

#### **A Yellow Notice**

Don't panic, don't get angry .... Just know that the Violation Committee is doing its job keeping our Covenants ENFORCED! As the signs say at both entrances, "We are a DEED RESTRICTED Community," which is spelled out in your copy of the Covenants created by Ryland Homes back in 1984 when they constructed the Deer Run development.

There are 11 HOA's here in Deer Run, and they all abide by the same covenants. So, no one is picking on you..... If you get a notice, consider it a reminder to:



- ✓ Keep your front yard mowed
- ✓ Keep all garbage cans and building materials out of view of the road -- except on garbage pick-up dates





- ✓ Move all boats / trailers out of your driveway or out of the road after three days
- ✓ Etc, etc

As our property values grow again, each of us can help by keeping our homes painted and garage doors in good repair. The better we look, the more valuable our property becomes.

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The Terraces
Deer Run HOA 7A & 7B
P. 0. 516
Casselberry, FL 32718

Address correction requested

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

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### VIEW FROM THE TERRACES

**Board of Directors:** 

March, 2012

Melissa Gazaway Sarah Cady Debbie Mills Marti Ryals Geri Williams

Scheduled Meetings:

7:30 p.m. at Pinetree Village Clubhouse March 7<sup>th</sup> April 11<sup>th</sup> May 9<sup>th</sup>



Happy Spring

Association Address:

P.O. Box 516 Casselberry, FL 32718

Important Phone #'s:

Code Enfoncement:
(407) 665-1766

Commissioner Dollari:
(407) 665-7215

Seminole County Sheriff:
(407) 665-6650

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

Another new year has started, and spring is on the way. It will soon be time to do the winter pruning and spruce up the yards.

If anyone is painting their home, remember, all color changes require approval from the Board.

I invite all residents to come to the monthly meetings and welcome all suggestions to promote community spirit. Remember to keep an eye out for each other, and report ALL suspicious activity to the Sheriff's Department.

#### **Welcome Sarah Cady**

With Natalie Amento retiring from our Homeowners' Association Board, we are delighted to welcome Sarah Cady as our new Vice President. It's refreshing to have a new face on our Board. She and her husband, Justin, have worked hard on upgrading the exterior and grounds of their home, and bring a positive attitude to our community.

#### WERE YOU ONE OF THE LUCKY HOMEOWNERS WHO PAID YOUR ANNUAL DUES ON TIME?

The Board of Directors thanks each one of you for helping this community pay the POA's massive bill to us (as well as all other bills!). For those new to our neighborhood, your HOA pays for landscapers to keep the front area and retention area maintained, the community wall in good repair and painted, signage in good shape, electricity bills paid for front lights, "Yard of the Month" awards and holiday celebrations, as well as all secretarial costs for the unpleasant enforcement of liens and legal costs involved with taking uncooperative homeowners to mediator's court, etc., etc.

Thank each one of you who, in this difficult economy, were able to pay their yearly \$90.00 dues. We keep hoping to lower the dues, but as you must know, utility bills, legal costs and taxes continue to rise, but since each of us on the volunteer Board pay the dues as well, we will keep trying to reduce it when we can!!

# COME SPRING ... COMES "YARD OF THE MONTH" AWARDS

Let's hope we've seen the last of the bone-chilling weather. Brown lawns and dead plants look so bad; and if you are one of those who love to work in your yard, it's time to start cutting back the dead branches, thatch the yard, lay down fertilizer, and start watering (ON THE LIMITED SCHEDULE of twice a week). In addition, take a look at your front door, walkway and mailbox ... is there a black mildew covering?? A rubbing of bleach will bring it all back to new!!!

April will be the first "YARD OF THE MONTH" award – A \$25.00 gift certificate to Lowes!!! So start your mower, weed-eaters, edgers, and plant yourself some colorful flowers. This will not only make your home attractive, but will help all of us who live here, enjoy going by your house.

#### **Helping the Less Fortunate**

"Hard Times Generation: Families Living in Cars"

(Aired: November 27, 2011 -- 12:45 PM)

Scott Pelley brings "**60 Minutes**" cameras to Central Florida to document another form of family homelessness.....kids and their parents forced to live in cars.





**Quote**: "My daughter knows two different children in these recent videos. I live in Sanford and I see the Metzger family truck every day but I never knew that they were living in their truck. I would really like to help."

A neighbor remarked that he was shocked to see the CBS report on "60 Minutes" that so many children here in Seminole County were living in homeless shelters and in their parents' vehicles! Your Board is only too aware how this economy has affected our neighbors. There have been over a dozen abandoned houses in The Terraces, people declaring bankruptcies, and children going to school early to eat a free breakfast at school. We can only hope that the latest reports are true that our country is on its way back!!

#### Turn Off the TV and Drag Yourself Away From the Internet

Have you noticed teens and young adults walking around texting... <u>never looking up at people or anything around them?</u> Have you become more anxious to get to your PC then talk to your family? Is your world restricted to what you can "Google" or see on "Facebook"?







Have you given any thought to your isolation in this hi-tech world? There is a wonderful world around us here in Central Florida for young adults and families to enjoy. Yes, it means you have to get into the car and plan time to actually go to these places, and even turn off the cell phone. But, interacting with other human beings, sharing your knowledge with your children, functioning as part of society.... Isn't that HUMAN????

Some places to enjoy...

- > Seminole County maintains wildlife parks right around us where you can go and actually ENJOY nature, animals, and views. When was the last time you went on a picnic?
- The Morse Museum in Winter Park. The world's most comprehensive collection of works by Louis Comfort Tiffany (1848–1933) is housed at The Charles Hosmer Morse Museum of American Art. The collection includes jewelry, pottery, paintings, art glass, leaded-glass windows and lamps. The chapel interior was designed for the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago. Free parking and under \$5.00 admission for adults.
- ➤ Harry P. Leu Gardens in Orlando is a 50-acre Botanical oasis of formal rose gardens, a bamboo forest, tropical lush walkways with orchids, and an 1888 home to tour... all just minutes from downtown Orlando.
- The Menello Museum, opposite the Orlando Museum offers a diverse collection of paintings and sculptures, as well as a beautiful environment to engulf the senses. At the heart of the Museum's showcase is an outstanding collection of paintings by Earl Cunningham (1893-1977). Have a docent tour tell you about all you see. Culture never hurt anyone! Cost \$4 --- \$3 for seniors.
- > Orlando Science Center on Princeton in Orlando. Truly one of the great activities for Orlando families is the Science Center. It encourages learning and offers fun, all under one roof.
- Main Street in Sanford with a marvelous art gallery of local artists. It doesn't cost a thing to walk in and out of shops. Grab a bite at a local restaurant, walk along their Riverwalk and see all the yachts and boats. Go fishing.... It's free!!
- Mt. Dora is a charming historic village in the heart of Central Florida. It offers a wide array of shopping, dining, lodging, activities, pampering and entertainment... or antiquing and afternoon tea at the Windsor Room Restaurant on 4th... there's something for every taste. .. Not to miss for older adults!!
- Scenic Boat Tour, 312 East Morse Blvd, Winter Park. A narrated, one-hour cruise through beautiful lakes and canals of historic Winter Park. See Rollins College, Kraft Azalea Gardens, tropical birds, plants, flowers and magnificent mansions.