



**Catalina Isles/Skylark Estates  
Homeowners Association Newsletter  
February 2019**

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

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**Next General Meeting:  
Merritt Island Library**

**Monday, Feb. 25, 2019  
6:00 – 7:45 pm**

Meet & Greet your neighbors;  
Enjoy pizza from 6:00 – 6:15 pm

This meeting is open to all residents (owners and renters) in Catalina Isles/Skylark Estates

**Featured Speaker:      **Brevard County Sheriff Wayne Ivey****

*Sheriff Wayne Ivey has been a Law Enforcement Officer for over three decades and was elected Brevard County Sheriff in 2012. Sheriff Ivey firmly believes that Crime Prevention and Education are vital to reduce our crime rate and protect our community.  
Please come prepared with questions for this engaging community leader.*

An HOA committee worked on updating our HOA by-laws since they hadn't been updated in years. The revised by-laws are available for viewing on our website: [www.catalinaskylark.com](http://www.catalinaskylark.com). In addition, the revised by-laws will be read out loud 30 minutes prior to the start of the General Meeting on Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm.



The February 25<sup>th</sup> General meeting is 'Election Day' for the officers of our HOA. As always, it is an open election, meaning all residents who paid their 2018 dues are invited to be nominated for office.

Here are the responsibilities of our HOA Officers:

<b>PRESIDENT</b>	<b>VICE-PRESIDENT</b>	<b>TREASURER</b>	<b>SECRETARY</b>
Chairs the General meetings and Board of Directors meetings and sets agendas for all meetings. Delegates responsibilities and assists with events and projects.	Acts as back-up to the President and chairs various committees.	Accepts and deposits dues, pays bills and files reports on our financial status. Complies with state requirements for our non-profit status. Maintains website on-line dues.	Records and distributes minutes from all Directors and General meetings.  <b>THIS POSITION WILL BE VACANT as our current Secretary will be stepping down in March. We will need someone to fill this position.</b>

***We'd like to say a HUGE thank-you to Candace McManus, who has been our HOA Secretary for many years. Candace is a dedicated volunteer and will continue on as a member of our Board.***

If you're not yet interested in being an HOA Officer, please consider joining our Board of Directors. Directors guide the direction of our HOA, and we are always looking for new ideas and ways to engage the members of our neighborhood. Your involvement will help shape our community!

**If you didn't join our Holiday party in December, you missed a good time!**

There were 79 attendees who joined their friends and neighbors for an evening of great food, fabulous door prizes, wonderful live music – and one lucky person who participated in the 50/50 raffle went home \$150 richer!!



We want to thank the local businesses that generously donated door prizes to us:

- Merritt Island Beef O' Brady's • Midas • Island Gecko Grill • Shore Lanes • Island Therapeutic Massage • Outback • Solar Car Wash • Cozy Corner Café • Sunbay Fitness • Super Cuts • Merritt Island Pancake House • Island Kleen Machine • Basil Pizza & Pasta • Jack and Harry's • Kelsey's Pizza



**Get ready to do a little spring cleaning and sell some great stuff!**

The annual Catalina Isles / Skylark Estates Community Garage Sale will be:

**Sat. April 27<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm.** (Rain Date: May 4<sup>th</sup>)

The HOA will advertise the Community Garage Sale in local newspapers, on our website and on Craig's List. If you plan to participate, please let us know via the website or at micatsky@gmail.com so that we can include your address on our website page and on Craig's List. If you have something special to sell, please add the description so we can include it.

**CATALINA ISLES/ SKYLARK ESTATES HOA  
2018 FINANCIAL REPORT**

**01/01/2018 BEGINNING BALANCE** **\$ 5,775.56**

<b>DEPOSITS:</b>	Collected from HOA Dues	\$ 3,158.56
	Collected from Holiday Party	<u>476.73</u>
	<b>TOTAL COLLECTED IN 2018</b>	<b>+ \$ 3,635.29</b>

<b>EXPENSES:</b>	Newsletters	\$ 571.88
	Website Design & Maintenance	523.75
	Legal & Other Financial Expenses	286.25
	P. O. Box	76.00
	General Meetings (Speakers & Food)	381.22
	Garage Sale (Adv & Signs)	147.82
	Entrance Wall	170.34
	Welcome packets & Office Expense	161.04
	Landscape	102.94
	Holiday Party	<u>884.83</u>
	<b>TOTAL 2018 EXPENSES</b>	<b>- \$ 3,306.07</b>

**12/31/2018 ENDING BALANCE** **\$ 6,104.78**

**NEW ENTRANCE SIGNS COMING IN 2019 !!**

We have enough money in our reserve account to purchase new entrance signs as our current ones need replacing. We will be purchasing them from Kendal Signs, a design and fabrication shop in Rockledge.



Background color will be light blue. Lettering will be a darker blue. Image will contain yellow, green, and a lighter blue with accent colors.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR FUTURE HOA MEETINGS IN 2019:**

**DIRECTORS MEETINGS**

Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup>  
 Thursday, July 11<sup>th</sup>  
 Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup>  
 Thursday, November 14<sup>th</sup>

**GENERAL MEETINGS**

Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>  
 Thursday, August 8<sup>th</sup>  
 Monday, October 28<sup>th</sup>  
 December TBD

All residents are welcome and encouraged to attend General Meetings, however only HOA paid members are permitted to attend Director’s Meetings.



According to Brevard County’s MLS, 2018 was a busy year in real estate for Catalina Isles and Skylark Estates as 36 homes were sold. Of these, 12 were waterfront homes that sold between \$296,500 and \$450,000. The remaining 24 homes were not on the water and sold between \$146,000 and \$280,000.

3 homes in our neighborhood are now under contract. 1 is a waterfront listed for \$299,000; the other 2 (not on the water) are listed for \$179,000 and \$189,000.

As of February 1<sup>st</sup>, there are 17 homes in our neighborhood that are listed For Sale. 10 are waterfront homes priced between \$299,900 and \$550,000; and the other 7 homes (not on the water) are priced between \$209,900 and \$290,000.

While homes may vary in size and condition, pricing your home realistically is the key. It does appear that our home values have stabilized and may have dropped slightly throughout the year. Throughout Brevard County the inventory of Residential Homes on the market have increased from about 3600 in January 2018 to 4400 in December 2018. This could be attributed to mortgage rates rising in 2018, as the average mortgage rate reached an 8-year high. Unfortunately, mortgage rates are predicted to go even higher in 2019.

**NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM**

If you observe any criminal or suspicious activity in the neighborhood, please report it first to the Brevard County Sheriff’s Office (non-emergency 321.633.7162) and then to our Neighborhood Watch Program (NWP) by contacting Gary Young at 321.305.5645 or at [floridagman@cfl.rr.com](mailto:floridagman@cfl.rr.com) or by submitting a report on the HOA website.

If you would like more information on the NWP or would like to volunteer as a block captain, contact Gary Young.



**Useful Information**

Garbage Pick-up: Mondays & Thursdays      Recyclable and Yard Clippings Pick-up: Thursdays

Daylight Saving Time Watering Restrictions start: Second Sunday in March until the first Sunday in November.

Time of Year	Odd-numbered homes or no addresses	Even-numbered addresses	Non-residential properties
<b>Daylight Saving Time:</b>	<b>Wednesday / Saturday</b>	<b>Thursday / Sunday</b>	<b>Tuesday / Friday</b>
<b>WATER ONLY WHEN NEEDED AND NOT BETWEEN 10 am AND 4 pm</b>			

## Important Contact Information

Suggestions or concerns can be directed to Officers, Directors, the HOA email address or website.

President	Kathy Matson	813.508.8177	k.matson@hotmail.com
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Secretary	Candace McManus	321.208.7909	candace.mcmanus@gmail.com
Treasurer	Silvia Bryan	321.412.7767	bryansilvia24@aol.com

### Directors:

Jean Gaudreau	321.449.0500	Judy Townsend Briggs	678.521.7631
Dee McKrow	904.599.2061	Gary Young (Neighbor Watch)	321.305.5645
Joyce Young	321.305.5645	Robin Nenarella	603.930.1218
Maria Bonnett			



## Please Pay Your 2019 Annual Dues

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:** 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).

For your convenience, an envelope addressed to our P.O. Box is included with this newsletter.

**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).

Or, 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. Please indicate email address above.

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



Thanks to our business partners for providing the HOA exceptional service:

