

Welcome to the Rotonda's monthly email newsletter where you can find information regarding recent and upcoming events, maintenance updates, and much more!

### RCUOA ANNUAL MEETING & BOARD ELECTIONS TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5TH @ 7PM



Mark your calendars for Tuesday, December 5th, at 7:00 PM for this year's Annual Owner's Meeting. This gathering is a crucial moment in our condominium's yearly calendar, and we encourage all residents to attend, either in-person in the Community Center or virtually via Zoom. <u>Click here for the Zoom Webinar Link</u> Webinar ID: 824 4689 9187 (No passcode required)

This year, the election will be for three Director's seats, and the elected individuals will each serve a three-year term, helping guide our community's future. Your vote matters, and it's your chance to have a say in who represents your interests. A Nomination Petition for Candidates has been distributed to all unit owners, and the dead-line to submit your nominations is November 5th. Nomination documents must be sent via email to secretary@rotonda.org or dropped off at the front desk in the Community Center no later than 11:59 PM on Sunday, November 5th, 2023 (if sent via email, please include the subject line: Attention: 2023 Nominating Petition).

# PICKLEBALL INTRO EVENT RECAP

The Oct 21st Pickleball event was a great success. More than 30 residents attended. After an introduction to the game by a professional instructor, some of the people who attended played for an hour more than originally planned. Seventeen residents established an email distribution list to find playing partners. Everyone was reminded that PR 13's Tennis Court regulations also apply to pickleball play and court use.

### **KEEPING ROTONDA BEAUTIFUL** & ENSURING SAFETY FOR CHILDREN



The Landscape Committee; McFall and Berry, which is our landscape contractor; and the Rotonda staff all do a great job of keeping the Rotonda beautiful. The plants, shrubs, and trees make the Rotonda a very pleasant place to call home. The annual investment to keep the Rotonda looking beautiful is substantial, but unfortunately it sometimes frustrated by bad weather striking down trees and damaging plants and shrubs.

Unfortunately, other damage is sometimes caused by our residents. For example, during the recent ice cream social event and near the school bus stops, children are seen climbing on and swinging from small trees. Besides being a danger to the children, the branches of small trees are being damaged because it cannot support the weight. Our trees are expensive to repair or replace. Also, carving into or removing tree bark can cause serious damage to trees, as we saw in an incident earlier this year.

Based on a proposal made several years ago by the Children Activities Committee, in September 2023, the Board approved additional new children's playground equipment in the play area behind Building IV. The new equipment is safe for climbing, is keyed to children from two to seven years of age and meets all current safety standards. Additionally, the designated play areas behind Building IV and V are safe from traffic and give the burgeoning numbers of our younger residents safe space to meet and play. Please help in keeping the Rotonda beautiful by preventing any climbing on or damage to our community's trees.

### Other reminders for safety on the property:

- Please follow the arrows when going around the traffic circle; you must go counter-clockwise around the circles.

- Adhere to the 15 mph speed limit when driving anywhere within the Rotonda property. - Wear bright clothing and if possible, reflective gear when walking around the property at night.



## **MEET THE MANAGER SERIES**

The first 'Meet the General Manager' series, held on October 25th in the lobby of Building 3, was a great success. Various residents stopped by to meet General Manager and ask questions and enjoy refreshments with their neighbors. We hope to see you at the next session, on November 15th in the Lobby of Building 2.







### HALLOWEEN ACTIVITIES RECAP



The Halloween events were a huge success among the Rotonda community. The kids unleashed their creativity at the Teen Hangout to transform ordinary pumpkins into spooktacular works of art. Then at the Halloween Desert Party and Spooky Bingo event co-hosted by the Welcoming & Social Committee and the Children's Activities Committee brought residents together to enjoy refreshments, games, music, and prizes from the pumpkin-decorating contest. There was an incredible turnout at all of these events. Thank you to our wonderful Committees for all their hard work.

### FAIRFAX POLICE SAFETY REMINDERS



### **PROVIDENCE DISTRICT FOOD DRIVE**



This year, we are participating in the Fairfax County Providence District Food Drive. The collected items will benefit the Falls Church HS Pantry, the Oakton HS Pantry, the Woodson HS Pantry, and the The Lamb Center. Click here to learn more.

Donation boxes have been set up in the Community Center near the Front Desk. Refer to the flyer above for a list of items they are requesting. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



### **VIRGINIA GENERAL ELECTION**

As a reminder, the Rotonda is a polling location for the November 7th Virginial General Election. Therefore, the upper level of the Community Center will be closed all day on Tuesday, November 7th. The lower level amenities will be open and accessible through the lower level entrances.

# PLEASE FLATTEN ALL BOXES BEFORE TAKING TO TRASH ROOM



Please help to reduce clutter in the trash rooms by flattening all boxes before dumping them in the recycling bins. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated by all residents and staff.



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