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Homeowners' Association

Around the Neighborhood . . .

It's been a really **hot** summer & hopefully the weather has begun to cool down. As we know from experience, we can't "count our chickens" too soon – but let's hope!

The most pressing item for this newsletter is that we are fast approaching our Annual Meeting of the owners & each of you will be receiving voting ballots/documents very shortly through the mail. Detailed instructions will accompany them to make sure each owner is provided with the opportunity to vote & have his or her voice heard. Anyone needing additional information about the election process may check our website. An item of interest is the fact that we are in the process of revitalizing our Covenants & Restrictions due to the fact that C&R's have a life of 30 years & our 30 years are coming to a close. Notice of this will be included in the documents you'll receive. And the Board members strongly encourage all owners to physically attend the Annual Meeting to be held at 7:00 PM on November 13, 2014, at the Adele Grage Center in Atlantic Beach.

Please use the pool area parking spots for pool use only since we've had some issues with no parking spots for people using the pool. We are in the process of securing restriction signage for the parking area there & violators will be subject to towing at their expense. Also please read carefully the detailed article on this page concerning parking. And smokers, please use the ashtrays located on or behind the counter area. The pool deck & area around the pool should be kept free of ashes & cigarette butts, in the interest of others.

Another reminder about the ARC process: If you should receive a letter from the ARC re: a violation of the C&R's, you **must** respond within 30 days concerning your plan to correct the issue, as well as the approximate date of completion.



Failure to respond may result in a 2nd letter, after which the owner may be subject to legal action. The key is to **respond**. If we don't hear from you, we can't determine your plan of action.

The Board hopes each of you have had a great summer & we look forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting on November 11 at 7:00PM. Thanks for being great neighbors & making Selva Lakes a wonderful place to live!

Jerry



PARK MUCH?

If you're a homeowner who has installed a sprinkler system in your yard, you may appreciate this reminder to all residents & guests: please

be aware that parking is not allowed on the grass of our common areas. Damage to the grass is one reason, but perhaps most important is damage to sprinkler heads. The association installs & maintains the sprinkler system, using your dues money, so every time someone crushes a sprinkler head under his or her car tire, it's money out of all of our pockets. This holds true for golf carts as well as for cars. The same care should be shown by any workmen who park vehicles briefly near curbs. A reminder that sprinkler heads are at risk would be appreciated by neighbors. One of the characteristics that adds value to our homes is the attractive landscaping that we maintain. Please help by observing the regulation that says "no parking on common areas."



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It's turtles all the way down . . . Or it seems that way, if you've noticed the critters in our lakes who love be fed by anyone with a handful of breadcrumbs. Selva Lakes has a variety. One that gets lots of attention is the softshell, which has a pencil eraser-shaped nose. Florida has its cooters & box turtles & snapping turtles, as well, so if you want a pleasant way to spend some time, sit by our lakes with some turtle treats & your camera. The website below provides a guide to the ones you'll see.

.https://www.flmnh.ufl.edu/herpetology/florida-amphibians-reptiles/turtles/

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.



