



**Catalina Isles/Skylark Estates  
Homeowners Association Newsletter  
February 2018**

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**\* GENERAL MEETING \***

**Thursday, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 – 7:45 PM**

*Meet and greet your neighbors, enjoy pizza from 6:00-6:15 pm  
Merritt Island Library, 1195 N. Courtenay Pkwy*

**Guest Speaker:      Kaylyn Palmer from Keep Brevard Beautiful**

*Kaylyn Palmer is the Program Coordinator for the Lagoon Friendly Lawn program with Keep Brevard Beautiful, an affiliate of Keep America Beautiful. The Lagoon Friendly Lawn program was developed after it was determined that our recent major fish kill was directly related to lawn runoff of pesticides and fertilizers. "Through the Lagoon Friendly Lawn program, we can all be part of a community level solution by making positive behavior changes when it comes to the care and keeping of our lawns." Kaylyn is also involved with the litter control, education, recycling, and beautification programs with Keep Brevard Beautiful and its network of volunteers who strive to maintain and improve the environment of Brevard County.*

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR OUR FUTURE MEETINGS IN 2018**

**DIRECTORS MEETINGS:**

*Thursday, April 12  
Thursday, September 13  
Monday, November 5*

**GENERAL MEETINGS:**

*Thursday, May 10  
Thursday, October 11  
Holiday Party in December*

*All meetings are from 6 to 7:45pm at the Merritt Island Library, 1195 N. Courtenay Pkwy.*

*All Residents (owners and renters) are welcome and encouraged to attend the General Meetings. However, only Members are permitted to attend the Board of Directors Meetings.*

**ANNUAL GARAGE SALE**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 28, 2018 from 8:00am to 2:00pm.** (Rain date: May 5).

The HOA will advertise the Community Garage Sale in the local newspapers.

# CATALINA ISLES/SKYLARK ESTATES HOA WEBSITE

[www.catalinaskylark.com](http://www.catalinaskylark.com)

We are very excited about our new website launched February 1<sup>st</sup>. Thanks to all who have visited it, paid their dues online, signed up for an electronic newsletter and created a login account. It is a beautiful professional website with many possibilities for growth and expansion. Our goal is to provide better communication within the neighborhood and greater integration with the community at large, always with the purpose of improving the welfare of all.

We are very thankful to **James Turner, owner of My Island Designs** located at 517 N. Courtenay Pkwy., for creating the website. As resident of Catalina Isles with his wife and four daughters James wanted to contribute to the neighborhood. As a result, he has put many hours in designing a beautiful, professional and user-friendly website for our neighborhood, showing great dedication and care for his clients. Please support his business and recommend his work. You can contact James Turner at 321 301-4797 or at [james@myislanddesigns.com](mailto:james@myislanddesigns.com) .

My Island Designs is a Florida website design company with many years of experience in creating engaging, mobile-friendly sites for businesses, corporations and churches. Every website they design has one purpose, to provide the client with a website that looks good, functions well and produces results using the most current approaches of web design.

## **HELPFUL INFORMATION ON NAVIGATING THROUGH THE WEBSITE:**

Our goal in creating this website is to improve communication, enhance participation, and help support each other within our neighborhood. We want to make it easier for you to contact the board and communicate what is happening in the neighborhood especially in cases of storms, flooding, neighborhood watch and other events such as garage sales, etc.

We encourage everyone to browse through the site and send their suggestions and ideas. At the bottom of every page in the black section, you can click on "*Contact Us*" and send your comments, questions, concerns, posts, classified ads and any events or useful links you would like to see added to the website. Please help us expand the site.

You will find many pages with links to useful information, community sites and local events. All letters highlighted in green or any green buttons are links for you to click on.

When you pay your dues, we ask that you create a member account. If you pay online you will receive an email, with information on how to create it (check your spam if you don't get the email). If you encounter problems, contact us and we will create the account for you. When you pay by mail or at the meetings, we will create your account and send you an email with your user name and password. You can either change the password or keep the original password.

Members can send photos, add their business to the Business Directory, advertise services (dog-walking, babysitting, lawn maintenance etc..) post a classified ad such as furniture for sale or a garage sale. All ads will be public. As a member, even if you have not yet created your login account, you can still send us the information you want posted or advertised.

Please be patient while we improve any technical issues that may arise and we finish creating and expanding the blog section, neighborhood watch and other pages. We want your feedback! You can contact us through the website or by email: micatsky@gmail.com .

## Commercial Fishing in the Canals

A recent problem has surfaced for some Catalina Isles/Skylark Estates residents. Commercial fishermen in the canals, especially in the canal west of Richland Ave., are throwing dead fish, they snag in their nets, back into the canals. We brought this problem to the attention of both the Florida Fish and Wildlife and the Marine Patrol. According to FF&W, the fishermen are not breaking any law and tossing the dead fish back into the water is "humane," since it might revive the fish. They added that fishing for mullet would end in a week or so, and that the problem would be moot. However, the Marine Patrol had a much different reaction. According to them, discarding dead fish back into the canal was a violation. An agent was dispatched to the Richland Ave. canal on Tuesday, February 13th. We were told to inform the residents, who live on canals and have this problem, to video or photograph identifying numbers on boats with fishermen throwing back dead fish. Without evidence they have no one to hold accountable. You can contact Marine Patrol at 888.404.3922

## Code Enforcement Complaints

It has come to our attention that someone, who wishes to remain anonymous, has been driving around the sub-division and filing unsubstantiated complaints against many homeowners. We would like to make it clear that it is not the HOA making these complaints.

The Catalina Isles/Skylark Estates HOA encourages everyone to cooperate for the welfare and betterment of the neighborhood, but we do not complain about property because of the length of grass, weeds or any unsubstantiated violation. However we do file complaints with Brevard County Code Enforcement against issues such as houses that are abandoned and left in disarray as they can pose health problems, and decrease the value of surrounding properties and diminish the entire neighborhood.

## Important Contact Information

Your suggestions or concerns can be directed to Officers, Directors, or the HOA email address:

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Gary Young (Neighbor Watch)	321.305.5645	Joyce Young	321.305.5645
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Margie Hartley	321.863.5543		

**Please Pay Your 2018 Annual Dues by April 1<sup>st</sup>**

Dues are used to maintain the HOA, produce the newsletters, pay for beautification projects, maintain the website, advertise our annual garage sale, fund the Holiday Party, provide refreshments and speakers for our meetings, support the Neighborhood Watch program and other activities that benefit our neighborhood and the community as a whole.

***PAY BY MAIL:*** We have provided a self-addressed envelope for your dues. Please, send a check for \$15.00 payable to Catalina Isles/Skylark Estates HOA, P. O. Box 540401, Merritt Island, FL 32954-0401 together with this form (please include your email address).

***PAY ONLINE:*** You can go online to our website [www.catalinaskylark.com](http://www.catalinaskylark.com) and pay with a credit card or with your PayPal account. (The site is secured and protected).

***Pay with cash or check at the General Meeting.***

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to have an Electronic Newsletter sent to my email address and opt out of paper delivery.

**I would like to get involved with (please check the desired activity):**

- Being a Director     Deliver Newsletters     Website     Beautification needs
- Organizing events     Neighborhood Watch     General volunteer



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