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## Norm's News & Notes

### September 25, 2012

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#### **Hurricane Flood Update:**

The aftermath of Hurricane Debby, which caused heavy rainfall and flooding, is still being felt at Camper's Holiday. Some of our residents in D and A section had little or no flood damage, while others have been dealing with major flooding issues and damage. A few of the snowbird residents in the flood area have returned, while others will have challenges to face as they return in the coming weeks.

The American Red Cross, Hernando County Zoning Department, Hernando County Building Department, Southwest Florida Water Management District, FEMA and other agencies visited the park during and after the flood. On September 20, 2012 the Building Department returned to place notices on a number of units requiring that the interior be inspected prior to occupancy.

On a positive note, the high water and saturated ground helped us find numerous waste water sewer leaks that need to be addressed. We found broken cleanouts, manhole leaks, and water entering the system though some unit plumbing.

**Water Runoff:** During heavy rain there has been a problem with large amounts of water coming across Culbreath Road from a poor drainage area and running down into the park. A meeting was held with an official from the Hernando County Transportation Service Public Works Division and he indicated the county will correct the water problem.

#### **Waste Water Treatment Ponds:**

Due to the excessive amount of rainfall, our engineer, George McDonald, requested a permit from FDEP which would allow CH to pump pond water onto two of our maintenance areas to prevent the containment ponds from overflowing. FDEP issued the permit allowing us to maintain the ponds at required levels rather than paying large amounts of money to have it hauled away.

**WWTP Control Panel Update:** In the last newsletter we reported that the generator control panel at the sewer plant would likely have to be replaced due to the panel being obsolete and parts no longer available. Thanks to the Covell Electric Corp. in Brooksville, some used parts were located and the panel rebuilt for approximately \$1,200. The cost of replacing the panel would have been approximately \$5,000.

**Entrance Gate:** Automated Gates & Engineers completed the relocation and repairs of the gates. They are now functioning properly.

**Park Appearance:** In addition to the six live oak trees that we planted last spring, seven crepe myrtle trees and 40 pampas grass were planted around the park to enhance the landscaping.

**Campground:** We had an increase in the number of groups who camped in the park this summer. We attribute the increase to the advertising done at the FMCA Rally held at airport last winter and additional local advertising.

**Park Maintenance:** Several improvements were made in the park this summer. Items completed include:

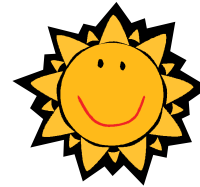
- Refurbishing the entrance sign
- Office renovations
- Updating the picnic area near the pool
- Painting the pool deck
- Installed required PH feeder at pool
- Painting the bathrooms
- Well house compressor was replaced

**Future Meetings:**

- December 6, 2012
- February 28, 2013 (Annual Meeting)

**Employees:**

Sean Cunningham successfully completed the National Swimming Pool Foundation's Certified Pool/Spa Operator course and is now a certified operator. Both maintenance employees are now certified.



**Celebrity:**

Seems we have a celebrity pet in the park. Callie, a Calico cat owned by Velma and Ray Wright, was featured in the Aug/Sept *Good Sam Highways* Pet Tales. Callie was enjoying her vacation in Bainbridge, New York this summer.