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# Turtle Rock Newsletter

The Best Place on Palmer Ranch

#### December 2021

#### President's Message

**Greetings Turtle Rock:** 

Good things continue in Turtle Rock.

First, I would like to thank Grace Sammon and Curt Gilrov for their efforts to honor our veterans on Veterans Day. Their efforts included Curt being able to secure the presentation of the flag that had flown over the Pentagon on Veteran's Day to the Turtle Rock community in honor of our veterans. The presentation letter from the Assistant Secretary of Defense that informed of the flag and thanked TR Veterans for their service was included in last month's newsletter (and again this month on pg 15). This significant flag has now arrived, and we will wait for an appropriate time to raise it in honor of our TR vets. Thanks again Grace & Curt!

The Natural Assets Committee reports that the pond shoreline restoration work is continuing on schedule with pond 13 (Sabal Lake large pond) to be completed in November. Ponds 9 (southeast corner of Nice Way and Turtle Rock Blvd.) and 12 (small Sabal Lake Pond on east side of Blvd.) are scheduled



David Bryan

next for shoreline restoration, continuing in the first quarter of 2022.

The Finance Committee finalized its work on the 2022 budget, which was approved at the November 2<sup>nd</sup> Board meeting. Thanks to a projected 2021 budget surplus, we were able to absorb contractor and supplier increases and avoid increasing the 2022 quarterly dues. Beyond 2022, given inflation and wage pressure, it is not unreasonable to expect increases in quarterly dues to maintain acceptable levels of service.

The Communications committee has initiated a program to provide volunteer assistance for the Property Manager in the Clubhouse involving volunteer

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# President's Message, Continued

greeters. Details are still being worked out and should be announced along with start dates by the December 7<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

The Turtle Rock Compliance Policy and enforcement procedures have been revised and are being reviewed. Once approved by our attorney, the revisions will be included in the updated Turtle Rock Owner's Manual. The revisions are intended to simplify the policy and enforcement procedures so the community is kept well maintained and homeowners can avoid violations.

The Traffic Safety Task Force is evaluating the use of speed monitoring cameras in an effort to reduce speeding in the community. The system has been installed in the Deer Creek community with good success, and our Task Force is working on a proposal for presentation to the Board at the December or January meeting.

#### **November Board Actions**

- The Board voted to accept the Comcast Contract proposal that will pay Turtle Rock a onetime lump sum payment of \$96,645.
- The Board approved the 2022 Budget as proposed; the dues will remain unchanged at \$480/quarter.
- The Board approved spending up to \$1,500 for formatting the revised Turtle Rock Owner's Manual, including an index.

# December 7, 2021 at 6:30 pm is the next Board of Governors meeting

The meeting will be held in the clubhouse with limited seating available, and also be available on ZOOM. Log-in link and call-in phone number will be provided along with the agenda by email. Please plan to attend.

## TR Board Nominations Committee

The BOG has named a Nominating Committee for the 2022 Board of Governors vacancies. Co-Chairs are Ivan Gould and Grace Sammon, and Board Liaison is Angela Hilton.

The Board will have two vacancies for three-year terms as of the Annual Member Meeting scheduled for February 1. Turtle Rock owners in good standing (no rules violations and dues paid) who would like run for the Board may self nominate by completing a Candidate Application Form and providing it to management no later than **4pm December 23**. An application form with cover letter explaining the process was emailed to owners on November 30. All applications received by the deadline will be vetted to assure member candidates are in good standing, and will then be posted to the Turtle Rock website under the Residents Only section. Questions may be directed to Co-Chairs

Ivan Gould: 941-323-9655 Grace Sammon: 301-332-4976

# traffic waits while sandhills consider go? stay? go?

#### **Management Report**

By Bob Kresnik, Sunstate

A frequent complaint to management is the growing disregard for picking up pet waste. Alas, as Sarasota County government points out, there is no poop fairy. It's important for all residents to understand that not picking up after their pets is, indeed, dangerous!

#### Dog waste issues:

Hookworms, ringworms, tapeworms, and Salmonella can also be passed to humans via dog feces. Coliform bacteria, which causes serious

kidney disorders, intestinal illness, cramps and diarrhea in humans, is extremely common in dogs: 23 million fecal coliform bacteria in a single GRAM of pet waste.

#### Is dog waste a health hazard? There is undeniable scientific evidence that dog waste is not just an

dence that dog waste is not just an urban menace: it is an *environmen*-

tal pollutant and a human health hazard! Why should you care? Dog waste can contain bacteria, parasites, and pathogens that can directly and indirectly cause people to get sick.

#### Why is dog waste a health hazard?

From bacteria. E. Coli and other fecal coliforms live in the intestines of many animals. Certain strains can escape into the bloodstream, or cause stomach cramps, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, and fever. Yersiniosis is another bacterial disease that can cause intestinal infections in people.

#### Can you get sick from breathing in dog feces?

If odors are significant, pet waste can emit ammonia into the air. Ammonia can cause unpleasant reactions in humans, and it can also lead to illness.

#### What disease can you get from dog poop?

Toxocariasis is a rare infection caused by round-worm parasites. Humans can catch it from handling soil or sand, contaminated with infected animal faeces. Roundworm parasites are most commonly found in cats, dogs, and foxes, and usually affect young children.

#### Is it OK to leave dog poop in the woods?

If a dog poops in the woods, is

it OK to leave it? *The short answer is no!* Here's the long answer: We share our urban and suburban spaces with our animal friends, and it's just good manners to pick up after them whether walking in your neighborhood or at the park or hiking down a wooded path. No one likes stepping into a pile of dog poop. But dog waste is also dam-

aging to our ecosystems and is considered a hazardous waste by the Environmental Protection Agency. For example, dog poop is high in nitrogen, which can cause "unstable conditions that allow algae blooms to cloud our rivers, lakes and streams, and create an easy habitat for invasive weeds to

grow," according to "Leave No Trace," lnt.org. As a result, it can deplete oxygen in the water, which is necessary for the health of fish, underwater grasses, and wildlife. According to the EPA, pet waste carries bacteria, viruses and parasites that can threaten the health of humans and wildlife drinking waste-contaminated water. When you consider about 83 million dogs are contributing to the more than 10 million tons of canine waste a year, you can see why all dog owners need to be responsible and pick up after their pet, no matter where they poop.

Our intent is to communicate with pet owners factually how important it is to pick up after their pet. It's a danger to the environment, other animals, your neighbors, and children. JUST PICK IT UP!

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#### **Treasurer's Report**

By Robert Oram

#### **Year-To-Date Ending October 31, 2021**

	Actual	Budget
Assessments and other income	\$1,222,660.63	\$1,219,571.66
Operating Expenses*		
General and Administrative	\$ 317,681.70	\$ 343,116.70
Common Grounds	172,626.39	179,569.18
Access Control/Gatehouse	227,358.67	225,488.34
Facilities Maintenance	134,025.72	161,458.36

<sup>\*</sup>Expenses were \$12,410.43 below budget, bringing the 2021 surplus to \$70,357.28

#### **Reserve Expenses**

**Utilities** 

Contribution \$ 240,772.50 \$ 240,772.50

Site Improvements - 270,324.43 \*\*

Furn. Fixtures & Equip. -28,001.48 \*\*

#### **Assessments**

Outstanding HOA Fees \$ 22,363.91 (1-30 days)

99.66 (31-90 days)

59,838.37

62,250.00

6,524.18 (90+ days)

Total \$28,987.75

<sup>\*\* \$77,620 (\$5000</sup> withheld) ASAP mailbox payment and \$6,783.02 payment to ABDI

#### From the WEST Corner of...

By: Steve West

#### Year-End Traditions around the World



As the end of the year holidays draw near, we thought you might enjoy reading about a few of the traditions around the world:

#### **Iceland:**

Lurking amid Iceland's azure lagoons and steaming volcanoes is a long list of (possibly)



mythological creatures, which range from tiny elves to enormous sea monsters.

And for 13 days before Christmas, tradition holds that a mischievous pack of troll-like figures known as the *Yule Lads* visit local children. According to lore, a different lad visits every night to reward — or punish — kids by leaving something behind in an empty shoe.

A lucky child might get presents or candy. If the Yule Lads disapprove, though, you'll find a shoe filled with rotten potatoes.

#### Catalonia, Region in Spain:



A funny Christmas-time tradition typical in Catalonia, but not in the rest of Spain, is the *Tió de Nadal*. Imagine the little ones of the family, and even adults, with a stick in their hands beating a hollow log, *tió* in Catalan,

while singing traditional songs and praying for it to 'defecate' gifts. Tradition dictates that, before beating the tió, all the kids have to leave the room and go to another place in the house to ask the tió to deliver a lot of presents – making the perfect excuse for relatives to do the trick and put the presents under the blanket while the kids are praying.

#### **Israel:**

Hanukkah is an annual Jewish observance, also known as Festival of Lights or the Feast of Dedication. The holiday takes place for eight nights and days and celebrates the rededication of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem following the Maccabean revolt against the Syrian-Greek army around 200 BC. The celebrations for the festival are marked by kindling of candles on a special candelabrum called a Menorah—whose branches represented knowledge and creation and were meant to be kept burning every night. There was only enough oil for a single night, but miraculously, the candles burned for eight. A specific pattern for lighting the candles from right to left is tradition.

Singing songs, saying prayers, and giving small gifts to children are other customs followed to mark Hanuk-kah celebrations. In Israel,



one of the most beloved Hanukkah treats is sufganiyot: pillowy, yeasted doughnuts filled with jam or vanilla cream. It's a traditional food that invites endless innovation. Fried foods serve as reminders of the event; potato latkes are an absolute delight.

#### Japan:

Buddhist temple bells peal across Japan on Ōmisoka, or New Year's



Eve, to mark the changing year. Each bell chimes 108 times, a single note for each of the human defilements recognized in Buddhism. (Think: prejudice, envy, greed, along with 105 other unpleasant traits).

#### From the WEST Corner of... Continued

#### **Britain:**

Boxing Day, celebrated December 26, originated in 1830's Britain as a holiday to give gifts to the poor. The



Oxford Dictionary defines it as "the first week-day after Christmas day, observed as a holiday on which postmen, errand boys, and servants of various kinds expect to receive a Christmas box." Today, Boxing Day is primarily known as a shopping holiday, a day to box up unwanted gifts, return them, and take advantage of after-Christmas sales. It is also celebrated in a number of countries that previously formed part of the British Empire, and Canadians in particular enjoy watching ice hockey games on this day.

#### **United States:**

Many of the United States' most visible holiday traditions, like Christmas trees and dreidels, ar-

rived in the country with immigrants. "Ugly Sweaters," however, is purely homegrown. During the holidays, many Americans wear garish sweaters decked with reindeer, elves and other seasonal



themes; they even attend ugly sweater parties where prizes are awarded for the most eyecatching garments. The third Friday of December — that's December 18 this year — has been declared National Ugly Christmas Sweater Day, while yearly gift guides advise on the ugliest sweaters of all.

#### **Chalk Art**

Art By Donna Wolfson



Neither rain nor shine nor a bite in the behind... Certainly not our TR angels!!



#### News from the FIRM

By Melody Barackman, Chair

#### **On FIRM Ground**

## (Finance, Investments, and Risk Management)

One of the major roles of HOA Boards is ensuring association members remain compliant with the community's governing documents. This may be one of the least popular functions of the Board - let's face it, no one likes to be told what to do. However, compliance enforcement helps to promote a uniform, esthetically pleasing community, which in turn helps to preserve property values.

In Turtle Rock, this function is largely delegated to our management company, Sunstate. In

fact, one of the reasons Sunstate was selected years ago was its compliance expertise and its system software used for compliance tracking and management. Sunstate makes regular inspections of our properties and when a violation is observed, compliance enforcement procedures are put into effect, procedures that

involve sending out violation notices, followed by a fining notice. Lastly, if the violation continues to remain unremedied, Sunstate will recommend our Board levy a fine and, if upheld by the Hearing Panel, an imposed fine is issued.

Recently, the FIRM was asked to study the compliance enforcement process after being made aware of a variety of complaints from our members, such as:

- My neighbor's property looks bad, but management hasn't cited them for non-compliance.
- It's been three months since I alerted management of a neighboring property that is non-compliant, and nothing has been done.

- Why am I getting cited for non-compliance when I see other properties look as bad or worse than mine?
- I am away in the off-season and by the time I received the forwarded compliance letter, my fourteen (14) days to remedy the matter had already passed.
- I have to schedule my landscaper/power-washer/roofer/painter/other contractor and fourteen (14) days is not enough time for me to remedy the issue.
- Why am I getting a fining notice when I haven't been previously notified of a non-compliance problem?

While not all these issues can be resolved,

- the FIRM, after conducting interviews with Sunstate and analyzing its process, is proposing several improvements that will be considered by the Board for adoption at its next meeting:
- Elimination of two courtesy letters that each provide 14 days to remedy the violation in favor of only one courtesy

letter that allows up to 30 days to come into compliance;

- The new courtesy letter to include a response form for members/residents to complete and return to the management office, acknowledging the matter and their proposal and time request to remedy;
- A new step added requiring our community manager to make a best effort to reach members/residents by phone call or personal visit to obtain a plan for remedying the matter, before sending a recommendation to the Board to levy a fine; and
- All recommendations sent to the Board for fining be accompanied by a photograph of the vi-



# News from the FIRM, Continued

olation.

Our Board is not seeking to be punitive when compliance notices are sent out by the management company on their behalf. Rather, they are doing their best job to adhere to the set of rules and regulations adopted when this community was formed and agreed to by every resident who has purchased a home here. It is therefore highly advisable that all members read the governing documents and especially the Turtle Rock Owners Manual (TROM).

Communication between management and members or residents will likely continue to be a challenge, especially when we live in such a mobile society with many of us moving between primary and secondary homes or traveling domestically or abroad from time to time. Whether we are in residence or not, our responsibility for maintaining our properties in compliance with our documents remains steadfast. For this reason, it is essential that all members register a valid e-mail account and mobile phone number with our management office by completing the Residential Information Form, located on our website. https://www.myturtlerock.com. mail addresses and mobile phones have become the most reliable method for staying in contact with our members and ensuring good communication about important Turtle Rock business matters. Conversely, it is just as important for members and residents to get in touch with management when there are logistical challenges or timing issues with bringing your property into compliance.

Again, compliance enforcement is aimed at promoting a uniform, esthetically pleasing appeal of the community to retain its attractiveness to our residents and prospective buyers and to help preserve property values. We help each other enjoy our small piece of paradise here in Turtle Rock when we help ourselves stay compliant with our governing documents.



#### Landscape & Grounds

By Jodi Cunnison

The Committee met in November with our landscape contractor— Bloomings'—supervisor, Shane Battle. The palms along Turtle Rock Blvd have been trimmed, and mulch along Turtle Rock Blvd was installed mid-November after weed control and debris removal from beds took place. The landscaping around the north guard house has been completed. New annuals are to be planted at both entrance bullnoses in time for the holidays.

Other issues addressed by the Committee included:

- the water fountain in the south entrance lake has broken and a new one will need to be installed. Also, the island in the south entrance lake needs weeding and cleaning up. Note: the last time this was done it was completed by our Maintenance Supervisor, Larry, who borrowed a canoe and paddled to the turtles on the rock!
- the lamp post bases and Turtle Rock entrance signs are being freshened up with paint;
- the *Beware of Alligators* signs have been posted;

- the Finance Committee is working on securing sidewalk repair bids;
- clean up from the excavation along Palmer Ranch Parkway is needed at the north entrance:
- a long term solution is needed to address the sound, sight and ingress issues along Honore Avenue;
- an estimate will be obtained to have the preserves along Turtle Rock Blvd surveyed for purpose of reclaiming maintainable land lost to encroachment.

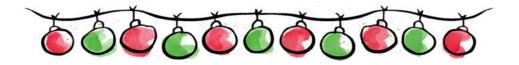
Committee members also helped spruce up some of the holiday decorations that are stored in our maintenance sheds all year. MANY thanks to Larry Mullen for dedicating dozens of hours to revamp the lights and put up the wreaths, as well as adorning the gatehouses with icicle lights!

#### Happy Holidays from the Landscape Committee!



#### Young Families' Group

By: Jennifer Wick





#### 21st Annual Turtle Rock Trolley Tour of Lights SATURDAY, December 11, 2021

Cost is \$8 per person over age 3, cash or check only.

Please drop off with Last Name on envelope in mailbox at 4940 Sabal Lake Circle.

Get into the holiday spirit by joining Turtle Rock's ANNUAL TROLLEY TOUR OF **LIGHTS** and dessert potluck! We will have seven reserved trolley times, each 30 minutes (including loading and unloading). Departure time are 6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30, 8:00, 8:30, and 9:00pm. Mira Mar Pool Care will be sponsoring a HOT COCOA bar, and are also asking people to bring a prepackaged treat for everyone to enjoy during the socializing before or after their trolley ride. ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST HAVE A PRE-PURCHASED RESERVATION! PAYMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY **DECEMBER 4** TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SCHEDULING.

#### Please provide:

Name

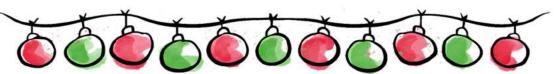
Email address for reservation confirmation

1st choice for departure 2nd choice for departure 3rd choice for departure Number of riders Phone #

Dessert you will bring

We will try to accommodate all time requests, but there is limited availability for each time. Can't wait to see everyone there!

Jennifer Wick (678) 642-7433





#### **Around The Rock**

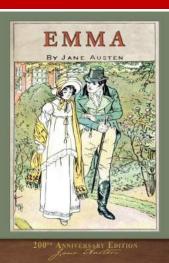
By Kathrin Harris, TR News Editor

Well, around the corner from Turtle Rock... Palmer Ranch Pkwy and Honore



The green hill formerly gracing the NW corner of the above intersection is moving...making many of us fear that the dreaded construction of the county-approved 252-unit "senior living" apartment complex is ready to start. But WAIT! This is just the first step, and a phenomenon very prevalent in Florida, where "dirt" is like gold. The owners of this corner (Spanos Corp) have SOLD the pile of dirt to the owners of the Central Sarasota Pkwy/Honore corner (Publix)! Must be pretty expensive dirt, but it's a lot closer than any other fill that's needed for the low-lying area that will become home to a Publix, some stores, and a public storage facility.

#### Turtle Rock Library Feature Book of the Month



**Emma** by Jane Austen (novel), 308 pp 200th Anniversary collection edition published 2015

Austen gives us insights into the limitations placed on women in the early 19th century with this storyline that describes the furtive scheming of women behind the scenes, often with unintended consequences. Members of the higher social classes were not expected to interact, let alone intermarry, with members of a lower class. Austen subtly satirizes her society's obsession with social distinctions through Emma, a beautiful, wealthy, and smart young woman. However, she is also spoiled, meddlesome, and self-deluded. Emma's arrogance and righteousness lead her to meddle in the lives of others, eventually being humbled by her misguided actions.

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## Title Turtle Rock Women's Club

By Jean Contillo



The TRWC November luncheon featured Daniel Deems, MD, PhD, FACS, a physician, neuroscientist, businessman

and author. His presentation on "Healthy Brain, Happy Life, and Attaining the Fountain of Youth" was fascinating and gave us several suggestions for improving our brain health and quality of life as we age. If you missed this luncheon, you'll have to ask members who attended to explain why many of us now stand on one foot for at least 20 seconds at time.









#### Turtle Rock Women's Club, Continued

#### **Sunset at Turtle Beach**

A great group of hardy TR residents turned out for the bi-monthly Sunset get-together at Turtle Beach. The weather was cool and breezy, but that did not deter this group. Welcome to the newcomers and visitors that joined us! We hope to see more of you at the next one.





#### **NEIGHBORHOOD BIKE RIDE**

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2021

#### Meet outside the Community Center. Kickstands up and rolling at 6:30 pm.

The TRWC invites anyone in TR to enjoy a leisurely bike ride and enjoy looking at all the holiday lights. We will ride through Turtle Rock, and if there is interest, we may ride through some other nearby neighborhoods as well. Remember your head light, tail light and helmet.

If you want to be more festive, light up your bike! Glow sticks are inexpensive at the dollar stores or more permanent lights can be purchased at many local stores. Or if you want to really glow, Juli Worthington – LetsGlowLED@gmail.com (727-351-2234) has done the bikes below or can send you

lights. She and her husband will be attending the ride so you can see how a bike really glows (complete with a bubble machine). If you have any questions, you may contact Kay Consigny at <a href="mailto:turtlerock-womensclub@gmail.com">turtlerock-womensclub@gmail.com</a>.





#### Turtle Rock Men's Club

By: Ken Rosemann

Everyone had an enjoyable luncheon at the Madfish Grill last month. This month, on **December 15**<sup>th</sup>, the Club will meet at Mattison's 41 on Tamiami Trail, and we hope to have a guest speaker join us. **Save the date!** 



Additional luncheon locations and dates for 2022: Super Buffet Sushi & Grill on Fruitville Road, **January 19<sup>th</sup>** Miguel's French & Continental Cuisine, Siesta Key, **February 16<sup>th</sup>** 

At the January luncheon, Officers will be elected to lead the Club for the next year. If you have an interest in helping the Club plan activities and grow the membership, let us hear from you. Contact any of the current Board members for additional information.



#### Golfers Enjoying Newly Renovated Serenoa!

As more of our Snowbirds return for the winter months, the golfers among them are enjoying a round of golf at Serenoa Golf Club each Thursday morning. Send an email to <a href="mailto:TRMCGolf@gmail.com">TRMCGolf@gmail.com</a> for more information.



#### We wish the following a **Happy December Birthday!**

If I have missed anyone, email me (kenrosemann1231@gmail.com) and I will update the TRMC website.

Scott Hain, Ken Hurley, Webster McDonald, Art Molesphini, Tappan Naag, Rick Pohlman, Michael Vespoli

## We Wish Everyone a very HAPPY Holiday Season!



If you know of someone who may be interested in joining the Men's Club, please have them contact me and I will be glad to assist them in the process of joining.

#### **HONORING Our VETERANS**

A USA flag that was flown over the Pentagon on Veterans Day 2021 in honor of Turtle Rock veterans has arrived at the Community Center. A flagpole will be installed so our special flag will have a place of honor.



### ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE 1500 DEFENSE PENTAGON WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301-1500

11/1/2021

To Members of the Turtle Rock Community c/o Dr. Curtis L. Gilroy 8561 Park Shore Lane Sarasota, Florida 34238

To the Veterans of Turtle Rock:

It has come to this Office's attention that your collective contribution to Military Service is significant and worthy of recognition. Your service spans seven decades, multiple conflicts, and blankets the globe with specific service in Korea, Viet Nam, the Gulf Wars, Afghanistan, and the Falkland's, among others. You have served in remote locations and here at home and in all branches of our military. You are women and men and have been medical and intelligence specialists, airmen and gunners, enlisted members and officers, and served in the active force and the reserve component. The sacrifices you and your families made is never forgotten and always appreciated by this Office.

Many of you continue to serve your Country and your communities through involvement in various organizations. This service is also appreciated as it continues to exemplify the code of ethics and honor that our military embraces.

In appreciation for your dedication and service, I wish to congratulate and thank each of you. In recognition of your collective service, I will be presenting you with a flag of the United States of America that will be flown over The Pentagon on Veterans Day 2021 in honor of the veterans of the Turtle Rock Community. You bring great credit to yourselves, your Service, and the United States of America.

As an Air Force officer (retired), and on behalf of this Office and a grateful nation, I thank you for all that you have given to this great country.

Sincerely,

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#### Name That Newsletter Contest!

The Turtle Rock Newsletter has become our primary communication to HOA members, and it allows us to stay connected even when residents are out of town. Last month we launched a **contest** where

YOU get to name the newsletter.

We have some great suggestions to consider already, and it's *not too late just yet*! The committee will meet Dec 2 to consider the entries and select a winner. E-mail your suggestion to

letstalkturtlerock@gmail.com by December 1st!!

The winner will be awarded a pair of Tervis Tumblers .... and bragging rights! The new title will be used as of the January issue.

#### Communications Committee **ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Communications Committee hopes you are enjoying the new look and some expanded offerings in the newsletter. We've reached out to clubs, committees, groups, and individuals to ensure that we are getting you the best information about life here in Turtle Rock. You may notice this issue is a bit shorter than other issues

Unfortunately, we did not receive input from several of our regular sources. The deadline for all newsletter submissions is the 20th of each month. But ANY resident may offer content! If you have an item that needs announcing, or if you want to discuss a submission, please submit your request to letstalkturtlerock@gmail.com by that date. Thank you, and happy holidays to each of you!

#### **The Communications Committee**

The committee is always interested in input from the community. If you have a knack for writing, have ideas for a monthly column, or are willing to take photos of interest to the community, please contact us.

Also, if you have a gripe or a word of praise, let's hear it.

## Send comments, suggestions and articles for consideration to: letstalkturtlerock@gmail.com

(Text must be in Word, Photos as JPEG.)

THANKS for getting involved!

#### **Committee Members and Newsletter Staff**

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