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Sierra^{del} Mar

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Information for and About Our Community

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Meet your Board Member David Ruskin

My name is David Ruskin, and I've had the pleasure of calling Sierra Del Mar home since August 2023. I've been serving on the HOA Board as a Director since September 2024 and am proud to be part of a community that values connection and cooperation.

I'm a licensed attorney in both New York and Arizona, focusing on family law, civil litigation, and consumer debt issues—including foreclosure defense, credit card debt settlement, and credit repair. I'm passionate about problem-solving and advocacy, and I strive to bring those strengths to my role on the board.

Originally from New York, I earned my undergraduate degree from Fairleigh Dickinson University and my Juris Doctor from the Maurice A. Deane School of Law at Hofstra University. Now, as a proud Floridian, I live here with my wife and our two young children. As a family of four, we love exploring all that South Florida has to offer—whether it's a spontaneous road trip, catching a game, local events, farmers markets, weekend adventures, or just quality time together.

I'm excited to continue building strong relationships with neighbors and working toward thoughtful, practical improvements that make Sierra Del Mar an even better place to live.

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What's Been Going On

Check out the Beautification of our SDM community -Atrium and Sierra Blvd have a new look!

We are getting a great response!

"Looks great! Frank, Looks great!" Jimmy; "About time we replaced those bushes, looks great!" Bob;

"What a difference, Thank you!" Margery

- Fence Repairs are ongoing if you need a fix please contact Ric Weinstein ricsdmboard@gmail.com
- Stanway East light-pole repaired
- New signs were put up at the pool with correct DAWN to DUSK time
- Iguana Service is here every Tues. and Thurs. just call them if you need service
- Enforced Violations -No parking on the grass, wrong side of the street, blocking mailboxes, trash cans and recycling bins to be put away you are responsible for your visitors and vendors to follow rules
- Service calendar posted at the pool







in any volunteering opportunities, please contact a board member.

Time for summer grilling! There's nothing quite like grilling in the Florida sunshine. Whether you're flipping burgers or firing up kabobs, outdoor cooking is a summer favorite. But with grilling comes risk. A fire or accidental burn can happen in seconds if proper precautions aren't taken.

**From Boca Raton Fire Rescue

SAFETY TIPS

- Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors.
- · The grill should be placed well away from the home, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grill area.
- Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grills and in trays below the grill.
- Never leave your grill unattended.
- Always make sure your gas grill lid is open before lighting it.

July is ODD side of street parking August is EVEN side of street parking

Coyotes Are In Our Neighborhood!

While walking my dog in Silver Palms Park around 7:20 am, I had to scare away a coyote, my friend also saw a coyote at Del Prado Elementary!

Now, I carry a horn with me to scare the coyotes away.

Here are some tips:

- Secure food sources: Never leave pet food outside, and ensure trash bins are tightly sealed.
- **Supervise pets**: Keep cats and dogs indoors especially at night.
- **Install deterrents**: Motion-sensitive lights and sprinklers can help discourage coyotes.

If you see a coyote, the best approach is hazing, or making yourself appear large and threatening to scare it away:

- Make loud noises: Blow a whistle, honk an air horn, or clap your hands aggressively.
- Use visual deterrents: Wave your arms, shake a bright jacket, or flash a flashlight.
- Throw objects: Toss small stones or sticks near (not at) the coyote to encourage retreat.
- Stay firm and do not run: Running may trigger a chase instinct. Instead, maintain eye contact and slowly back away.
- Pick up your small pet if you are out walking.

The Florida Wildlife Conservation says **not to engage** in hazing if the coyote is with a baby or appears sick.

Coyotes are naturally wary of humans, but bold behavior can develop if they associate neighborhoods with easy food. I heard of a cat being eaten during the day at Cloverfield. Coyotes can dig under fences and also jump high. **Watch your pets!**Here is a website with more information and techniques. https://myfwc.com/conservation/you-conserve/wildlife/coyotes/

Community Association Manager - Michael Nadeau He is available to assist you or answer your questions

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What's In Season for July and August!



The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) encourages consumers to familiarize themselves with Florida-grown crops and when they are available by viewing the Florida Seasonal Availability Chart. Though most Florida crops are seasonal, some farmers do grow their produce in greenhouses or other facilities, thus making certain items available at different times of the year.

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City Of Boca Fabulous Things To Do

In celebrating history, the City of Boca Raton is proud to present the Fabulous events listed below for 2025.

- Firecracker 5K Spark your Independence Day celebrations with a certified 5K on the campus of long-term community partner, Florida Atlantic University.
- Liberty Cup Racquet Tournament Community members will battle for the inaugural Liberty Cup in this round-robin bracket-style Pickleball and Tennis Tournament at Patch Reef Park.
- Block Party Join us for a FREE Fabulous Fourth Block Party at the award-winning Sugar Sand Park featuring fun for the whole family.
- Fabulous Finale FREE celebration along the water in Countess de Hoernle Park at the Fabulous Finale featuring live music and a 20minute fireworks spectacular presented by the City of Boca Raton and the Greater Boca Raton Beach and Park District.

Outdoor Marine Aquarium Feeding Daily Activities FREE

Learn about the fascinating behaviors of native fish, stingrays, and other marine life while watching our animals be fed during these free daily presentations. Meet at the outdoor marine aquariums.

Gumbo Limbo Nature Center 561-393-7700 1801 N Ocean Blvd. Boca Raton FL 33432

Kid-Friendly Train Rides at Tradewinds & Atlantic Railroad in Tradewinds Park

Trains are operated by <u>Tradewinds & Atlantic Railroad Inc.</u>, a club that maintains and improves the facilities and provides educational programs for its members and the general public.

Call to get more information and reservations Tradewinds Park and Stables 954-357-8870 3600 W. Sample Rd. Coconut Creek FL 33066

Sensory Sensitive Sundays at Chuck E. Cheese FREE

We're proud to support families who have children with autism and other special needs. Participating locations will open two hours early on the first Sunday of the month to offer a sensory-friendly experience for families.

Chuck E. Cheese. 561- 487-7645 21699-A, State Rd. 7 Boca Raton FL 33428

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If you need a key for any of our gates or the pool please contact Stuart Braun at stuartsdmboard@gmail.com

Congratulations to Lev and Jenna Beltser on the birth of their daughter Michal Bella!
Congratulations to The Josephs on the marriage of their granddaughter Meira Nisa Shapiro to Moshe Tzvi Shapiro

If you have a celebration you want to announce let us know!