#### San Remo Shores Association

# Newsletter



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#### **Member Meeting**

Please join us for our second member meeting of 2025 which will be held at the American Legion with an option dinner.

WEDNESDAY, 6:30PM NOVEMBER 12, 2025

#### Adopt-a-Road Cleanup

Join some of your fellow neighbors as we Keep Manatee Beautiful and pickup litter along Cortez Road. Meet at Clam parking lot by our entrance sign.

SATURDAY, 7:30AM-10AM DECEMBER 6, 2025

#### **Community Yard Sale**

Mark your calendar right now and plan on participating in the 2026 Community Yard Sale! Unload those attics & make some dough!

SATURDAY, 8AM-1PM MARCH 7, 2026

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# **Living in Paradise**

Welcome to the November 2025 edition of the San Remo Shores Association newsletter.

The purpose of this newsletter is to update all current members of the Association on neighborhood events & activities, as well as community news that matters to you.

The San Remo Shores Association needs your participation & support. Please contribute in whatever way you can for the betterment of our neighborhood.

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#### We're on Facebook!

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## Letter from the President



Jeremy Williams, President hoapresident@sanremoshores.org

Welcome, neighbors! It's been wonderful to see so many residents getting involved and taking pride in our community over the past year. Your participation—whether through volunteering, attending events, or simply lending a friendly wave—helps make San Remo Shores such a special place to be. Thank you for your continued support as we keep improving our neighborhood together.

In the shadows of the devastating hurricanes of 2024, a renewed light of hope illuminated San Remo Shores and our broader community. Time and again, I witnessed inspiring acts of kindness and compassion as neighbors reached out to help one another. In the aftermath of the storm, people who had lived just a few houses apart — yet had never met — finally connected. Even in the darkest moments, our community shone brightly, rising above hardship to be the light for one another. Let's carry that spirit forward and keep our San Remo Shores family strong and united!

Please take a moment to read through this newsletter, and as you can throughout the year please support our generous corporate sponsors found throughout.

# **Member Meeting & Dinner Event**

Dinner: **6:00 PM**Meeting: **6:30 PM** 

Wednesday, November 12, 2025

@ American Legion on 75th

#### Dinner (Optional):

• Cost: \$10 per person

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- Payment Options:
  - · Cash/Check at door, or Zelle
  - Zelle to <u>hoatreasurer@sanremoshores.**org**</u>
- Meal: Hotdogs, Chili, Cheese, etc & Potato Salad

#### **Dinner RSVP Request**

Email: <u>rsvp@sanremoshores.org</u> Please include:

- · Your full name
- Number of people in your party



Note: All members are encouraged to attend the meeting portion regardless of dinner participation.





Join the 50/50 Raffle



# Treasurer's Report



Charlotte Stertzer, Treasurer hoatreasurer@sanremoshores.org

Our SRS neighbors have supported the work of the Association through the payment of annual dues. This year we added Zelle as a form of dues payment and it has worked out great! Year to date, 76% of homeowners have paid their \$100 (or more) for 2025 annual dues. If your 2025 dues are still outstanding, it's not too late to give your support. Please send your check to the San Remo Shores Association, 7466 Cortez Road West, P.O Box 224, Bradenton, FL 34210-2444 or pay directly by Zelle (sent to hoatreasurer@sanremoshores.org).

#### **Membership Facts**

Membership is strong, but it could be stronger! We encourage all homeowners to participate in the Association every year.

76% 2025 Participation

As anticipated, the recent entryway improvements have depleted our cash reserves. The current bank balance is \$3,079.37. All bills are paid to date. (Note: We do anticipate a \$10,000 grant check from the county before the end of the year, as well as other planned expenses)

If paying for next year in advance, please note, dues for 2026 have been set at \$120/year.

Financial reports are available <u>upon request</u>. Thank you for your support of the SRS Association.

#### Your Membership Matters!

The San Remo Shores
Association is a homeowner's
association (HOA) which
maintains common areas and
amenities, collects dues for
shared expenses, and regularly
organizes social clubs and
activities to foster a sense of
community among residents.
Your membership matters,
from your donations to your
involvement as a volunteer.

#### **Basic Membership**

The <u>standard contribution</u> to join the association and is recommended to all residents who own property in San Remo Shores.

\$120/yr

# Platinum Membership

The ideal contribution for those residents who can afford to do so and are looking to go above and beyond for our community with a larger donation.

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Printable Membership Form Attached to Back of Newsletter

Questions? Special Requests? Email us!

hoamembership@sanremoshores.org



# **Traffic Light Project**

As you have seen, work has begun on the traffic light at the entrance of the neighborhood. Per the contract with the county, the contractors have 18 months to complete the work (as this project is bundled with half-dozen other projects).

While we hope the project does not last until the end of 2026, we must all be extra mindful and cautious when exiting the neighborhood until it is completed. As traffic patterns change slightly, and curbs are built, please exercise extreme caution. Your safety is important to us!

NOTE: Representatives from the contractor installing the light will be attending our November Member meeting. Please plan to attend to ask questions and learn more!



#### In the news locally ...

- CORTEZ BRIDGE REPLACEMENT The Cortez
  Bridge replacement project, estimated to cost
  \$77 million, has begun with impacts of the
  first phase requiring road closures. Full
  construction of the bridge will begin mid2026. More information available here:
  www.swflroads.com/project/430204-2
- CORTEZ & 75<sup>TH</sup> ROUNDABOUT A new roundabout is being built at the intersection of Cortez Rd and 75<sup>th</sup> ST W. Though no full closures planned, expect delays during construction.
- DRIFT-IN AMI CELEBRATES 100 YEARS The islands first bar and package store celebrated it's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary on October 11, 2025. A lot has changed on the island in that time, but "The Drift" stands strong after major improvements after the hurricane damage suffered in 2024.



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# **Entrance Landscaping Improvements**



Aubrey Brown, Landscaping Director hoalandscaping@sanremoshores.org

2024's storms really dealt a sucker punch to our entrance landscaping. After the hard work, expense, and patience put into reviving it in 2023/24, saltwater intrusion and high winds wiped out much of the progress. Fortunately, the county approved another \$10K matching grant for restoration and improvement — which we jumped on right away! Special thanks to **Anthony Tevere** for masterfully coordinating the grant process.

After some waiting on approvals, work finally began in Q3 2025. We selected a new landscaper for the project and are thrilled with the results — and hope you are too!











# Fun at the Spring Fling 2025!



## Lynda Einspar, Event Coordinator

Our Spring Fling, held on March 29, 2025, at the Cortez Road Baptist Church, was a wonderful success! The venue provided ample tables, chairs, bathrooms, and plenty of parking—making it a comfortable and convenient setting for all attendees.

A big thank-you goes out to **Deb Litz** and **Cheryl Ann Grossi** for organizing the prizes, cupcakes, and water, as well as to **Jary Shay** and **Joan Johnson** for cheerfully managing the welcome table. **James**, **Amy**, and **Tide Anderson** deserve special recognition for their tireless work planning and running games for both kids and adults. The prizes were especially popular—some of them featuring an "adults-only" twist!

We were also treated to live music from **Brook Hargrove**, adding a fun and festive atmosphere throughout the afternoon. **Pig Out** on Manatee Ave catered the event, serving up delicious food for everyone to enjoy. The Spring Fling was offered free of charge to all dues-paying residents, and we were pleased to collect a few additional dues at the event.

Approximately **80 residents** attended, and even after a \$100 donation to the church, the total cost of this year's event came in below previous years when the gathering was held within the neighborhood. The weather threatened rain throughout the day but held off until nearly the end, when a quick storm sent us scrambling to clean up and seek shelter.

A heartfelt thanks to all the residents who helped with setup and cleanup—your teamwork made the event smooth and enjoyable for everyone. See you at the next one in 2027!





# **Membership Matters**



Deb Litz, Director of Membership hoamembership@sanremoshores.org

A heartfelt **thank-you** to all our participating members who help keep the San Remo Shores Association active and thriving! Your annual contributions and volunteer efforts make possible the neighborhood events, beautification projects, and communication channels that bring our community together. Each of you play a vital role in preserving the charm and spirit of San Remo Shores, and your involvement truly makes a difference.

For those who haven't yet joined, we invite you to become part of **OUR** Association. Membership is voluntary but essential to maintaining the activities and improvements that benefit everyone in the neighborhood. With just a small annual contribution and a bit of community spirit, you can help ensure San Remo Shores continues to be a beautiful and connected place to live. Visit sanremoshores.org to join today - or reach out to me directly!



# Are you new to the neighborhood?

- LET US KNOW While we try to keep track of real estate transactions, it's not always a perfect science.
   So please reach out to us simply by sending an email introduction to
   hoamembership@sanremoshores.org and we'll ensure you're in the communication loop moving forward.
- COME TO AN ASSOCIATION MEETING Twice a year we have member meetings hosted by the homeowners Association. It's a great opportunity to get updated on neighborhood news and meet other neighbors.
- JOIN A CLUB OR COMMITTEE Our Association is 100% volunteer-based, and we are always seeking more involvement to help build a tighter community.
- **SOCIALIZE AT OUR SPRING FLING** Every other year we host a big social event with music, food, games, and prizes. It's a casual environment where you can meet others in and around San Remo Shores.

# Are you moving out of the neighborhood?

• **LET US KNOW** - Please send us an email at <u>hoamembership@sanremoshores.org</u> letting us know you are relocating and future plans for your residence. If you have contact information for the new owners, if you are able to share that it would be appreciated as well.



# Rentals Reality: Finding the Right Balance

Short-term rentals through platforms like Airbnb and VRBO are becoming more common in many coastal communities, including San Remo Shores. While they can bring benefits to homeowners and visitors alike, they also invite thoughtful discussion about how to preserve the peaceful, neighborly atmosphere we all value. Your Association volunteers often field questions about rentals, and address homeowners where issues arise.

For some homeowners, offering their house as a short-term rental provides a practical way to offset costs or make use of an otherwise vacant property. Visitors staying in our neighborhood also help support local businesses—from restaurants and charter captains to marinas and beach rentals—adding to the area's vitality and charm.

At the same time, frequent guest turnover can affect the sense of familiarity that makes San Remo Shores special. Extra cars, excessive noise after-hours, and inconsiderate guests can disrupt the quiet rhythm of our streets and canals. Maintaining clear communication, respecting local regulations, and being considerate of neighbors can go a long way toward avoiding these issues.

As a community, our focus should be on **harmony**—welcoming visitors who appreciate our unique neighborhood while ensuring that San Remo Shores continues to feel like home for those who live here year-round. Open conversations, mutual respect, and shared awareness can help us strike the right balance.



Monday - Saturday 7:30 AM - 6:00 PM Sunday 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM



# **Keep Manatee Beautiful**

On Saturday, July 26, 2025 the residents of San Remo Shores joined together and performed a roadside cleanup along Cortez Road between our entrance and headed West to the Parrot Cove entrance.

Nearly a dozen volunteers showed up to pickup trash and debris in an effort to keep our community clean and looking it's best.

In 2025, San Remo Shores Association officially adopted this section of road and we will be planning future cleanups regularly throughout the year. Join us for the next one on SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6 from 7AM-10AM.







# Mandatory HOA & Bylaws?

The San Remo Shores Association is a voluntary group of homeowners who choose to participate through small annual contributions and occasional volunteer efforts. The Association's original bylaws, established in the 1960s, are no longer enforceable due to a lapse in registration and oversight many, many years ago.

Recently, there has been renewed interest by some residents in re-establishing formal bylaws and re-empowering the Association. While opinions will naturally vary, it is reasonable to explore the idea.

We are seeking multiple volunteers to form a committee to evaluate this possibility, fairly assess the interest and laws, and recommend a path forward as appropriate. To volunteer please reach out to <a href="mailto:hoapresident@sanremoshores.org">hoapresident@sanremoshores.org</a>







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### Women's Club



Joanne Tevere, Women's Club Co-President womensclub@sanremoshores.org



Cheryl Grossi, Women's Club Co-President womensclub@sanremoshores.org

Women's Club Membership Only \$20/yr

Last May, the Sisters of San Remo or Women's Club, whichever you prefer, hosted a Meet and Greet, Hello and Farewell event at the Tevere's house. About 30 people attended, old and young, new residents and long-time neighbors, boys and girls, men and women, ladies and gentlemen, whichever nomenclature you prefer. Attendees brought appetizers and desserts. Sandwiches and wraps were provided by Publix. Beer, wine and the hard stuff was available.

No matter how you want to say it, events like this really bring the community together. It's hard to gather owners, renters, working people and retirees, all with their own schedules, but its worth the effort so that we can not only get to know each other, but have the opportunity to discuss neighborhood topics in a casual setting. The social connection and sense of belonging can be a source of support and assistance in times of need, such as we experienced recently.

Hopefully we will put out the effort again next year and all of you will make the effort to attend. This is our piece of paradise, let's come together and build strong relationships.





share & whatever you like to drink.
The fun Yankee gift swap game will
be played (optional).
Bring wrapped gift, no tag worth

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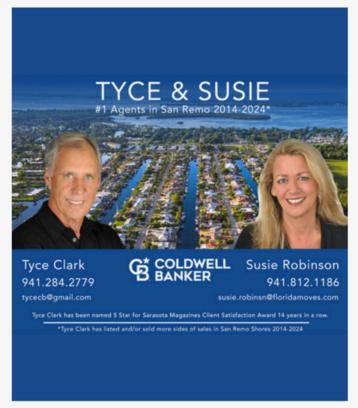
# **Our Waterways**



Jeremy Williams, Waterways hoawaterways@sanremoshores.org

For the mostpart, our channel and canals have been fairly low maintenance after the enormous efforts that took place late last year to clean up the hurricane debris, lost signage, and failed pilings. We did upgrade the solar-powered LED lights on the channel markers, and made a contraption to deter the wildlife from sitting on and defecating on the lights which should keep them lasting longer and charging better.

See an issue on our community waterways? Please report it to <a href="mailto:hoawaterways@sanremoshores.org">hoawaterways@sanremoshores.org</a>







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# **FMCCA Update**



Vice President, Federation of Manatee Community Associations

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Update on Amendment to our Manatee County Suburban Plan to Correct error in definition of "Incompatibility" for high rise development: Pursuant to a phone call by me to Manatee County Planning Department I was advised that this issue is presently still in the hands of the hired County Professional Planners for consideration. I was advised that a revised Comprehensive Plan is due for the County Commission to review in November and that I will be called when the Commissioners receive it. I will continue to monitor this to keep us advised.

After existing since 1964, FMCCA remaining members, directors and officers voted in March 2025, to file a notice with the Florida Corporate Division of Corporations to dissolve FMCCA, as a non-profit Florida Community Corporation.

In 1964, when FMCCA was created by San Remo Shores, Coral Shores, and Palma Sola Park, Manatee County total residential population was only approximately 75,000 people with approximately 25 home owners associations. Today, Manatee County residential population is estimated to be in excess of 750,000 people, with in excess of 1,700 Homeowners Associations. Accordingly, it is not possible to conduct monthly or quarterly membership meetings with one member from each HOA to decide and provide needed suggestions to either our city, county, or our local legislative, state, and federal delegations to help Manatee county. When I and my wife moved to San Remo Shores in 1968, because of my business and professional background, I was immediately contacted to join FMCCA to become a member, until the present time.

However, the need for public input to our public and elected officials is greater today then in 1964, because of our growth and need for proper and affordable public services for the San Remo Shores area and other similar areas of Manatee County.

This can be done only in the San Remo Shores area by forming an association only of San Remo Shores, Coral Shores, Coral Shores East, Sunny Shores, Palma Sola Park, and Flamingo Cay only, instead of including other areas of Manatee County. The new residential areas adjacent to East of Coral Shores, East of Sunny Shores, could eventually be added.

To implement this idea or any other such idea, the presidents or leaders in these above areas would have to be contacted to have a meeting and form this kind of "Local Federation". I will be "90 years" young in December so I am too young and not eligible to do this, except to provide consultations on a limited basis.



## **NOTICE OF PASSINGS**

**Dee Pastorius**, Royal Palm Drive, wife of Maynard, a famous watercolor artist and women's club member

**Judy Bellem**, Plumosa Terrace, wife of Hesso, daughter-in-law of Lore Scharr

Russell Capelle, Royal Palm Dr



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# Membership Form (2026)

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