



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

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

**Email: [micatsky@gmail.com](mailto:micatsky@gmail.com)**

**Next General Meeting:**  
**Merritt Island Library**

**Monday, October 28, 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 Speakers:** ***Bryan Lober**, District 2 County Commissioner and  
**Larry Lallo**, Executive Director of Merritt Island’s Redevelopment Agency*

*Both agencies are dedicated to creating diverse, strong economic strategies with the needed infrastructure to support quality community growth, as well as protecting the environment and conserving our valuable natural resources.*

Come hear how our government leaders are working to improve the quality of life for Merritt Island residents, its businesses, and its visitors which will benefit Brevard County as a whole.



***Holiday Party - 'Tis the Season to be Thankful***



Based on positive feedback from those that attended last year, we are planning to have our **2019 Annual Holiday Party on Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>** at the Brevard Veteran’s Memorial Center, from 6:00 to 8:30 pm. There will be live music, a 50/50 raffle and fabulous door prizes!

***Space is limited*** - Please RSVP by November 25<sup>th</sup>. To help cover expenses, we are asking for a nominal fee as follows:

**HOA members: \$5.00 per person**

**Non-members: \$15.00 per person**

The HOA will be ordering BBQ from Sonny’s and we are asking each family to bring either a side dish or appetizer to share. The HOA Board of Directors will be furnishing desserts. Beer and wine will be available for purchase.

*Please feel free to RSVP and pay on-line using either PayPal or a credit card via our website at **[www.catalinaskylark.com](http://www.catalinaskylark.com)**, pay at the General Meeting or complete the following form and mail to:  
Catalina Isles/Skylark Estates HOA, P.O. Box 540401, Merritt Island, FL 32954-0401*

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

# OF ATTENDEES: \_\_\_\_\_ AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \_\_\_\_\_

(\$5.00 per person for HOA members; \$15.00 per person for non-members)

***WE HOPE YOU’LL JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS FOR AN EVENING  
OF FUN and HOLIDAY CHEER!***



## LIGHT UP CATALINA ISLES/SKYLARK ESTATES!



Several residents have suggested to the board, we hold a holiday lighting contest for **Catalina Isles/Skylark Estates**. Numerous homes already do an outstanding job every year so we are pleased to announce we will have our first annual **Holiday Lighting Contest**.

### Details are as follows:

- When: All entries will be judged between December 6 - 13.
- How do I enter: By simply emailing a nomination to dmckrow@gmail.com or micatsky@gmail.com for yourself or a neighbor by December 5.
- What do I win: Bragging rights and neighborhood recognition!
- Winners will be announced at the 2019 Holiday Party on December 15.

Volunteers are needed to join the judges, contact Dee McKrow at 904-891-5463 or email her at dmckrow@gmail.com.

## YOUR HOA – AND YOUR NEIGHBORS -APPRECIATE ALL YOUR HARD WORK!

We have so many homes that are being improved or maintained by caring residents and we want to recognize your efforts. We are pleased to announce the winners this quarter that will proudly display a sign in their yard to indicate their home has been recognized are:

- **420 Sundoro Court**
- **260 Jacala Drive** *CONGRATULATIONS!*
- **1165 Mai Kai Drive**

Residents can nominate their neighbors via an email to the Chair of this committee, Louise Parker. Her email address is: loulou4bell@yahoo.com. Or, you can email your nominations to micatsky@gmail.com. The committee will then review all entries and award 3 homes on a quarterly basis.



*Catalina Isles / Skylark Estates is a wonderful place to live and the more we can encourage and engage our neighbors in the importance of maintaining and updating our properties, the more valuable our area becomes.*

**UPCOMING LOCAL EVENTS:**

**Merritt Island Holiday Parade: Sat. December 7th 9:30 am until approximately 12:30 pm**  
*The Brevard County Sheriff's Office will close Courtenay Parkway (SR3) from Grove Boulevard to Merritt Avenue and Merritt Avenue east to Plumosa Avenue*

**Merritt Island Boat Parade: Sat. December 7th** Starts at Sykes Creek Parkway Bridge at 6:30 pm



**REAL ESTATE IN CATALINA ISLES/SKYLARK ESTATES**

Wondering how the real estate market is doing in our neighborhood? The good news - interest rates for buying a home (or refinancing) is the lowest it has been in over 3 years; and may drop further by the end of the year. The bad news - insurance for a buyer can be difficult to obtain if the home still has aluminum wiring, an older roof, and possibly cast-iron pipes. Many of the buyers these days want a home that is completely move in ready with all the most current upgrades.

Currently there are 5 homes for sale in our neighborhood that are listed in the local MLS. The first is not a waterfront home and it is listed for \$269,900. The other 4 are waterfront homes that are listed between \$349,000 and \$614,900. A total of 25 homes have sold so far this year. Of these, 12 were not waterfront homes, and sold between \$155,000 and \$278,000. The days on market for these 12 were between 2 and 263 days. The remaining 13 were waterfront homes that sold between \$220,000 and \$435,000. The days on market for these 13 ranged between 13 and 381 days. Please keep in mind that prices and days on market will vary based on condition, location, living sq./ft., if there is a pool, and the size of the garage. While homes may vary in size and condition, pricing your home realistically is the key. It does appear that according to statistics provided by Florida Realtors, our home values have dropped slightly throughout the year, and there is less inventory available.

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**MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR FUTURE HOA MEETINGS IN 2020:**

**DIRECTORS MEETINGS**

Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup>  
Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Monday, September 28<sup>th</sup>

**GENERAL MEETINGS**

Thursday, January 30<sup>th</sup>  
Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup>  
Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup>  
Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup>

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

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**Important Contact Information**

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

President	Kathy Matson	813.508.8177	President@catalinaskylark.com
Vice President	Christine McDonough	321.794.3310	VicePresident@catalinaskylark.com
Secretary	Trish Heyburn	321.305.5848	Secretary@catalinaskylark.com
Treasurer	Silvia Bryan	321.412.7767	Treasurer@catalinaskylark.com

**Directors:**

Jean Gaudreau	321.449.0500	Judy Townsend Briggs	678.521.7631
Dee McKrow	904.891.5463	Gary Young (Neighbor Watch)	321.305.5645
Joyce Young	321.305.5645	Robin Nenarella	603.930.1218
Candace McManus	321.208.7909	Paul Alessi	321.305.5848
Bill & Louise Parker	321.452.5116	Maria Bonnett	

**Useful Information: Watering Restrictions**

Time of Year	Odd-numbered homes or no addresses	Even-numbered addresses	Non-residential properties
<b>Daylight Savings Time- March to Nov 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Wednesday / Saturday</b>	<b>Thursday / Sunday</b>	<b>Tuesday / Friday</b>
<b>Nov 3<sup>rd</sup> to March</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>

**WATER ONLY WHEN NEEDED AND NOT BETWEEN 10 am AND 4 pm**

GARBAGE PICK-UP: Mondays & Thursdays  
RECYCLABLE AND YARD CLIPPINGS PICK-UP: Thursdays



**Please Pay Your 2019 Annual Dues**

Dues are used to maintain the HOA, replace or repair our Entrance Signs, 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).

***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

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

