SELVALAKES

Homeowners' Association

## Around the Neighborhood . . .

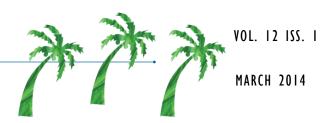
FINALLY! It's been a long, cold & miserable winter "around the neighborhood." I realize some of our residents really enjoy the cold (my wife Marion is one), but I'd rather be hot & sweaty than cold & shivering. At any rate, it looks like we've seen the worst of the cold weather & now our lawns & gardens have a chance to recover.

Our IT representative, B. J. Viers, has updated the Selva Lakes web site & everyone will be able to keep up with the Board minutes, announcements, newsletters & important documents such as our Covenants & Restrictions, our Amendments to the C&R's, as well as ARC request forms/ARC specifications. The web site is *www.selvalakes.com* so please log on & check out the "new look."

The ARC Committee completed a walk through of the neighborhood on Saturday, March 8, & made note of a few violations that need to be addressed soon now that spring is here. They have not addressed any lawn maintenance problems since we had such a difficult winter so please be proactive with your lawn so that we can get our neighborhood back to looking good as soon as possible.

Speaking of ARC, please remember that any work done on the exterior of all our houses MUST HAVE PRIOR WRITTEN APPROVAL OF THE ARC COMMITTEE &/OR THE BOARD. We don't want to have to tell anyone that the work does not meet C&R specifications & must be re-done. Also, please send any ARC requests to our ARC email address at *arcsla@gmail.com* or directly to me at *waltersj1941@gmail.com*. And please note that although we try to accommodate you with quick turnarounds we do have 30 days, if needed, to respond to your requests. Please be as specific as possible in your requests so that we don't make the process longer by having to ask for the specifics.

On several occasions at Parkside Drive & Selva Lakes Circle, I have observed cars that don't stop or even slow down as they turn onto Parkside. The stop signs in our neighborhood are there to make sure all of our residents are safe, so please observe the traffic laws in our neighborhood – this



includes the 20 mph speed all throughout Selva Lakes. And please make sure you stop at the intersection of Parkside & Plaza & watch for pedestrians & bicycle riders. We certainly don't want to get anyone hurt because of our carelessness.

Our monthly Board meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in the pool area. If for any reason we have to change the date, we'll make sure the change is noted on the web site. All owners are welcome to attend & if anyone has an agenda item, you can email me & I'll include it. I need to have the information by the Wednesday prior to our meeting so I can make sure it gets on the agenda.

We have several residents serving on a committee looking into the possibility of allowing residents to use pavers on driveways & walkways. They are researching topics including city permits needed (if any), samples in other neighborhoods, materials & colors to be approved & the overall impact these would have on our community. We'll keep everyone posted as to the outcome.

Last but not least, we wish everyone a belated "Happy New Year!" & continue to thank you for being such good neighbors.

Jerry

## THE GREAT OUTDOORS



As our gloomy weather begins to fade. many residents are peeking out their doors to see if it's worth dealing with their lawns & gardens yet. Knowing

when, what, & where to begin cleaning up & planting can save lots of money & frustration. The UF extension service newsletter is a good place to begin planning your "attack."

http://duval.ifas.ufl.edu/documents/nleafMarchApril2 014.pdf

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Since you asked ... The newsletter received this email recently from homeowner Barbara Drtina (904-655-5754): "I personally know Mike Alton who owns *Competition Doors* from Lifevantage & he is a great guy. One night I went out to the parking lot after a meeting at a hotel & had a flat tire. He fixed it for me. My home in Selva Lakes is being rented & I have moved out of the area. One Wednesday my tenant called me & said the garage door was

broken & that her car was in the garage. I was out of town on a business trip & didn't have my household records with me. Then I remem-bered *Competition Doors* from a networking group. They responded the same day & did a wonderful job & it was fairly priced. *Competition Doors* did a fantastic job for me. The company has service personnel that are trustworthy, experienced & reasonably priced. I highly recommend *Competition Doors* for all your door needs. 904-724-3636. Ask for Mike Alton & tell him that Barbara referred you!"

## ARC REQUIREMENTS

The Selva Lakes Homeowners' Association attorney urges all homeowners to pay special attention to the requirement concerning Architectural Review committee (ARC) approval.

Prior to doing any exterior work on one's home, a homeowner should have an Architectural Review form completed & approved.

This includes painting, roofing, garage door replacement, & fencing. Forms are available on our Internet site. Lacking electronic access, phone current president Jerry Walters. The Selva Lakes Homeowners' Association is concerned with preserving & maintaining the quality of life in the Selva Lakes community. Our neighborhood is a source of pride for our homeowners, & has been & will continue to be a valuable financial asset, as well.

The association's board provides oversight for the maintenance of the codes & restrictions agreed to by homeowners, & cooperates with the city of Atlantic Beach in matters pertaining to the neighborhood.

The Selva Lakes Homeowners' Association collects quarterly dues from homeowners through South Beach Tax & Financial Services. The quarterly newsletter is mailed with the homeowner's dues statement.



