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ODED'S WEEKLY REPORT

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<u>POOL CLOSURE</u> – Please note that the pool will be closed starting Monday, June 17th, for about 3 to 5 days. As recently reported, a few black algae spots were noted around the pool. While these algae are NOT dangerous or harmful, the Pool Committee suggested, and the Board of Directors approved, addressing this unsightly condition while the weather is less favorable for those who wish to enjoy the pool.

Also as reported, many reasons may cause black algae to grow in a pool. It can be the result of leaves, an issue with the filter system, animals who swim in the pool, unwashed bathing suits, etc. However, it all drills down to improper levels of chlorine over an extended period. Yes, the Association made sure to hold its pool maintenance company, i.e., PoolWerx, accountable. However, and in all fairness, at times it is easier said than done. This is especially true considering black algae is a more chlorine-resistant algae.

Back to the pool closure. The pool will be closed at 8 am on Monday for a few days to allow PoolWerx to pressure treat the areas where algae are present and thereafter "shock" the pool with high doses of chlorine, which is also known as superchlorination, to sanitize the impacted areas. Because the pool is going to have high levels of chlorine, it must remain closed. Only after the treatment is completed and only after PoolWerx ensures the water chemical levels are proper, then we can open the pool. While PoolWerx aims at reopening the pool on Thursday, they can't guarantee it mainly because of several uncontrollable variables such as weather. Nevertheless, we will make sure to keep you updated on the progress made in this project.

We wish to apologize in advance for this temporary inconvenience and appreciate your understanding and cooperation on this matter.

<u>POOL RULES</u> – On a related matter, a couple of minor incidents took place this past week in the pool. The first involved the usage of a load speaker. The second incident involved guests who were drinking near the pool. The third and final incident involved children who were jumping into the pool and using the swimming lanes. It should go without saying, but the above incidents are in violation of the rules governing the usage of the Association's pool and spa. If you look at the Pool Rules, which are posted inside the fenced pool area and on the Association's website and portal, you will notice that:

- No food or beverages allowed within 4 ft. of pool or on pool wet deck.
- No glass or animals in the fenced pool area.
- NO DIVING / NO RUNNING / NO JUMPING
- Minors (under the age 16) must be accompanied by a responsible adult.
- Alcohol is prohibited within the fenced area of the pool.
- People who are using the lap lanes have the right of way.
- Excessive noise should be avoided.

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Therefore, please assist us in keeping LakeRidge Falls' pool and spa one of the best amenities in this area by following these rules while ensuring your guests and invitees are also 100% aware of them. Let's keep the Association pool as an enjoyable feature for all. Thank you so much for your understanding and cooperation on this matter.

<u>LANDSCAPE</u> – This was a blessed week that brought the well-needed rains, which filled the Association's ponds. However, it also caused some delays in the landscape operations. For this reason, BrightView Landscape, the Association's landscape maintenance company, was unable to mow the grounds this past week. While mowing should resume on Monday, the tall and wet grass creates a challenging condition. This is mainly because it can strain mowers and edgers, i.e., clippings and mud that clog the machines, produce excessive clippings, spread mud, and potentially lead to ruts in unnoticeable wet areas. Nevertheless, BrightView Landscape advised they are ready for the challenge.

It is also not a secret that pruning is a little behind at the moment, which is pretty evident in the Sandstone Neighborhood. There are two main reasons for the setback: weather conditions and the new pruning crew. As explained before, the rainy days delay scheduled work. After all, no one expects the pruning crew to work during heavy rains and lightning. Regarding the crew, the pruning crew is new to the community. As all can understand, a new position takes time to learn. Therefore, it may take the new crew a few more weeks to get into the expected rhythm or pace. As before, we wish to thank all residents of the community for their understanding during these small setbacks.

<u>DUCKS</u> – One of the best reasons for living in LakeRidge Falls is its wildlife, which at times provides many escapist moments for the Association's residents. Thanks to Mrs. Melinda Hassett, a member of the community, all can enjoy one of these moments. Below is a picture and a video of a mommy duck taking her ducklings for a swimming lesson.





As always, have a healthy and safe weekend. Sincerely,

Oded Neeman - LakeRidge Falls Community Manager