available sizes and order form.

Aluminum Can Drive: Barry Benjamin has kindly agreed to take our aluminum to a recycling center. This aluminum will be sold, and all of the money will be donated to the park & playground. To make this project work, we need the help of the community. Drop off locations are:

Debbie's: 16432 77th Trail N. PLACE CANS IN BAGS AND LEAVE BESIDE GARAGE fgavin0829@bellsouth.net

Chris': 15610 73rd Terr. N PLACE CANS IN BAGS AND LEAVE ON THE SOUTH CORNER OUTSIDE OF THE FENCE reinharm@bellsouth.net

Barry's: 14731 67th Trail North PLACE CANS IN BAGS AND LEAVE IN THE BLUE RECYCLE CONTAINER BE-SIDE THE GARAGE DOOR <u>barryjbenjamin@yahoo.com</u>

Duane's: 15087 80th Dr. N. house is on the Corner of 150th and 80th. PLACE CANS IN BAGS AND DROP OVER THE FENCE ON RIGHT SIDE OF DRIVEWAY dlongphoto@aol.com

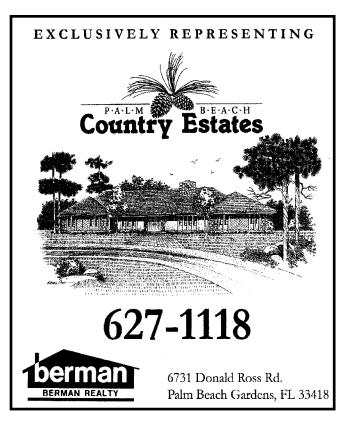
For info on any of the fundraisers or if you have ideas to share, please contact Sheri Murray at 561-601-1647.

Future and current fundraising activities for the Twisty Pines Playground Foundation and your Community Park

We will have many opportunities to meet and mingle with neighbors to support this community park and playground. Here are a few fundraisers we have planned over the next few months.









Land Owners Meeting

November 10, 2009 at 7:30 PM at Living Oaks Ministries Church on 64th Drive