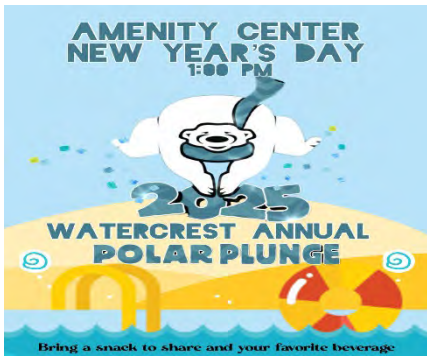




FEBRUARY 2025 NEWSLETTER

Despite adverse weather conditions involving extreme sunshine, warm temperatures and 84-degree waters, the Watercrest bears persevered, and participated enthusiastically in our **Annual Polar Plunge** on New Year's Day.



Photos by Diane Sale and Activities Committee Co-Chair Joyce Cannone

Landscape Committee Updates:

New Shrub trimming standard: Commencing in January and February, ArtisTree will start trimming shrubs on the sides of the homes to the new CWS standard, which is **not to exceed 4 feet in height and 3 feet in depth**. Shrubs around lanais will be allowed to be maintained up to 5 feet. The new standards were put in place to allow more light into the areas between homes, in order to assist the turf in growing and to help maintain the drainage easement of approximately 2.5 ft on either side of the property line.

The trimming of the palm trees by Greentopps is waiting to be scheduled by the vendor. Following that, hardwoods on Nearpoint and Haze will be trimmed. Hardwoods on other streets will be addressed in subsequent years. Owners on the May 2024 list for sod will receive it soon. All landscape work orders should be submitted directly with ArtisTree (www.artistree.com).

Routine compliance checks: With the revision of the Community Wide Standards completed in June of 2024, the property manager is now performing routine compliance checks in order to ensure that members are following the Watercrest Declaration of Restrictions and the Community Wide Standards. The Declaration of Restrictions and Community Wide Standards can be found on www.mywatercrest.com. Please familiarize yourself with these documents. Members who are not in compliance will receive letters identifying the issue and asking for correction. Failure to correct non-compliance issues may result in fines.

Our **Watercrest Community Garage Sale** was a great success, with many items finding new homes.



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Update on Entry/Exit Gates:

A new hydraulic gate closer for the **pool entrance gate** has been installed. Folks entering/exiting the pool gate are urged to ensure it's closed, especially if no one else is around, particularly for the safety of children.

Users of the **pedestrian gates** are reminded that you need to press "C" before entering the code. Please do not yank or aggressively pull the handle. The locks are extremely expensive to replace.

Residents with homes for sale: If your realtor is having an open house, please notify John De Young or Pat Dyer, so we can arrange to have the gates open. Kindly note that all **open house showings are on weekends only.**

HOA Director Certification Course



On January 15, Board Members (left to right) Mark Bedard, Bill Isenstein, Mike Sale and Pat Dyer completed the HOA Director Certification Course.

Upcoming Activities in February:

Join us at the Amenity Center on **February 9** for the **Watercrest Superbowl LIX Watch Party** from 6:00 – 9:30 p.m. Bring a snack to share and your preferred beverage in a non-breakable container.

Then on **February 14**, Watercrest will have a **Valentine's Day Celebration** from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. at the Amenity Center. Again, bring a snack and your own beverage.

Board and Committee Meetings in February:

The Watercrest **Board of Directors meeting** will be held on **February 13** at 6:00 p.m. at the Jacaranda Library and on Zoom.

The **Architectural Review Committee (ARC)** will hold its next two meetings at 10:30 a.m. in the Guardhouse and on Zoom on **February 6 and 20.**