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## POINSETTIA RD.

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**Mark G. Kantzler D.O.** <saildance1@gmail.com>  
To: commission@townofbelleair.net

Sat, Oct 17, 2020 at 2:48 PM

Dear Belleair Commission,

Please note that the four residents of [425 Wildwood Way](#), Annette, Mark, Mark II and Abigail who all are licensed drivers, request that Poinsettia Rd. Remain open after Rosery Rd. construction has been completed.

We feel that it would be a detriment to the Belleair community should the road be closed from through access access from the West end of Poinsettia through to Clearwater-Largo Rd. and continuity through to Alternate 19 aka Missouri Ave.

Thank you

If possible please acknowledge that this message has been distributed and noted by the entire commission.

The petition has also been signed by all of us.



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## Permanent closing of Poinsettia Road at the Pinellas Trail

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rparson7@tampabay.rr.com <rparson7@tampabay.rr.com>

Sat, Oct 17, 2020 at 2:06 PM

Reply-To: rparson7@tampabay.rr.com

To: "commission@townofbelleair.net" <commission@townofbelleair.net>

Dear Belleair Commission members:

My wife and I live at [657 Poinsettia Road](#) in Belleair. Please note that we are strongly OPPOSED to the re-opening of Poinsettia Road at the Pinellas Trail and we are strongly in favor of permanent closure in order to prevent increased crime and traffic in our community.

Thank you for your support in protecting our Belleair community!

Bob and Linda Parsons



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## Closure of Poinsettia Road

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'BARBARA BRANSCUM' via Commission <Commission@townofbelleair.net>

Sat, Oct 17, 2020 at 3:23 PM

Reply-To: BARBARA BRANSCUM &lt;bbranscum@aol.com&gt;

To: commission@townofbelleair.net

Dear Commissioners,

My husband and I have lived at 23 Pelican Place since 1993. We both vote to close Poinsettia Road which adjoins Rosary Road. We have noticed a difference in traffic and in more residents out enjoying our beautiful community since the road has been closed.

We have great concerns about the number of apartments that soon will be opened to an influx of more people in our area. There have been concerns about more traffic and, especially, more crime. "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

We are unable to attend the discussion on October 20, but we wanted you to know our concerns. Thank you for serving our community and responding to the needs of the residents.

Barbara and Cleveland Branscum

Sent from my iPad



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## Poinsettia Road Discussion

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Paul C &lt;pcoz1030@gmail.com&gt;

Sat, Oct 17, 2020 at 6:59 PM

To: commission@townofbelleair.net

Mayor and Commisioners:

My wife and I live at [1343 Indian Rocks Rd.](#), which is three houses north of the intersection with Poinsettia. We have an 18 yr old son who is a senior at Largo High School, and drives himself and our daughter, a freshman at Largo High School, to school every morning. The current Rosery closure is already a major inconvenience for them and our family traveling to school, work and shopping, and the thought of making this permanent to appease a privileged few is ridiculous. We strongly oppose this plan and urge you to abandon it. As it is now, we have to cut through side streets to go east, and the current closure only adds to the stacking on Indian Rocks Road. We'd really like to hear from someone as to why this is even being considered. We have an idea, but sure hope we're wrong.

Sincerely,  
Paul and Christine Cozzie



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## Poinsettia Road

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**Ken Roberts** <ksjbroberts@gmail.com>  
To: commission@townofbelleair.net

Sun, Oct 18, 2020 at 7:25 AM

I'm for keeping it closed. In addition, fix the issue with the roundabout (one of the dumbest decisions made), it needs be Policed or removed!

Ken Roberts  
1711 Laurel Rd



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## Poibnsettia Closure

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Frank Murphy &lt;fvm@dosp.org&gt;

Mon, Oct 19, 2020 at 10:19 AM

To: "commission@townofbelleair.net" &lt;commission@townofbelleair.net&gt;

Dear Commissioners,

Thanks for asking for input. I know this is a difficult decision. I would like it closed for the safety of the residents on this street. Please note the following:

-Mehlenbacher was developed to be the connection to Clearwater Largo road. It is wide and was meant to accommodate the traffic.

- Poinsettia is a residential road that has been closed and has not been a problem –I do recognize the inconvenience.

- It is really a speed way that will be worse with more traffic—note the lack of town street lights and the fact we have poles with no wires that have not been removed.

-What will be done if the road is not closed? There has not been a good solution except road closure. My last 20 plus years in Belleair there has been no solution to this problem. A traffic calming study was done -no action. Police sit out on the road but no real deterrent except when they are there- can they be posted there all the time? Other streets that provided cut through opportunities had the speed limit dropped to 20MPH.

-What actions did the commission take when our Largo neighbors approved this development—was Belleair given any consideration like restricted turn lanes?

- The crime rate could go up with the expanded access—not aware if this has been studied but easy quick easy entrance can't help.

I want to close on a positive note---the sidewalks have been appreciated and used by many of our neighbors—the Pelican development has been great and I am pretty sure increased traffic would not help them at this time.

Looking forward to a closed street or at least a new 20MPH speed limit for the safety of our community.

Frank Murphy

[623 Poinsettia Road](#)



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## Fwd: Poinsettia Road Closure Discussion

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**Katie Cole** <kecole1022@gmail.com>  
To: commission@townofbelleair.net  
Cc: JP Murphy <jmurphy@townofbelleair.net>

Mon, Oct 19, 2020 at 7:33 PM

I realized I had the incorrect email suffix. Please see below.

Thank you.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** Katie Cole <kecole1022@gmail.com>  
**Date:** October 19, 2020 at 7:13:39 PM EDT  
**To:** commission@townofbelleair.org  
**Cc:** JP Murphy <jmurphy@townofbelleair.net>  
**Subject:** Fwd: Poinsettia Road Closure Discussion

Dear Mayor Katica and fellow Commissioners-

Please allow me to take a moment to express some thoughts in advance of your meeting tomorrow night.

One of the great things about Belleair is the fact it is an oasis of a community within the most densely populated county in the State of Florida and has the honor of being a planned community by John Nolen. After hearing the various discussions regarding Largo's Clearwater-Largo Road development corridor – I felt obliged to offer some comments.

Poinsettia – a main entrance to our Town – should not be closed.

- The Town's street grid operates in concert with one another and closing Poinsettia only pushes traffic to other roads
- The entire community uses Poinsettia – not just the residents who live on that roadway
- The traffic counts included in the agenda item, while clearly showing the shift of traffic to other Town roads, fail to include Belleview Blvd impacts – which, I can attest is significantly impacted as my own morning routine shifted north to Belleview after Largo closed Rosery
- The Town of Belleair has never actually closed Poinsettia. Largo closed Rosery. It is offensive that some residents now object to the "reopening" of the roadway – when it was never closed by the town nor any actual analysis of same was conducted.
- Poinsettia creates a strong connection not only to neighboring communities but to the Pinellas Trail for all Belleair residents

I would strongly urge the Town to put a stop to such a conversation. I appreciate that some residents of Poinsettia may have felt a relief by the temporary closure by Largo of Rosery – that is not cause for Belleair to spend time and effort changing its street grid. Respectfully, if the Poinsettia residents are worried about traffic – address the traffic with traffic calming measures; if they are worried about crime – address crime through patrols by our capable Police Department; if they are worried about speeding – then address the speeding with stepped up enforcement.

While I'm sure that the proponents of closure who live along Poinsettia may be the loudest voice, I wanted to be sure to share that there are other residents of Belleair who would be impacted by

such a decision who are not in favor of the road closing.

Thank you for all you do for the Town and for your thoughtful leadership on not only this issue – but others which impact all the residents in our community. I appreciate your consideration.

Best regards -

Katie Cole

[21 Evonaire Circle](#)

[Belleair, FL](#)



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## Rosary road closure

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'Jean Alli' via Commission <Commission@townofbelleair.net>

Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 6:05 AM

Reply-To: Jean Alli <jalldesigns@yahoo.com>

To: commission@townofbelleair.net

I am opposed to keeping Rosary Rd. Closed permanently. It is a needed means of egress for residents, emergency vehicles, etc. it spreads out the flow of traffic between Ponce and Melenbacher.

Jean Alli

401 Althea Rd.

Jean Alli Designs, Inc.

940 Clearwater Largo Rd., Suite 104

Largo, FL. 33770



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## Rosary Road closing and more

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MJ PPN &lt;ppnmanoleros@gmail.com&gt;

Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 7:48 AM

To: commission@townofbelleair.net

I want to point out a couple of other road closures that greatly impact our neighborhood that live along or use Poinsettia Rd to go east.

**Did you know that Muhlenbacher is being closed from the trail to Indian rocks rd starting in march 2021 thru approximately Nov.?**

**I propose you postpone at the least the decision - to keep Rosary closed- until we see how much traffic is actually generated on Rosary Rd by the new apt complex and until Muhlenbacher reopened late 2021?** You are going to have a high volume of traffic created on Ponce de Leon affecting the Rec center, sports, tennis and residents. Have you even considered this impact and advised those residents?

Our association is extremely frustrated over this obstacle course to go east out of Belleair. Going west now by the golf course to the 4 way stop is going to be worse than it is now.

Who and why was this even considered? Is your interest with the residents welfare or a private club?

MJ Manoleros  
President of Pelican Place North  
727-265-5417



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## YES - Permanently Close Poinsettia Rd

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'Shannon Bostwick' via Commission <Commission@townofbelleair.net>

Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 7:34 AM

Reply-To: Shannon Bostwick &lt;bostwick5@yahoo.com&gt;

To: commission@townofbelleair.net

To whom it may concern,

We, as residents living on Poinsettia Rd, vote YES for permanently closing Poinsettia Rd.

Living here for over 11 years, we have seen a DRAMATIC decrease in the amount of speeding traffic, amount of traffic, and noise pollution of vehicles revving their engines, and boats being hauled down the road to cut through to Indian Rocks Rd since the closure about 12 months ago.

Since the closure, neighbors are out in their FRONT yards more often enjoying the evenings and walking like we have not seen in 11 years.

This has proven to be not only a positive for our neighbors on Poinsettia Rd, but a positive in the overall enjoyment of living in Belleair.

If Poinsettia Rd opens we fear that possible serious injuries would be incurred by residents or their pets that are frequently walking and crossing the street to Gulfview or Indian Rocks Rd. The pedestrian foot traffic would be in harms way if Poinsettia Rd opens because it would become a mini freeway!

Please keep Poinsettia Rd closed permanently for the future of our beautiful community that we enjoy.

Sincerely,

Matt and Shannon Bostwick  
640 Poinsettia Rd  
Belleair

Christine Nicole <[cnicole@townofbelleair.net](mailto:cnicole@townofbelleair.net)>

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## Resident petition

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**Audrey Schechter** <[aschechter4@yahoo.com](mailto:aschechter4@yahoo.com)>  
To: Christine Nicole <[cnicole@townofbelleair.net](mailto:cnicole@townofbelleair.net)>  
Cc: David Schechter <[theschech@gmail.com](mailto:theschech@gmail.com)>

Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 10:50 AM

Hi Christine. Please find attached a flier we put together. Please make part of the record. Also, there is a petition on [Change.org](https://www.change.org) (referenced in the flier) and we would like that to be part of the record as well, but I am not sure how to make that happen. Please let me know what else we can do to make sure the Commission sees all of the information.

Thanks,  
Audrey

On Monday, October 12, 2020, 01:54:29 PM EDT, Christine Nicole <[cnicole@townofbelleair.net](mailto:cnicole@townofbelleair.net)> wrote:

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## Rosary closure

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'Don Alli' via Commission <Commission@townofbelleair.net>

Tue, Oct 20, 2020 at 6:04 AM

Reply-To: Don Alli <d\_alli@me.com>

To: commission@townofbelleair.net

I'm Opposed to the Rosary Road closure

Sincerely

Don Alli

Sent from my iPad

Dear Belleair Residents,

As you may be aware, a proposal has been made to permanently close Poinsettia Road. Poinsettia is currently closed for construction. As longtime residents of Belleair, we are against this closure and respectfully ask you to consider the impact to our community.

As the map shows, there are three main entrances to central Belleair from the East:

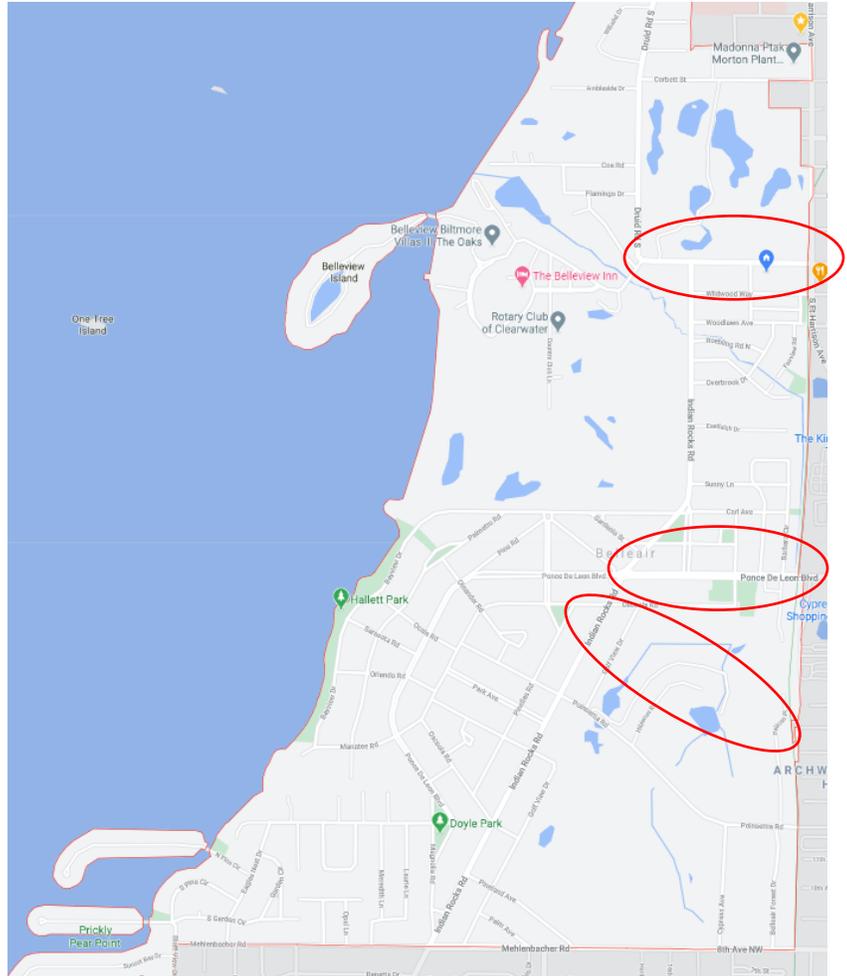
- Belleview Blvd.
- Ponce de Leon Blvd.
- Poinsettia Rd.

We believe that the Poinsettia closure will result in a negative impact to our community:

- Increased traffic on Belleview and Ponce de Leon, especially during the winter months. Belleview already sees multiple light-cycle backups at certain times. (A traffic study has not been done to assess the impact).
- Significant capital expense to the community to create closures and turn around spaces.
- An adverse impact to response times for our secondary fire station's access to the heart of the community.

What you can do:

- Attend the Belleair Commission meeting on October 20 at 6:00 pm and voice your concerns
- Sign the petition against this proposal (<https://www.change.org/p/belleair-town-commission-petition-to-keep-poinsettia-road-open>)
- Call the Mayor and Town Commissioners and voice your concerns
  - Katica, Gary H., Mayor - (727) 588-3769 x 239
  - Rettstatt, Karla, Deputy Mayor - (727) 588-3769
  - Wilkinson, Michael, Commissioner - (727) 742-8799
  - Kurey, Tom, Commissioner - (727) 543-0663
  - Shelly, Tom, Commissioner - (727) 510-8350



We appreciate your consideration

Audrey and David Schechter  
Joann and Rawlyn Rogers  
Elizabeth and William Cottrell  
Lisa and John Lowe