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Letter from Ed Schreiner

President, Fountain Lakes Community Association

I can't believe it's September already. Kids are going back to school and soon we'll get to welcome back our seasonal residents again. It seemed to me that this "off season" was busier than I can remember in the past.....probably due to the development going on in our new village.

I thought I would concentrate this month on the things we have been doing to improve our appearance as the real estate market heats up and we have more people shopping for homes, condos and villas.

We've invested more this year in landscaping improvements than I believe we have in awhile. The coleus plants at our entrances are spectacular and I hope will be the first of many colorful beds of flowers to greet people as they enter our complex. But, perhaps the most important investment has been our increasing commitment to maintenance of the things we have put in. We have increased our contract with our landscaper to account for a full time landscaping maintenance person three days a week. Putting in the new landscaping is certainly a good thing, but it doesn't take long here in Florida for it to become overgrown and weed infested which counters all the goodwill we

get when we do the improvements. Already, I can see the improvement in terms of weeding, trimming and clearing out vine infestations. We will continue to monitor this new program to make sure we are getting our money's worth.

In another area of enhancement, I had the fun opportunity to watch the filming of our community using a drone with camera. The board voted a few months ago to fund the making of a promotional video that will give visitors to our web site or Facebook site a preview of the community. By the time you read this, the video should be available on both sites. With the uptick in real estate values and interested buyers, we felt it was a worthwhile investment to make for our community.

By the way, I am pleased to announce that we are experiencing in excess of 500 hits a month on our Facebook page, It has obviously become the communications vehicle of choice for everyone. In addition, we continue to work on improvements for our web page and I encourage everyone to visit both sites regularly to stay abreast of events in our community.



National Campus Fire Safety: It's a matter of Life and Death

Submitted by Susan Lindenmuth, Public Relations Manager



FIRE RESCUE

College life. There isn't anything quite like it. It is the beginning of a new life into an adulthood for many college students. For many parents, it is a time of mixed feelings; wanting their child to become independent.... but not too independent.

Colleges and universities are busy preparing for the arrival of new residents and students are ready to make the move. Some will be first year students moving into the residence halls. Other arriving students will be moving off-campus and living on their own, some for the first time. For most of these students, the last fire safety training they received was in grade school; but with new independence comes new responsibilities. It is important that both off-campus and on-campus students understand fire risks and know the preventative measures that could save their lives.

So what can you do?

September is Campus Fire Safety Month. If you talk, they will listen.....really. Talk to your child about taking responsibility for their safety. Develop a fire prevention plan and an evacuation plan that includes planning escape routes and taking fire alarms seriously.

Become a safety inspector. Tour the living area with your child and make note of items like smoke alarms, fire extinguishers and lighted exit signs. Perform a 'home inspection' for fire and safety hazards. Look for blocked exit ways or crowded corridors and report them to the schools administration. Ask for the schools fire safety plan and safety records and follow up on any items you report to make sure they are corrected.

And students, remember to take your safety seriously. Here are some tips to help make your college experience all that it should be:

Candles

- Do not leave candles unattended.
- Keep candles away from draperies and linens.

Cooking

- Cook only where it is permitted.
- Keep your cooking area clean and uncluttered.

FIRE RESCUE

- If you use electric appliances, don't overload circuits.
- Never leave cooking unattended.
- If a fire starts in a microwave, keep the door closed and unplug the unit.

Smoking

- If you must smoke, only smoke outside of the building.
- Use deep, wide, sturdy ashtrays. Ashtrays should be set on something sturdy and hard to ignite.
- It is risky to smoke when you've been drinking or are drowsy.
- NEVER smoke in bed.
- Soak cigarettes before emptying an ashtray.
- After a party, check furniture and cushions for smoldering butts.

Escape Planning

- If you have to escape through smoke, get low and go under the smoke to your exit.
- Before opening a door, feel the door. If it's hot, use your second way out.
- Use the stairs; never use an elevator during a fire.
- If you're trapped, call the fire department and tell them where you are. Seal your door with rags and signal from your window. Open windows slightly at the top and bottom; shut them if smoke rushes in from any direction.
- If you have a disability, alert others of the type of assistance you need to leave the building.

If you have any questions about developing a fire safety plan, contact Public Relations Manager Susan Lindenmuth at 239-390-8000.

For more information on **National Campus Fire Safety Month**, visit www.campusfiresafetymonth.org or www.campus-firewatch.com.

History of the Village of Estero

from the Village of Estero Website - <https://estero-fl.gov/about/history/>

The name Estero is Spanish for estuary – where the river meets the sea – and until the 1970's much of the settlement and development in Estero was near the Estero River, then called Estero Creek.

In the early days, Estero was a major citrus producing area. The first homesteader is reported to be Gustave Damkohler who in 1882 farmed citrus along the Estero River and then used the river to ship his harvests north via the Gulf of Mexico.

Estero's most noted pioneer was Cyrus Teed, leader of the Koreshan Unity which believed the universe existed within a giant hollow sphere. He and some of his followers began settling along the Estero River in 1894. Gustave Damkohler joined the group and donated his 320 acres of land to the Unity.

The Koreshans were able to incorporate 110 square miles into the Town of Estero in 1904. The municipality stretched from a mile north of today's Gladiolus Drive in south Fort Myers to a mile north of Bonita Beach Road in Bonita Springs and included all of today's Lovers Key State Park and the Town of Fort Myers Beach. The Town of Estero was later abolished in 1907.

During this time, the Koreshans opened a post office, store, blacksmith and saw mill; established schools for all those who wanted to attend; built an Art Hall for their symphony orchestra and theater group, and gathered exotic vegetation from throughout the world which they planted on their grounds. Eleven remaining historic structures are being maintained at the Koreshan State Historic Site.

Not all the homesteaders of that time were happy with the Koreshans. In 1901 Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Hendry deeded land for the Estero Creek School with the restriction of prohibiting all things Koreshan. This school operated until 1903; there is no record of why it closed.

A second, one-room Estero Creek School opened in 1904 and functioned until 1927, with the exception of a one-year closure due to the 1910 hurricane. The school now sits at the Estero Community Park next to a restored 1902 house which was first owned by Frank Hall, trustee of the school.

In 1921, a new four-room school with indoor plumbing and Mediterranean Revival styling was built to accommodate 100 students. Called the Broadway Estero School, it operated until 1949 and still sits next to

the old post office on Broadway.

Fast forward to 2001-02... Estero had become the epicenter of growth. This is when Don Eslick, Neal Noethlich and a number of others decided to form the Estero Council of Community Leaders (ECCL) to address residents' concerns and suggestions for how the community should continue to grow.

The ECCL, the Estero Community Planning Panel and Estero Design Review Committee established the architectural and landscaping guidelines which define Estero today. The attractive buildings and landscaping encompassing Coconut Point Mall, Lowes and Walmart are all prime examples of Estero's high development standards.

In July 2013, the ECCL, then chaired by Nick Batos, initiated incorporation efforts which resulted in the 20 square mile community officially becoming the Village of Estero on December 31, 2014. On March 17, 2015, Batos was elected the Village's first mayor.

Key Dates in the formation of the Village of Estero

December 31, 2014: Village of Estero is created and established

January 12–16, 2015 noon: Candidate Qualifying Dates

January 31, 2015: 9:30 a.m., Saturday, Village Council Candidate Forum, Living Waters Church, 22100 S. Tamiami Trail

February 2, 2015: Deadline to register to vote in the Village of Estero election held March 3.

February 2-7, 2015: Ballot by Mail forms will be mailed to registered voters. Ballots will not be forwarded.

February 3, 2015: 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Village Council Candidate Forum, Living Waters Church, 22100 S. Tamiami Trail

February 25-28, 2015: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Early Voting for Village of Estero Council Candidates, Estero Recreation Center, 9200 Corkscrew Palms Blvd.

March 3, 2015: Election of Estero Village Council members

March 17, 2015: First Village of Estero Council meeting



Estero River



Planetary Court at Koreshan State Park

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In Memoriam

It is with such sadness in our hearts that we announce the passing of Ted and Alice Walat, within a week of each other, right before their 63rd wedding anniversary. Ted and Alice were one of the original homeowners when Fountain Lakes was in its beginning stages. They devoted and dedicated countless hours in forming what Fountain Lakes is today. Their legacy lives on.... Our deepest sympathy to their family, friends and everyone whose hearts were touched by them. Expressions of sympathy may be sent to their daughter, Linda Cosgrove • 987 Stratford Ct. • Racine, WI 53406 Donations may be made in Ted and Alice's memory to Wounded Warriors: <https://support.woundedwarriorproject.org/> or Hope Hospice: <http://www.hopehospice.org/donate/>



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August 10, 2015, Council Meeting (<https://estero-fl.gov/august-10-2015-council-meeting/>)

Interlocal Agreement with Lee County

Council members reviewed and approved the interlocal agreement for continued public services between the Village of Estero and Lee County assuring the county will continue to provide the following services to the village:

- transportation
- road maintenance and roadside canal maintenance
- natural resources and surface water management
- animal control and shelter.

The interlocal agreement calls for the village to pay the county \$2,986,242 for these services, which will be provided at the same level as currently received, thus providing seamless coverage for Estero residents.

Services can be transferred to Estero or added back to the county with a 60 day notice.

The interlocal agreement pertaining to the collection of impact fees is retroactive to January 1, 2015, which is estimated to bring \$695,700 to the village.

The interlocal agreement pertaining to shared data and services of the Lee County Property Appraiser will provide Estero with GIS operations, or mapping, at no cost to the village.

Community Development

The village is planning to take over the Community Development operations in the near future and will pay the county for these services on a month-to-month basis after October 1. The village expects to initiate the village's planning, zoning and code enforcement to start with and then take over permitting on January 1, 2016.

Interim Village Manager Peter Lombardi reported that two of the four companies responding to the RFQ for firms providing general planning services fully met the required qualifications: Calvin, Giordano & Associates and CH2M.

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Lombardi recommended Calvin Giordano as first choice and CH2M as second choice. Council approved the priority list and authorized Lombardi and Vice-Mayor Levitan to negotiate a contract and fee with Calvin Giordano and, if successful, bring it to council for approval. If they are unsuccessful in the negotiations, they will negotiate with CH2M. The process is governed by the Consultants Competitive Negotiation Act (CNNA).

Audit Selection Committee

The Council agreed to appoint Interim Village Manager Peter Lombardi, Finance Director Lisa Pace and Estero resident Bob Lienesch to the Audit Selection Committee.

Council Communications

Council member Bill Ribble thanked Interim Village Manager Peter Lombardi for his assistance with the future office space at 9401 Corkscrew Palms Circle. Lombardi proved the council chamber could be enlarged by 15 feet, allowing for additional room for increased attendance at future meetings.

Council member Katy Errington noted that the Estero Historical Preservation Citizens Committee had met recently and is working with FGCU to digitize all remaining historical documents from the Koreshans, Happaatchee Center and others.

Council member Jim Boesch noted that the Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) has listed improvements to the I-75 Corkscrew Road interchange as its number 1 priority.

Council member Jim Wilson stated there are 70 applicants for the permanent Village Manager position. He noted that Peter Lombardi did not apply but offered his assistance during the transition. All council thanked Lombardi for his work to date and for assisting in the future.

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Letter From Joni & Joe Pavich

Hi Neighbors
 The summer flew by!! Happy Labor Day!! We will start to see our Snowbirds come back next month. Please go to our website www.fountainlakesestero.com and take a look at the drone video of our community...IT'S FABULOUS!! We had a very wet summer, I was ready to build an Arc. The Real Estate Market continues to be STRONG, we had a GREAT summer. Property values continue to go up as the inventory declines. New construction is booming and apartment complexes continue to pop up east of Three Oaks. That's all for now!

Until next month...Health and Happiness!

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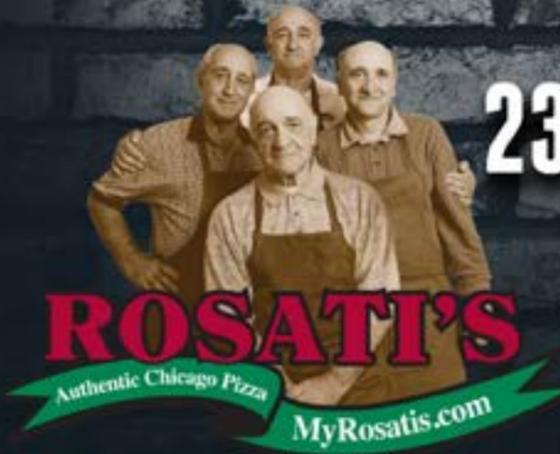
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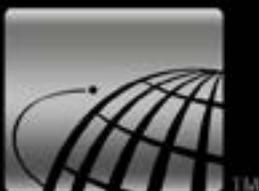
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