

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER FOR DAKOTA HOMEOWNERS | DEC-2019/JAN-2020

Movie Night with Elf!

Dakota's First Cookie Swap Second Meet & Greet

> Holiday Pop-Up Shop

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HOA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Dakota Homeowners,

Wow! What a year it has been! It's hard to believe how far we have come in 2019, not only from a sales perspective, but as a neighborhood as well! This year alone, we have sold over 96 homes and only have four homes left

for sale, which means since opening in March of 2017, we have sold a grand total of 383 homes!

We will soon begin construction on the lots within the sales parking lot and will be converting the sales and design center homes for closing! We still have roughly 42 homes under construction and are working hard to get them wrapped up! We are currently over 86 percent closed (335 out of 387) and have welcomed 165 homeowners to the community this year. It will not be long until we hit 90 percent closed, which means it will be time to elect a new board and begin the turnover process to the homeowners. We will be sure to send out correspondence with more information on this as we get closer.

A big thank you to everyone who attended our Annual Meeting last month. For those of you who were unable to make it, we will be putting the gates down 24/7 starting the first week of January, so please be on the lookout for the e-blasts with more information! Thank you as always for your continued support in making Dakota the wonderful neighborhood that it is!

Wishing everyone a very Happy Holiday season and a Happy New Year! Here's to 2020!

All my best, Kara Babcock Project Manager and HOA President

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GRS PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

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GRS RESIDENT PORTAL

The resident portal can be accessed once you have registered at grsmgt.com. This portal will allow you access to your account as well as the ability to place work orders for landscaping, irrigation. Please visit www.grsmgt.com.

MODEL CENTER Dakota, 15380 Blue River Road Delray Beach, FL 33446, 561-364-2000 Models Open Daily 10:00 AM to 6:00 PM glhomes.com

FROM YOUR HOA PROPERTY MANAGER



I can't believe we are getting ready celebrate the holidays! This past year has gone by quickly and it has been a pleasure to work with all my wonderful residents. As we finish 2019 and enter 2020, we anticipate great things ahead. The Developer will be turning the property over to all of

you! If you have any questions regarding the turnover process, myself and the GRS team will be happy to assist. GRS will be sending out election information during the month of December, as we anticipate the welcoming of a new Board of Directors.

The week of January 6th we will be closing our gates and staffing the guardhouse round the clock. Also, be sure you are registered on our Dakotahoadelray. com website to ensure you receive all community and social activity updates.

As always, if I can be of any assistance, please don't hesitate to email me or stop in and say hello. Wishing you all a Happy Holiday Season!

Sincerely, Dawn Acovino

CLUBHOUSE HOURS:

7:00 AM – 12:00 AM Daily Tennis Courts/Pickleball: 8:00 AM – 9:00 PM Basketball Courts: Dawn – Dusk Aerobics Room: 7:00 AM – 11:00 PM Sports Court: 7:00 AM – 11:00 PM Pool/Party Pavilion/Playground: Dawn – Dusk Property Manager: Monday-Friday 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM Social Director: Tuesday- Saturday 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM

FITNESS: The Fitness Center is available for use 24 hours a day. After 11:00 PM you will need to gain access through the outside entrance by the mailboxes.

TENNIS: First-come, first-served, available during the hours of 8:00 AM – 9:00 PM

FROM YOUR LIFESTYLE DIRECTOR



With the Holiday Season on our doorstep, I want to thank all of you for your event participation throughout this last year. It has been such a pleasure getting to know you and your families. I very much look forward to the fun things we will do together as a community in 2020!

To all the new families who have recently moved in, welcome to Dakota! Lifestyle is such an important part of our community and I cannot wait to meet you at future events!

We have five sanctioned clubs that you, as residents, have put together. Each club offers the opportunity for you to make new friends with neighbors who share similar interests.

It is imperative that you mark your calendars and RSVP prior to event deadlines to avoid the cancellation of any event. Please keep in mind that it is so important for our community to come together for events to ensure their maximum potential. Our residents' support is extremely crucial to the success of these events. A special thanks to everyone who has participated in and enjoyed all the events we have presented so far!

Our community has been socially enriched thanks to your continued feedback and suggestions for events, clubs, and fitness classes. Please keep in mind that we are always looking for new clubs and leaders to bring proposed clubs to life. Please continue to send us feedback and if there are any events or activities you would like to see us implement, come by my office or e-mail me. My door is always open!

Cheerfully yours, Nichole Ware

STAY CONNECTED

Dakota HOA – Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/groups/422077395208034/ Dakota Website: https://dakotahoa.evercondo.com

HOA EVENTS



ELF – MOVIE NIGHT

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Join Buddy, a human raised as an Elf, on his travels to New York to find his father! This holiday favorite will be shown in the indoor Sports Court on the big screen for all to enjoy! Please bring something comfortable to sit on – pillows, sleeping bags, and lawn chairs are all welcome. Chairs are available upon request.

\$2.00 per anyone who attends, paid via PayPal. Kindly RSVP via PayPal no later than Wednesday, December 11th.



Friday, December 20th

COOKIE SWAP

700 PM - 8:00 PM

A little sugar and a lot of fun! If you have a family-favorite batch of cookies or a new recipe you would like to attempt, put together about six to eight dozen and bring them down to the Clubhouse event room where you will swap your cookies with other Dakota residents! Remember to bring a container or two to take home the cookies you receive. Also, please email or drop off the recipe you use to Nichole prior to Wednesday, December 18th, so we can share them at the event!

This event is free of charge! Please RSVP and send your recipe to Nichole at Nware@grsmgt.com no later than Wednesday, December 18th.

Sunday, December 15th

Dakota's Holiday Party • Sunday, December 15th • 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Winter Wonderland

Join us as we celebrate the upcoming holiday season as the clubhouse transforms into a Winter Wonderland! A candy land decorated sports court, candy & snow cones for the kids as well as live music, light appetizers and a bartender for the adults! There will be photo opportunities for you, your family & friends!

RSVP is mandatory for this event no later than Tuesday, December 10th. Please email Nware@grsmgt.com with how many Dakota residents will be attending. Wristbands must be picked up prior to the event during office hours in Nichole's office. If you would like to see certain classes and or fitness activities being offered here at Dakota, please feel free to email Nichole, your Social Director at nware@grsmgt.com.



Saturday, December 21st

HOLIDAY POP-UP SHOP & CHIK-FIL-A!

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM



Do you create jewelry?

Bake delicious goodies? Offer helpful services? This table event will allow you to showcase your business! Simply rent a table and set up your shop! Come support each other, trade ideas, and learn what your neighbors do for a living! It is also a perfect opportunity to do last-minute holiday gift shopping!

Table rentals are available for friends and family as well! If someone you know is small business owner or would like to come network with our residents, please share this information with them!

Chick-Fil-A will be on property during this event, so come for lunch before heading into the Pop-Up Shop! \$20.00 Table rental fee. You will pay Chick-fil-a directly. All tables will need to be reserved via PayPal no later than Wednesday, December 18th.

Saturday, January 11th

MEET & GREET

11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

As Dakota continues to grow, we welcome new residents on a day to day basis! To get to know your neighbors, we will be hosting monthly Meet & Greets here at the Clubhouse.

Join us for first Meet & Greet of the new year, in the Event Room on Saturday, January 11th. The last event was potluck style, and a big success! Bring a dish or drink to share and use this time to introduce yourselves to other Dakota residents. Please RSVP to Nware@grsmgt.com no later than Wednesday, January 8th.

RSVP INFORMATION

Please remember, events are subject to cancellation if the RSVP minimum is not met.Payment is required prior to the event, unless otherwise noted.

Dear Residents,

Happy Holidays! The Dakota board and GRS Management would like to extend their heartfelt wishes for a happy and safe holiday season. Thank you for being part of this beautiful community!

As a current elected Board Member, I am extremely honored and humbled to have your confidence to responsibly serve the best interests of our neighborhood. Like you, I want to see a thriving Dakota that represents a shining example of how a vibrant and friendly community should be run. As you may be aware, GL Homes is nearing the close of all lots in Dakota, and will be turning over control of our HOA to our residents. As such, there will be three (3) vacancies on the Dakota HOA board this upcoming winter (February 2020). A Board member is a voluntary position that requires a passion to serve, along with selflessness and thick skin. Notwithstanding, serving your community will not only bring you joy, but also allow you to focus your passions and interests in making Dakota the best community it can possibly be. Please consider serving your community and making a difference.

Also, did you know Dakota has a HOA administered Facebook page to help residents stay updated with community events and information, join today at www. facebook.com/DakotaHOA!

Lastly, as we enter the holiday season, and usher in a new year, we would like to warmly welcome all those who have moved into the neighborhood over the past year and made Dakota your home! I encourage all neighbors, new and old, to please introduce yourselves to neighbors whom you haven't met! Let's keep Dakota friendly, safe, and wonderful.

Sincerely, Lauren D'Alora

CLUB NEWS

Do you have a special interest that you share with other residents? Would you like to become active in your community? Then starting your own club is the best way to get involved! We have five clubs that have been sanctioned by the HOA, to date. If you are interested in starting your own club, please contact your social director at nware@grsmgt.com. Keep reading for the latest from our sanctioned clubs.

BUNCO

Bunco is a social dice game with prizes, themes, refreshments, and fun! Bunco will resume on Friday, January 10th at 8:00 PM in the Event Room. Should you have any questions, please contact Debbie Leibowitz at 561-735-1303.

THE MAHJONG CLUB

The Mahjong Club has been having a great time! The club welcomes beginners, intermediate, and advanced players. Our group meets on Monday evenings starting at 6:30 PM in the Card Room. The room sits 16 players, so first come, first served. Guests are always welcome, but of course, residents take precedence. We look forward to seeing everyone. Healthy peanut-free snacks and drinks are welcomed. Any questions, please contact Debi Schuman 516-840-1433 or Cindy Bergman 561-213-1889.

MEN'S POKER CLUB

The Poker club has welcomed several new members who have moved into the community recently and have enjoyed our summer playing cards. High-stakes poker will now be played the last Tuesday of each month, starting at 7:30 PM in the Card Room. All levels of play are welcomed. Any questions, please contact Mitch Schuman at 631-278-2270.

PICKLEBALL CLUB



Come on out and play! All ages and levels welcome! The group plays Wednesday evenings (about 7:00 PM), and Saturday and Sunday mornings (8:00 AM)! Smaller groups meet in the mornings and as the weather

gets cooler, we think we will have people on the courts all the time. If you are a beginner, let us know, and the club will schedule some time to teach you scoring and the basic rules on an evening when the larger group is not playing. Sometimes there are big groups, and sometimes smaller groups, but one thing is for sure – we always have fun! We have a small Dakota Pickleball FB page and a "whatsapp" group text, so you can always find people to play with! Looking forward to seeing you on the courts!

Please note the difference between an HOA Event put on by the Social Director and a club event that it is created by club members. The Social Director will collect money for any HOA Event, and the event will be open to the entire community, unless otherwise specified.



MOM'S GROUP (NEW)

The Mom's Group provides an opportunity for moms and children of all ages to get together a couple of times a month. This will be a great way to meet neighbors and for the kids to make some new friends! Meeting dates and times vary, so please stay tuned to the Facebook page and email updates. If you have any questions, please contact Christina Davis at 561-866-7240.

TENNIS



PLEASE WELCOME DAKOTA'S OFFICIAL TENNIS PRO, ZOLI!

My name is Zoli Derekas, and I look forward to serving the Dakota Community as your tennis pro. I began competing at the age of ten, in my home country, Hungary, and have been building on my experience ever since. I moved to the Boca Raton area in 2003, and began teaching local residents. I have had the privilege of

working with hundreds of people of all levels, ranging from age 4 to 84. It is my passion to help my students progress and guide them so they reach their maximum potential. I spent many years coaching at South County Park in Boca Raton before moving over to Boca Greens Country Club where I continue to teach today.

For scheduling and prices, please contact me at 786-409-0624.

TENNIS PROGRAMS AT DAKOTA

Private Tennis Lessons30 minutes Private Lesson1 hour Private Lesson1 hour Semi Private Lesson (2 Players)

Group Tennis Lessons

1 hour Group Lesson (3 Players Format) 1.5 hour Group Lesson (Tennis Clinic, 4 – 6 Players)

Group and Private Tennis Lessons for Kids 45 minutes Private Lesson (Age 7 and under) 45 minutes Semi Private (Age 7 and under) 1 hour Private Lesson (Age 8 and up) 1 hour Semi Private (Age 8 and up) 1 hour Group Lesson for Kids (Based on age/level)

Lessons are now available during the hours of 8:00 AM and 12:00 PM

FITNESS



Total Health Systems (THS) is your fitness management company. THS provides a variety of classes that target different parts of the body. Exercise is good for your health, your heart, and your mind. THS offers one-on-one personal training with a certified personal trainer that will develop an exercise program tailored to help you reach your specific goals. Please contact THS at: info@totalhealthsystemsinc.com or 561-706-1141.



Checks can be made out to THS. There are no refunds, no credits and no makeups. Please sign up for classes with Nichole at nware@grsmgt.com

FITNESS CLASSES

Prior to each month, we will offer three different classes in which you can participate. Pre-registration is mandatory to guarantee we reach the minimum requirement of seven participants per class. If a class does not reach the minimum requirement, that class will be cancelled for that month. Please watch Dakota's Facebook page, as well as your emails for upcoming class information!

PERSONAL TRAINING

Total Health Systems trainers will help you develop greater flexibility, strength, and endurance. Personal training can improve your cardiovascular systems and help with sport-specific training. To set up your oneon-one training, please contact Total Health Systems directly.

HOA EVENTS



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WOMEN'S FRIENDS-GIVING





