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Information for and About Our Community

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Meet Your Board Member:

Gus Quattrone Lessa

Gus is a seasoned executive with a proven record of revitalizing businesses, bringing over three decades of leadership in operations, real estate, hospitality, and strategic planning. His extensive experience includes roles such as Director of Operations in mining, General Manager of multiple successful restaurant ventures, and CEO/President roles overseeing multinational operations. Gus excels in guiding organizations through substantial change management, developing strategic plans, and optimizing team performance across diverse industries and geographies. With expertise in financial planning, organizational development, and fostering innovation, he consistently drives profitability and sustainable growth, making him a valuable asset to any HOA board.

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Coming Attractions in 2025

2025 is shaping up to be an exciting and busy year with two major projects beginning (and hopefully completing).

Road Resurfacing

It's been close to 20 years since the roads in our community have been repaved. Our roads need fixing. There are many cracks, low spots where water gathers and oil stains. This project will require a lot of patience on the part of all HOA residents. We're looking for volunteers to help with the coordination and communications with residents. It is still to be determined if speed-humps will be installed because the county has changed their laws. We're investigating the installation of stop signs at all intersections to provide greater safety.

House Painting

It's been quite a while since the houses have been painted. All our houses are starting to look a bit dingy. This is a project that will require each resident to do their part. At the time of painting, all decorations on the outside of your house will need to be removed. Each house will require an inspection by the painters to determine what areas need repair (rotting wood, etc.). These areas will need to be repaired prior to painting. Volunteers are needed to join the painting committee to help decide the color schemes, evaluation of potential vendors, communications with residents and coordination once the project is started.

If you're interested in joining either of these volunteering opportunities, please contact a board member.

We Are Still working On Our Parking!

Use the [Temporary Parking passes](#) and put them on your dashboard. Find them on our website — print them and use them.

Please No Parking on the Grass!



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**TEMPORARY
PARKING**

This vehicle, license # _____ is currently parked
Homeowner Address & Contact Number and Date:

Parking will be honored until _____
Please Honor all Sierra Del Mar 72 Hour Max Parking Rules.

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**TEMPORARY
VISITOR'S PARKING**

This vehicle, license # _____ is currently a visitor of
Address & Contact Number and Date:

Visitor's parking will be honored until _____
Please Honor all Sierra Del Mar 72 Hour Max Parking Rules.
ENJOY YOUR VISIT!

December is parking on EVEN side of the street!
January is parking on ODD side of the street!

Get On The List!

Starts January 1, 2025

Now is the time to give them a call... service starts Jan 2025. We have expanded Iguana Control Service to help residents. It is simple. Call toll free **855-525-5656**.



They will reach back out to you. This program is intended for homeowners who see iguana(s) on a regular basis.

Did You Know?

New Self-Serve Amazon Returns

I recently visited the UPS store at the Southwest corner of Palmetto Park and Powerline in order to make one of my seemingly weekly Amazon returns. As usual, I stood in line and waited my turn to be helped. Much to my surprise, I was introduced to the new self-serve kiosk! Now, I don't have to wait in line to merely drop off my items. At the kiosk, one needs to do the following:

- Scan your return QR code
- Print out your label
- Package your item (clear bags are provided)
- Attach your label
- Drop it off

WhatsApp Group

For those who use WhatsApp, there is a neighborhood resource. The "Unofficial Sierra Del Mar" group is a great resource for quick communication of a neighborly manner. Occasional HOA notices, offers of items for sale or free, traffic alerts, and other messages can be posted there. Feel free to join at <https://chat.whatsapp.com/DsgrmXMnZYODrv6MmueUf5>

Home Maintenance Tips

Now that winter is here, most of us will not be running our air conditioning systems. Winterizing the A/C system will help extend its lifespan, improve efficiency, and prevent costly repairs when the heat returns. Although filters should be changed regularly, now is the perfect time to replace old, dirty filters. It might be appropriate to switch off the A/C, as well. Making sure the outside units are free from debris can be as simple as hosing them off. Regular A/C maintenance, including checking refrigerant levels and flushing condensate drain lines, is essential for the long-term health of your cooling system.

Leslie Landscaping Has Planted

Some of our residents have taken advantage of the beautiful planting of their annuals - provided at no charge for labor by Leslie Landscaping. If you missed out this year - be sure to get this service if you like next year!



Anyone Say Pests!

Living in Boca Raton, we see our share of pests like ants and iguanas during the summer. Unfortunately, we have our share of winter pests, as well. Ants, silverfish and cockroaches prefer the warmth and resources our homes provide, as opposed to staying outside where the temperatures have dropped. Rodents are also a significant problem in South Florida during the winter. In particular, house mice and roof rats look for nice warm places to make nests and breed this time of year. Although subtle, the temperature changes have arrived, and pests could be seeking shelter. Contact a pest control professional at the first indication of insects and rodents attempting to winter in your home.

Raccoons are generally not a threat to people and are *usually* easily scared off. Raccoons are mostly active during the evening hours; however, it is not uncommon or unusual to see one foraging during the day. Midday is often the quietest time in suburban areas when people are at work and school. Seeing a raccoon out during the day does not indicate that it is dangerous or rabid. Raccoons can also benefit the ecosystem by providing natural, effortless pest control for small reptiles and insects, benefit the growth of wild plant populations by dispersing their seeds through their diet, and aid in the removal of carrion from ecosystems.

Sierra Del Mar wishes everyone Happy Holidays!

If you need a key for any of our gates or the pool please contact Stuart Braun at stuart4u2@gmail.com

CONGRATULATIONS!!...To the Rosenberger family on the birth of their baby boy!
If you have a celebration you want to announce let us know!

If you have an idea or wish to contribute something to include in the next edition of the Sierra Del Mar Newsletter please contact any member of the Board through our Website SierraDelMarBoca.org