OUR RETENTION POND IS DRIED UP (AGAIN)

In the last 25 years, it has happened twice before ... all of the weed-eating Karp the POA paid big money to put in the ponds throughout Deer Run, are now gone... giving the Herons a grand feast. Those of us with wells are praying for much needed rain, and can only hope the aquifer doesn't get too low. What crazy weather !!

Remember water restrictions are still in place -- Gardens can be watered by hand more often.

Seminole County Government - Environmental Services



"You can survive 3 weeks without food but only 3 days without water. The high quality groundwater that provides our drinking water is one of our most valuable natural resources. The population of Seminole County continues to grow rapidly, and we may not be able to continue using water the way we do now without creating environmental and financial impacts."

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME SCHEDULE

Thursday and Sunday - Even House #'s Wednesday and Saturday - Odd House #'s Tuesday and Friday - Non-Residential (businesses)

STANDARD TIME SCHEDULE (cooler weather months November-March)

Sunday - Even House #'s Saturday - Odd House #'s Tuesday - Non-Residential (businesses)

Reclaimed water customers may irrigate two (2) days a week year round according to the Daylight Savings time schedule

• No watering between 10:00am and 4:00pm on ANY day of the week.

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!

TO:

VIEW FROM THE TERRACES

Board of Directors:

Melissa Gazaway Sarah Cady Debbie Mills Marti Ryals Geri Williams

Scheduled Meetings:

7:30 p.m. at Pinetree Village
Clubhouse
June 13th
July - No Meeting
August - No Meeting
September 12th
October 10th

June, 2012



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

<u>Website Address:</u> <u>www.theterracesatdeerrun.com</u> **E-mail Address for Problems:** contact@theterracesatdeerrun.com

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

With summer rapidly approaching, I want to remind everyone that the Board does not meet in July and August. If anyone is planning to paint or make structural changes to their home, they must have Board approval. Please submit requests before our June meeting. Hopefully the rainy season actually brings some rain. Keep yards mowed and clean.

We only have one more meeting before summer break, so if anyone has any Board business, please bring it to the next meeting - Wednesday, June 13th.

Here's wishing all a fun and happy summer vacation. May everyone who is traveling arrive to their destinations safely! Best wishes.

YARD OF THE MONTH AWARDS HAVE BEGUN AGAIN!!



April: Congratulations to the Greenwalds at 1256 Bridlebrook. Their yard is ALWAYS gorgeous, colorful, regularly mowed and edged. Well done!!

May: Also congratulations to the Ruiz family for their beautiful yard.

Even with the poor economy and little rain, our "green thumb" neighbors have been planting colorful flowers and shrubs, mowing and edging their front yards regularly, and there have been so many pretty yards, our judges

have had a really tough time choosing !! Four more awards to be handed out... so water when you can, mow and edge, and keep our neighborhoods looking good !! Congratulations to both homeowners.

Your Home Is Your Best Investment



YOUR HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION IS GOING ON VACATION – JULY and AUGUST

Your good neighbors who volunteer their time to maintain the deed restrictions for our 163 homes here in *The Terraces*, are taking a well-deserved two months off. So, if you have any concerns regarding restrictions, such as painting the exterior of your home a different color, new construction, etc., please go to our website at www.theterracesatdeerrun.com.

The website is monitored year round.

THE EASEMENT IS UNDER THREAT – AGAIN

Back in the late 90's, Progress Energy swooped into the backyards of 23 homes that share property with their high power lines, and decided to "bushhog" anything green that was growing. Your HOA went into action and started a public relations campaign to protect the natural environment on the south side of their easement, as it was not in any way affecting their poles.

After articles and cartoons in the local paper, and an environmental study done through the HOA, Progress Energy drew up guidelines to protect the backyards of our homes. At the same time, homeowners agreed not to plant within 100 feet of their poles while keeping the easement clear of debris.

We are currently negotiating to maintain this original agreement, even though the company is now claiming there are new Federal and State laws that may cause destruction of some of our backyards. Stay tuned !!!

THE RATS ARE ON THE MOVE -- AGAIN !!!



Back in the 80's when Mrs. Galloway owned the farm to the east of our community, before it became a gated community with dozens of homes, cows and horses grazed on the hills near our retention pond. We could watch the herd drifting into the barn each evening.

Sadly after her death, her children did not want to continue maintaining the farm. The land was sold, and when the house and barn were razed, the rats swarmed down through *The Terraces*. Ever since, neighbors have complained of huge rats scampering along fences, eating food left out for family pets, and going into garbage cans that are left uncovered.

If you have any fruit trees, please don't let the fruit stay on the ground once it has ripened. Please don't leave your garbage cans uncovered. Go to ACE Hardware and purchase rat poison to place around your yard. IF YOU HAVE CHILDREN OR PETS THAT OCCUPY THE SAME AREA, be very careful of the poison you use to protect your loved ones.

Let's all be proactive and not provide easy food sources for these critters.

TIME MARCHES ONAND WITH IT, SOMETIMES SADNESS

In the past year we have lost some longtime residents. Although we know such passings are part of life, it is still a loss, not only to the families but to neighbors who have known them for so long. We offer our sincere condolences to their families.

The economy is slowly improving, but still we feel sad for those who are in bankruptcy that had liens placed on their homes and for those out of work for months and even going into years. We have heard in several cases of neighbors and families helping out those in need, and we say "bless you" for caring.

GOOD NEIGHBORS MAKE OUR COMMUNITY THAT MUCH BETTER

With the 163 homes in *The Terraces*, most of us rarely hear about all of the good deeds so many of our neighbors do for each other. Since we have had several older people living alone, we know how grateful they are for neighbors who check up on them regularly, help them with yard work or small repairs. One neighbor living near the retention pond goes out of his way to protect the area by replacing vandalized signs and offers the HOA help whenever he can. Thank you one and all !!!

Another neighbor learned that our HOA was in need of a FAX machine and provided one at no charge. Several men with carpenter and mechanical skills never fail to help neighbors with small problems around their homes.

The volunteers on your HOA Board are often taken for granted or fussed at, but many goodhearted neighbors go out their way to attend monthly meetings and praise their efforts. We are grateful for all of our volunteers.

If you know of a neighbor who does good deeds PLEASE drop a line to our website and let us give them a "pat on the back" and to say thank you!!