FIRST TIME IN TWENTY YEARS

Did you see the big Seminole County trucks at our sewers working diligently? I had to ask what was happening? They were cleaning out years of collected debris!! BRAVO...

After the main force sewer lines were replaced last summer, they ruined the white lines of the crosswalk at Dashergreen. After a call, Seminole County came out and repainted them ... well done!!

Their Code Enforcement people have been called here more than once when neighbors have violated health laws, sidewalks were blocked, yards overgrown, and they have been terrific!!

YOUR DUES ARE DUE BY DECEMBER 31st

The Board voted to hold 2009 dues to the same level as last year - \$93.59, to help us all.

So, as hard as it might be to pay your one bill for HOA dues, please DO IT!! Under the covenants, we will have no choice but to place a lien on your property if not paid.

Your Home Is Your Best Investment

The Terraces Deer Run HOA 7A & 7B P. O. 516

Casselberry, FL 32718

Address correction requested

Absentee owners are reminded to keep the Covenants by having their RENTERS aware and keeping the Covenants!

HURRICANE SEASON IS OVER

We made it through without a major

who remember the blue tarps on our roofs

week after week two years ago ... whew!!!

storm. Thank you dear Lord. For those of us

trying to find a roofer, cleaning up our yards

TO:

VIEW FROM THE TERRACES

Board of Directors:

December, 2008 Melissa Gazaway Patricia Cox Natalie Amento Marti Ryals

Scheduled Meetings:

Geri Williams

7:30 p.m. at Pinetree Village Clubhouse September 10th October 8th November 12th



Association Address: P.O. Box 516

Casselberry, FL 32718

Important Phone #'s:

Code Enforcement: (407) 665-1766 Commissioner Dollari: (407) 665-7215 Seminole County Sheriff: (407) 665-6650

Website Address: www.theterracesatdeerrun.com

E-mail Address for Problems: contact@theterracesatdeerrun.com

A message from the President of your Homeowner Association Board, Melissa Gazaway:

Another year is rapidly coming to a close. It really amazes me how fast the days are passing.

The board is preparing for next year's budget. In light of the current financial strain everyone is experiencing, we have elected *NOT* to increase the HOA dues our customary 3%. While this would amount to only a few dollars, many of us are counting every penny and we wanted to prevent any additional stress on our neighbors. This should not impact any of the current services the board provides for the neighborhood; however, if anything happens to our front wall (such as an accident), it may affect our ability to pay for repairs. We had to discontinue the insurance on the wall last year as the cost was in excess of \$3,000.00 and we simply do not have the money in the budget for coverage.

The holidays are nearing and Santa will come again this year. As is customary, refreshments will be provided and all are encouraged to come and visit with their neighbors. While we all don't celebrate Christmas, it is always fun to socialize and get to know those who live around you.

Crime watch is in full swing, and for the first month since we started, we have no bad news to report. All incidents previously were crimes of opportunity, so please remember to lock your cars, bring in your mail, and close your garage doors if you aren't outside. Report any suspicious activity to Seminole County Sheriff's office immediately, as our patrols are based on the number of calls they receive about any given area.

ALL HOMEOWNERS ARE ASKED TO ATTEND WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14, 2009

This is the one meeting that all homeowners are asked to attend to discuss their concerns for our community for the coming year, vote for the new Board of Directors slate, approve the 2009 budget, and just come and meet your Homeowner Association Directors.

You should have already received your annual bill for yearly dues with a copy of the budget and list of Directors. For those homeowners who cannot attend the meeting to vote in person, you can use the proxy form attached to the budget/slate of Directors sent to you to register your vote by including it with your check for dues.

FAREWELL TO PAT COX AND CYNTHIA GREENWALD, AND WELCOME

Debbie Mills, a neighbor on Bridlebrook, has graciously agreed to serve on your HOA Board. Pat Cox has served for over three years and helped with numerous community problems, thanks to her military and surveying background. With a daughter getting married in the spring, it is time for her to step down. On behalf of the Board and all her neighbors, we say THANK YOU!!

Additionally, Cynthia Greenwald, also of Bridlebrook, has devoted years to typing our newsletter and making it look so professional. However, with a recent promotion at work and a very busy church schedule, we are blessed to have another Bridlebrook neighbor, Betty Spangler, step into Cynthia's shoes and take over this newsletter!

Your neighbors care about this community, and it makes life here that much nicer.

YARDS OF THE MONTH



Bravo to all of our garden and yard people who keep your front yards so well manicured and colorful. You make our community look so fine!!

The last winners for this year were:

Leniham home at 380 C for June Virheuz home at 1251 B for July Hesse home at 336 C for August Gumula home at 1394 B for September

As the cool weather sets in, we can all stop mowing and weeding every week. Now it's leaf raking time and protecting the plants from freezes (Am I dreaming??)

NO FISHING IN OUR RETENTION POND AND WE MEAN IT !!!



The POA went through a lot of trouble and expense to place grass-eating karp in all the waterways in Deer Run, and that's why the signs are posted for "NO FISHING" ... this includes those of you who live around the pond. The sheriff's office has a letter on file requiring them to ask people to leave if called, so please help us to protect the karp and keep our pond clean and litter free.

WATCH FOR SANTA COMING TO THE TERRACES!!

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17th

As the sun sets, and the sirens start to blast, red lights begin flashing, COME OUT OF YOUR HOUSE TO GREET SANTA !!! Every year Santa stops at 1300 - 1304 Bridlebrook to listen to children's pleas for special gifts, pose for pictures and then go on his way back to the north pole.

Your HOA hosts his visit, Station 27 Firefighters take him around Copperstone and Bridlebrook before returning him to 1300-04 for his annual visit. A table of homemade cookies, hot chocolate and hot apple cider will await all neighbors who come out for this annual event.

HOLIDAY LIGHT DISPLAY JUDGING DECEMBER 20th

With the world being as it is, many of us will find this year's Hanukah and Christmas not as joyous as years past.



Still, we can give each other great pleasure by decorating inside and outside our homes to bring some cheer to one and all.

Each year, this favorite time begins as soon as Thanksgiving is over holiday red ribboned wreaths are hung at our entrance ways, announcing the December holiday season has begun. (We won't even talk about the stores starting this event after Halloween!!)

So.... string your lights on bushes and trees in your front yard, decorate your front door, roof and mailbox so that all of us can take evening strolls and rejoice in the sparkling and colorful once-a-year displays.

As soon as it's dark, your HOA judges will come around and select 6 prize winners, with the top 3 having our award signs placed in their front yards until the end of the year. (Past winners aren't eligible for these awards—we KNOW how beautiful your yards always look!!).

THE 'BEST NEIGHBORS' OF THE TERRACES



We asked in our last newsletter for help or our Board, and we got it!! There are unsung heroes here that help your HOA year in and year out, and I thought you should know their names because, if you are their neighbor, you just might want to add your personal thanks to ours!!

Melissa Gazaway, Marti Ryals, Natalie Amento, and Geri Williams meet ten months out of the year at the Pinetree Village Clubhouse to run your HOA; solving problems, approving funds for wall upkeep, "Yard of the Month" awards, December holiday celebrations, annual garage sale activities, neighbors' complaints, etc.

Jackie of Bridlebrook, Susan and Ruth of Copperstone, delivery your newsletter four times a year. Tim, also on Bridlebrook, is one of the Sunshine Club volunteers who help this Board when needed to repair lights, etc.

We are all blessed that out of 163 homes here, these good people care enough to help your Board and your neighbors.