

The Tall Pines Hi Lites

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Memorial Service for Bob Krobatsch July 19, 2025

The Tall Pines community will always remember Bob for his decades of volunteer service on the HOA board, the Mens Club/TP Social Club, many many projects and social events, and mostly for being a happy soul and a dear friend to so many.



From the Family:

We would like to thank all of our friends and neighbors in the River Ridge Community for the outpouring of love and support at Bob's Memorial.

All of the cards, phone calls and ongoing prayers were so greatly appreciated!

We are planning a Celebration of Life to take place in the Tall Pines clubhouse in either late October or early November.

An email blast will go out in advance to all who would like to attend. We hope to see you there.

Much love, the Krobatsch family

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AMERI-TECH ANNOUNCEMENT

ANDREW GEORGE HAS BEEN PROMOTED AND REPLACED AS MANAGER OF TALL PINES HOA and RUXTON II HOA .

HIS REPLACEMENT IS:

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**WATCH FOR EMAIL BLASTS FROM BRETT NEWBY REGARDING THE
SOCIAL CLUB MOVIE NIGHTS EACH MONTH:**

TALL PINES' SOCIAL CLUB'S MOVIE NIGHT MAY BE HELD AT THE CLUBHOUSE

ON THE LAST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

SODA POP AND POPCORN SUPPLIED — B.Y.O.B. AND OTHER SNACKS

THERE ARE SEVERAL AVAILABLE MOVIES TO CHOOSE FROM EACH MONTH



THE HI LITES

Our long-time Hi Lites printer is moving his business to Homosassa, which will necessitate the newspaper to be shipped to us. **The paper may not always be delivered on the 1st of the month, so please watch for an email blast from Ameri-tech noting activities during that first week.**

For several years, residents have said they read the newspaper on-line and prefer not to receive a paper copy. If you prefer **NOT** to receive the paper delivered to your door, please email valleywoodsue@gmail.com, put **"Hi Lites"** in the subject line, and provide your name & house address

The board will look into this after the summer months. 19 requests have been rec'd thus far.

Reducing the number that we print will be an obvious savings to the HOA, but we also do not want to make things more difficult for the delivery team, by skipping some homes and delivering to others. Thank you & suggestions to the board are welcome!

"IMPORTANT!! As per our Master Declaration documents (Article XIII, Section 6) all homeowners are required keep in full force and effect at all times a full replacement value insurance policy. **IF YOU HAVE NOT SUBMITTED A COPY OF YOUR HOMEOWNERS INSURANCE DECLARATION PAGE TO YOUR HOA, please send it in to BRETT NEWBY at brettnewby@ameritechmail.com Tall Pines has only 25% of these forms**

ARE YOUR SPRINKLERS NOT WORKING?

Please report this immediately via the website contact form.

We have received several requests recently where residents are stating that they feel they haven't had water for weeks or months, but no requests have been submitted.

We need these reported immediately so they can be put on the work list to be repaired. The best person to report this is the homeowner or resident who sees it every day. We rely on you reporting issues that you notice.

Note: It was recently reported that some of the dead lawns were caused by Chinch Bugs rather than lack of water/irrigation. If you have a concern that Chinch Bugs may have damaged your lawn, please speak to your sub association so that their board can have the contracted pest company check and treat this properly.

GUEST & SERVICE VENDOR PARKING

This is a reminder that anyone having service vehicles coming into the community to do work such as internet, plumbing, A/C or any other vendors, to please inform them not to park on the grass. They must park on a paved surface. Too many have been parking on the grass causing possible damage to the sprinklers located underneath the grass. Any damage will be the homeowner's responsibility to pay for repairs.

VANDALISM AT THE LAQUINTA POND

The Valley Wood Board President Jill Bell has obtained a Homeowner's Association Trespass Agreement from the Pasco County Sheriff's Department as a result of young individuals who have been noted to be throwing trash around and into the pond while fishing.

Call the non-emergency police at 727-847-8102 if you see this or other concerning activity.

TRASH & RECYCLE PICKUP INFORMATION:

TRASH COLLECTION on Mondays and Thursdays Large items such as furniture, BBQ grills, and lamps are **not** accepted for pick up.

RECYCLE COLLECTION on Wednesdays Glass, shredded paper, styrofoam, and items that may tangle are **not** allowed. Plastic Codes # 1, 2, 3, 5 and 7 are taken. Nothing can be in plastic bags. All items must be loose and clean in your pick up container. A blue plastic trash can is preferred but you can use your regular trash can. Do not mix trash with recycle items. See [Pasco West FL | Dumpster Rentals & Garbage Pickup \(wasteconnections.com\)](http://Pasco West FL | Dumpster Rentals & Garbage Pickup (wasteconnections.com)) for more information on what recyclable items are accepted.

TRASH & RECYCLE SCHEDULE

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Presidents Day
Office Open
Normal collection schedule

MLK Day
Office Open
Normal collection schedule

Juneteenth
Office Open
Normal collection schedule

Memorial Day
Office Closed
Normal Collection Schedule

Independence Day
Office Closed
Normal Collection Schedule

Labor Day
Office Closed
Normal collection schedule

Veterans Day
Office Open
Normal collection schedule

Thanksgiving Day
Office Closed
Collection delayed until next service day

Day After Thanksgiving
Office Open
Normal Collection Schedule

Christmas Eve **Office Open**
Normal collection schedule

Christmas Day
Office Closed
Collection delayed until next service day

New Years Day
Office Closed
Collection delayed until next service day

****Please Cut Out and Keep**

BE RESPONSIBLE AND CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG!

Our apologies for publishing something so distasteful, but this disgusting & despicable dog owner behavior **MUST** not be repeated.

This is inconsiderate to your community!!

Dog feces can pose risks to humans such as parasites—roundworms & hookworms, giardia, and bacteria like *Salmonella* and *E. coli*, transmitted through accidental ingestion, or through the skin.



Tall Pines Board Seeks Community Members

Your community could use your help! We know that not everyone wants to make a three-year commitment to join an HOA board, or other regular ongoing commitments, but we also know that some people don't mind helping out when it's not a regular commitment.

Those of us serving on your HOA boards are just regular people, volunteering our time to try to make the community a better place to live. We all either have or had careers in various fields, but are not experts in every area. Sometimes issues come up that we could use a professional opinion on, to help the board make the right decision. Just like any homeowner making repairs or decisions on their own home, the board has to try to learn enough about any particular situation to try to make the right decision for the community. We aren't looking for people to "do" the work, but rather to help us make decisions that are the best for the entire community. Maybe you were a roofer, electrician, engineer, accountant or some other type of specialized career before you retired, or maybe you still are.

If you have expertise in a particular area and would be willing to serve in an advisory capacity, to help guide the board in making an educated decision, please contact any board member and let them know you are willing to provide advisory services and what your expertise is. We are hoping to hear from you!

PLEASE OBSERVE 20 MPH SPEED LIMIT

**THERE ARE MANY COMPLAINTS RE:
SPEEDING ON MILLRIVER ROAD
AND IN HUNT RIDGE WEST
THANK YOU**

EVERY WEDNESDAY 5PM

K  **TALL PINES CLUBHOUSE GAME ROOM**

BYOB & SNACKS **POKER NIGHT** **\$20 BUY-IN POKER ONLY**

 **K**

Call Patrycja for more details 773-827-6849

**-CANASTA
-RUMMY
-SPADES
-EUCHRE
-HEARTS**

TALL PINES COMMUNITY **FLEA MARKET**

COMING SOON

**CALL PATRYCJA AT 773-827-6849
TO RESERVE A TABLE AND FOR
MORE DETAILS**

OBITUARY

WILLIAM “BILL” GREER, 89, formerly of LaQuinta Drive in Valley Wood, passed away in Michigan on June 10th.

The following link to his obituary was omitted in error from the July Hi Lites: www.dignitymemorial.com/obituaries/byron-center-mi/william-greer-12411572

Bill was married to Carmel Greer, who was on the Valley Wood Board of Directors for several years and Bill was a member of its Painting Committee.

The couple was well known during their years in Valley Wood, and making many friends in other Tall Pines communities and the Tall Pines golf leagues.

Sympathy and caring wishes go out to Carmel from many here in Tall Pines.



Tall Pines Board Members - February 2025

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HUNT RIDGE HOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS AS OF 6/30/2025

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Bill Martin Vice – President/Treasurer

Dana Ringwald Secretary

Maureen Johnson Director

RUXTON II HOA 2025 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Donna Hoey President

Joe Capasso Vice President

David Smyth Treasurer

Sherrie Walker Secretary

Charlie Kriss Member at Large

FROM THE TALL PINES BOARD

TALL PINES DIRECTORY The last Tall Pines Directory was printed in 2019, and is very much out of date!

A revised directory would include all the Tall Pines communities. The Board is looking for volunteers to help collect names, phone #s and email addresses, as well as the owner's authorization, in order to be included in the directory update. To volunteer please contact Dawn Horvath at tallpinesdawn@gmail.com. **Pease consider helping out!**

ELECTRICAL SERVICE Please notify Withlacooche Electric to report streetlight or residential outages. Call 352-567-5133, or to report on line, go to wrec.net and click on "Report a Streetlight Outage" or "Report an Outage". If you are unable to report your outages via these methods, you may call of Ameri-Tech, at 727-726-8000 ext. 301.

SPRINKLER SYSTEM PROBLEMS Please use the Contact Form on the Tall Pines website www.tallpinesnpr.com, to submit any problems. If you do not have internet, call Brett Newby, at the above #, and he will fill out a form for you.

IMPORTANT: TO ALL SUBCOMMUNITY BOARDS & ALL USERS OF THE LIBRARY

If you plan to use the library for any sort of meeting or gathering you must notify Patrycja Zajac to reserve your date and time.

All HOAs must notify her if your meeting date for the month has been changed.

Report to Clubhouse Manager Patrycja Zajac at 773-827-6849 for conflict review.

Meeting changes have resulted in conflicts with scheduled events. Thank you!

Tall Pines Hurricane Season (June 1—November 1) Reminders

Know your Evacuation Zone: Only homes south of Millriver Drive are in **Zone E** - Valley Wood & West Hunt Ridge. The rest of our Tall Pines homes are not in an Evacuation Zone.

Sandbags: Pick up at Magnolia Valley Golf Course: 7223 Massachusetts Avenue, W.H. Jack Mitchell, Jr. Park: 4825 Little Rd. or at the Street Department: 6420 Pine Hill Rd., all in New Port Richey.

Pasco County Official Hurricane Website is:

www.pascocountyfl.net/335/Hurriane-Preparedness

Florida Hurricane Guide is available at www.floridadisaster.org

Prepare and Stay Safe before, during and after a hurricane!

Clarification note for new Floridians –

Evacuation Zone and Flood Zone are not the same thing.

Evacuation Zones are used by local emergency management agencies and help organize an evacuation process in the event of an emergency, whereas flood zones are designated by FEMA and used to assess the risk of flooding over time.

THOUGHTS & PRAYERS go out to

Sarah Farkas Krystyna Johnson
Dana Ringwald
Peggy Krobatsch
Lynda Leonard

Please contact Sue Mac Queen at
valleywoodsue@gmail.com to add someone
to our list.



BOOKS AND PUZZLES GALORE!

There are many, many books, games, movies and puzzles in the Clubhouse library! Tall Pines owners are encouraged to borrow and enjoy the collection. Please use, and return on the honor system.

Clubhouse Keys, \$20 each, are available from Patrycja Zajac, Clubhouse Manager

CLUBHOUSE RENTAL **

The Clubhouse is available for owners to rent for events such as:

Christmas & New Years
Parties Retirement Parties
Meetings Birthdays
Weddings
Life Celebrations Showers

For information contact **Patrycja Zajac**
at paciorka@gmail.com, or 773-827-6849
Pricing & Rules can be obtained on our website
www.tallpinesnpr.com

* * **\$500 Security Deposit Required**

REMINDERS

Keep
our
streets
SAFE!



**PLEASE OBEY THE
SPEED LIMIT AND
THE "PLEASE SLOW
DOWN" SIGNS!**

PLEASE STOP FEEDING WILDLIFE

The Board is asking residents to refrain from feeding alligators, ducks, deer, Sandhill Cranes etc.

**PLEASE DO NOT THROW CIGARETTE
BUTTS ON THE ROADS OR GRASS!!**

DOG WALKERS

The most common complaint about some, is letting their dog up onto a neighbor's property. Please keep your dog leashed at the edge of the grass/road junction.

SOCIAL CLUB NOTES

The next meeting will be in the Fall.

The movie night for August is to be determined. Our new Ameri-Tech manager Brett Newby, will be sending out an email blast each month if a movie night is scheduled for the last Friday in August.

SAVE THE DATES! The 2025 Christmas Party is on December 6th and the Veterans Celebration is on November 11th.

And,

Our Sympathy Goes Out to Peggy Krobatsch upon the passing of her husband, and our Club Officer, Bob Krobatsch.

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Eric Kopp

727-457-3460

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SHRUB OR HEDGE TRIMMING

Trimming of certain shrubs and hedges is done every month.

Since all sub-associations have not contracted with the same vendor, the universal sign to let a company know that you do not want a trimming done, is to tie a red ribbon on it, cover it with a towel, or put up a "Do Not Trim" sign.

THE HI LITES ARE ALWAYS AVAILABLE TO YOU!

For those of you who travel between your northern home and your Tall Pines home. When you are not here to retrieve your paper copy of the Hi Lites, you can always find a copy on our website at <https://tallpinesnpr.com/newsletter.php> We also keep archives, and right now there are approximately six years' worth of historical Hi Lites stored on the site. Tall Pines wishes to send a thank you to Hi Lites editor, Sue MacQueen, for all of her time and effort in making these newsletters available, and to our delivery team out in the community.

P.S. RENTERS may be placed on the Tall Pines website and receive all emails sent to the community.

Just send your name, home address & email address to Andrew, at Ameri-Tech. See cover page, bottom right.

JULY BUNKO WINNERS

Most Wins - Bev Dierking

Most Losses - Rosemary

Jaskierny & Patrycja Zajac

Most Bunkos - Jill Samu

AUGUST Bunko

IS scheduled for

AUGUST 15th, 6:30 pm

COME ENJOY OUR NEXT

LIVELY, FUN GAME

WIN SOME \$\$\$

Please RSVP by leaving a message for
Maureen Johnson at 727-848-3549

August Hi Lites

will be on-line only

SEE THE ALL COLOR


HI LITES AT

[https://](https://tallpinesnpr.com)

tallpinesnpr.com

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AUGUST 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
No Ruxton II Meeting until further notice	Valley Wood meets next in the Fall	No Hunt Ridge HOA meeting in August			1	2
3	4 Trash	5	6 Recycle Game Night 5 PM every Wednesday in Game Room	7 Trash Social Club Meetings resume in Fall	8 Bunko is next week	9
10	11 Trash	12	13 Recycle Game Night 5 PM every Wednesday in Game Room	14 Trash	15 BUNKO 6:30 RSVP Maureen 727-848-3549	16
17	18 Trash	19	20 Recycle Ruxton Village HOA Meets 7 PM Game Night 5 PM	21 Trash Tall Pines HOA Meeting 7 PM	22	23
24 31—	25 Trash <u>HI LITES</u> <u>DEAD LINE</u>	26	27 Recycle Game Night 5 PM	28 Trash	29 ?? Movie Night Watch for email Blast! 	30