

Countryside Living...

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PALM BEACH COUNTRY ESTATES LANDOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONSM

SPECIAL LANDOWNERS' MEETING APPRECIATED BY RESIDENTS

Due to Hurricane Frances, the regularly scheduled Landowners' meeting for Sept. 14th, 2004 was cancelled. Many residents were without power. Roads and homesites were filled with debris, and neighbors were busy helping neighbors recover.

Although the next regularly scheduled meeting was not until Nov. 9th (2nd Tuesday of every other month), the Board called a Special Meeting for the residents. The Special Meeting of Oct. 26th was timely and in advance of the regular meeting due to the upcoming issues of the proposed church going before the County Commission on October 28th and the Nov 2nd general election. Following an introduction by our President Angela Powell-Craney, speakers discussed issues with our community and residents had the opportunity to participate in the issues.

The first series of speakers included a representative of the campaigns of Ric Bradshaw and Ken Eggleston, both running for Sheriff. A representative of Monroe Benaim campaign for the School Board also addressed the community. Each speaker engaged in a Question & Answer period with all residents. David Harris, candidate for School Board came after adjournment and held personalized discussions following a brief summary of his campaign position.

Next on the Agenda, Pastor White spoke to residents and addressed many questions and concerns made by those present, regarding the proposed Worship Center Baptist Church. Although a model replica and large photo of an existing church were presented, it was stated

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SIRWCD PUBLIC MEETING

Residents and Board members attended the last scheduled Public meeting regarding road projects and "city" water.

Residents expressed concerns for and against both projects. It was indicated that the final legal agreement between SIRWCD and the Town of Jupiter was still not approved.

A majority of landowners, within the benefited area on 160th St. N. in PBCE, submitted petitions retracting the OGEM for their road. SIRWCD agreed to follow the original referendum instead of the most recent Landowners Initiative, making it the only OGEM road in PBCE. The other two roads, based on returned ballots, were previously turned down by a large majority of 89% on 85th and 82% on 73rd.

Mr. Berman announced that his family decided to donate a lot at the end of 69th to SIRWCD for the long awaited community park.

This was the first meeting of the two re-elected officers of Michael Danchuk and Bob Berman in a very close race. The tally of signed Ballots was:

Danchuk, Mike	1693
Berman, Bob	1669
Kimble, Stan	1586
Hinkle, Steve	1478

Mike, Bob and Stan are long time residents of PBCE.

Thank you to all the candidates who volunteered to run for this position and to all the residents who donated tremendous amounts of money and time in efforts toward the benefit of our community.

BOARD REPRESENTS RESIDENTS CONCERNS REGARDING CHURCH

On Oct 28th, 2004, the Palm Beach County Commissioners Meeting reviewed the Worship Center Baptist Church, proposed by Pastor Kenneth White. The proposed plan, with restrictions, was approved with a vote of 4 to 2. The property is located on the wooded lot on the corner of 64th and Donald Ross Rd and was sold to the church by Palm Beach Country Estates, Inc., a local real estate company owned by Bob Berman.

Correspondence regarding the proposed Church was hand

delivered, by appointment, to several County Commissioners by our President. Some of the concerns included increased traffic, safety, encroachment of traffic overflow into our community, height of the steeple, lighting, hours of operation, impact on the bordering neighbors, and changing the integrity of our neighborhood. This will be the 4th church within an approx. 1/2 mile radius of each other.

One PBCE Board member indicated to the Commissioners

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Finally, we are nearing the end of the longest hurricane season many of us have ever seen! It is great to see our community back on its feet after those chaotic times. The stories we can tell about those weeks will stay with us forever as will the quiet and grateful relief of how fortunate we really are and how much worse it could have been. I sincerely hope letter this finds everyone well and back on track.

Your Board has been involved in several issues regarding the community, one being the Worship Center Baptist Church proposed on the corner of 64th and Donald Ross. We called a Special Meeting here on October 26th for the purpose of giving the residents another opportunity to hear about the proposal from Pastor White. There were many residents in attendance. After many meetings with county zoning staff and commissioners, we presented our opposition to the proposed Church before the Board of County Commissioners at the October 28th meeting. While we made a strong case for traffic and safety issues as well, the Commissioners passed the site plan 4-2.

We have also incorporated a new and very informative

website for you to enjoy. It is www.pbce.org and is up-to-date and comprehensive, not to mention, very beautifully done. We wish to give special thanks to our webmaster, Mark Powell, a resident of PBCE, who is volunteering his expertise to make this happen. We have plans to set up many links of interest, but first we need your feedback as to what you want to see. Our new site will be growing with the community as we gather information and is now ready for you to enjoy with minutes. contact information and much more. Check it out!

As we mentioned at our last Member's Meeting, the Fall Festival will be replaced by a spring event. (The hurricanes confirmed that!) We would like to plan a winter activity to bring the community together, as well. Any suggestions are welcomed and can be e-mailed to the Board on our new website or directly to Lisa, our Secretary at: lisaee82@aol.com Please feel free to contact the Board with any concerns, ideas or questions you may have. Meanwhile, let's enjoy this beautiful weather and this great community in which we live!

Angela Powell-Craney
President

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SPECIAL SPEAKER FOR NOV. 9TH

Because of recent complaints regarding garbage pick up and procedures the Board has followed up in writing to the Solid Waste Authority. As a result, the Solid Waste Authority has authorized Mr. Leon Goldenberg, our community Field Service Representative, to speak at the

November 8, 2004 Landowners' meeting . Mr. Goldenberg will provide us with valuable information on waste disposal issues and he will attempt to address any concerns of the residents. Be sure to come to the next meeting and confer with Mr. Goldenberg.

COUNTRYSIDE LIVING... YOUR COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Countryside Living is a periodic publication paid for by Landowners' dues and advertising to inform the Community of updated issues and information. This Association has represented you and the community since 1980 and was formed to do this as a unified voice. The membership is voluntary. however an effort is made for all residents to receive this publication as well as to provide an official website for community information. The website pbce.org was previously palmbeachcountryestates.org which has not yet been turned over to the Board by the previous President. The website has been paid for by the Landowners' dues.

Our publication strives to represent ALL residents. The recent publication Neighborhood News was sponsored by a real estate firm for business interests. For clarification purposes, YOUR informative newsletter Countryside Living, is not related to this business venture.

The name Palm Beach Country Estates Landowners' AssociationSM is a/k/a, and d/b/a Donald Ross Landowners' Association. The name is also protected by the state through a SM (service mark) for its exclusive use by YOUR organization and your elected Board. Donald Ross Landowners' Association, Inc. and Palm Beach Country Estates Landowners' AssociationSM are synonymous with representation as a unified voice.

Historically, the publication has come out after either one or two regularly scheduled meetings, which are every other month. Although we are within this established timeframe, difficulties have arisen with hurricanes and delays regarding the turning over of necessary information from the previous leadership. Countryside Living continues to be YOUR publication, serving and representing YOU and community interests in the same unified voice as it has always done.

A special thank you to the Living Oaks Ministries Church of God, previously Palm Beach Country Estates Church of God on 64th, for years of opening your doors to include our community and community meetings.

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that actual designs for the church had not been done to date. This is the second time the Pastor has made a presentation to our community.

The meeting room was practically a full house! Cookies (thank you Cookie August for bringing them!) and door prizes

were enjoyed by all. Afterwards residents enjoyed socializing.

Although not on the Agenda, Mr. Berman, a local realtor, left handouts on the table for residents regarding his family donation of our community Park, which has been in the works for years.

CONCERNS REGARDING CHURCH

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that one church has already fallen into disrepair and is in possible code violation; therefore if the county cannot adequately monitor these situations, the Board will.

After the meeting, the Board members present spoke informally with Pastor White and all agreed to work together.

The position of the Landowners' Association Board against the church was originally filed by Michael Danchuk, as previous President, noted in the October 2003 *Countryside* newsletter. Our newly elected Landowners' Association Board unanimously followed previously set position in conjunction with new concerns of residents from the recent Special Meeting.

Special thanks to Bob Berman of Berman Realty, Inc. and his family for the Margaret Berman Memorial Park land donation. Also a special thank you to the many residents who have volunteered their time, for years, toward making this park happen for the community.



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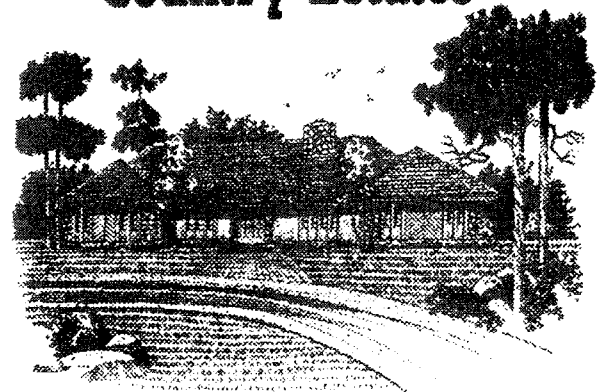
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CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING

Telephone our Secretary, Lisa at 743-3747 and she will be happy to assist you when placing an ad in your community newsletter *Countryside Living*. If you would like to place an ad via e-mail notify us at www.pbce.org. Remember, that if you are under 18 years old your classified advertisement is FREE.

PBCE EQUESTRIAN INFORMATION

Join the Horse Hotline!

In an effort to keep community equestrians in touch, we now have a new email for resident horse owners of all ages:

PBCEhorses@aol.com

We are interested in creating an e-mail and phone network for fun, emergency help, moonlight and neighborhood rides. Drop us a line!

C.O.P. Mounted Patrols

Please remember to fax your community reports to our Block Captain Jeannie Millette before the 6th of each month at giddyupranch@bellsouth.net

Thank you for the years of service these volunteers have contributed to the well-being of our community.

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Jupiter Farms Community Parade and Craft Fair

Mark your calendars for Sunday, December 5, 2004 for the 13th Annual Jupiter Farms Community Parade and 5th Annual Craft Fair. The theme this year is "Blue Roof Christmas". The equestrian entry will need to be thinking of a creative way to decorate themselves and their horses for this unique theme!

Equestrians from Palm Beach Country Estates have always been a hit in past parades winning over 6 years of 1st and 2nd place ribbons for the community. Residents of all ages have participated from our community including children as young as 4 years old, on their own ponies. There are many new equestrian residents we would like to meet! E-mail us today on our new Horse Hotline!

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