

TANGERINE WOODS OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.
Englewood, Florida

Being your president during this time has been extremely stressful and you might only imagine how the rest of the board feels when considering the decisions that have been made.

The Tangerine Woods Board of Directors can hold their heads up high in making and holding fast with those decisions despite opposition from the few who feel we might be moving too slowly.

It is impossible to please everyone but our goal since we learned of the dangers associated with Covid-19 have been to safeguard and protect the Tangerine Woods community. Believe me when I say I live and breathe this stressful situation every waking hour. Many the night I awaken from sound sleep thinking of ways we can reopen other venues but always cognizant we must err on the side of caution and acting only when new details become available. Just as we are doing right now.

New information was made available yesterday, Thursday, May 21, from the CDC that determined the possibility of contracting Covid-19 from a surface is very limited. The day was spent verifying that information from additional sources in an effort to confirm the latest reports and found scientists and researchers from all over the world reached similar conclusions.

This being the case, the board feels we can reopen the clubhouse and lanai with a limited schedule. The library, card, ceramics and pool table rooms are to remain closed for the time being.

The club house will reopen for exercise group 8:15 a.m. through 10:15 a.m. beginning Tuesday, May 26th. When entering the clubhouse you must wear a mask.

Exercise group will meet in the great room maintaining *ten* foot social distancing if participants choose not to wear a mask while exercising. The ten foot social distancing is restricted based on heavy breathing while exercising.

Visitors and residents returning from overnight stays outside TW must register with the office and self-quarantine fourteen days. On another front, I have good news and I have bad news. First, the good news. We now have signs placed around the community advising guests they must register in person with the office. The bad news is, the signs are ugly!! But bear with me as they are serving the purpose of trying to keep track of visitors and their using facilities until self-quarantined fourteen days. Remember, all residents must carry photo identification to use our facilities. A color photocopy of your driver license is good.

There is also more good news. The long-awaited bingo machine ordered five months ago is scheduled to be shipped within the next week or two!!

The homeless are back!! It seems Sarasota County has no place for these people and is now refusing to relocate or deal with the situation. We are trying a different approach to the matter.

Stay tuned for future updates.

KEN KEYES
May 22, 2020