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Women's Alliance Prepares RITA Gift Baskets

On July 9, the Deercreek Women's Alliance ladies were all in pink and having a great time putting together the gift baskets for RITA (Research is the Answer.) The baskets were auctioned off at RITA's Black Tie Gala on July 25.

Each basket was unique and everyone wandered around to see what the others had brought. By the end of the night, the Governor's Room table was filled with colorful baskets, all beautifully wrapped and ribboned. The Alliance also presented Nancy Jantz, RITA founder and Deercreek resident, with a check for \$1550 to help in the research of breast cancer in Jacksonville. We all went home feeling that we had done something to help – and got to chat for 2 hours while doing it!



Patty Tomka presents Nancy Jantz with a check for RITA.



Sandy Turner, Mary Stelbrink and Donna Robinson admire a basket.

Full Slate Ahead for Alliance

Our next project is the community-wide Food Drive from August 17 to 31 to benefit the Lutheran Social Service Second Harvest Food Bank. We asked them when they had the greatest need for food and they said that by August they had used up all the stock from the big Thanksgiving push and the Mailman's food drive at Mother's Day. We'll have bins at the guard gate and Donna Bernard's house – 9907 Vineyard Lake Lane – so please remember to drop something off before you go on vacation. They need non-perishable foods in unopened packages, with no glass containers. It's hard to imagine the needs of these people, as so many of us are trying to lose weight and not eat all of the wonderful things in our pantries. Please do what you can to help LSS serve those facing huge problems in their daily lives.

On September 3, we are going off-site for a private cooking demonstration, followed by eating all the food demonstrated, at Apron's Cooking School located in the Publix on San Jose Blvd in Mandarin. We've asked their chefs to prepare selections of regional foods from across the country as a treat to those who have relocated. The cost will be \$40 each

and that includes 4 courses with wine to go complement each course. Several of us have done this before and had a wonderful time. Elizabeth Curtin will need your check by August 13. Call her at 519-7937 or drop it off at her house – 9990 Vineyard Lake Road.

September 26 is the date for our Yard Sale being held at the Watson-NEFAR parking lot. If you plan to have a booth, please call Carol D'Onofrio to reserve your space (519-0924). Each booth is \$25. This is open to outside

vendors, so tell your family and friends that they can join us and get a bigger crowd than if they have a sale at home. On the day of the sale help will be needed for traffic control, to man the Alliance booth, and for clean up. Even if you are not participating as a seller, your help will be greatly appreciated. And we always need shoppers!

Then, we go on to our newest, most exciting project of the year. We are furnishing a

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AUGUST EVENTS

DCCOA

August 6, Thursday
7PM – ARB

August 12, Wednesday
6PM – Access Control
7PM – Common Property

August 19, Wednesday
7PM – Communications
Committee

August 20, Thursday
6:15PM – Covenants
Enforcement

August 27, Thursday

7PM – Board of Directors

Finance meets the week before
the DCCOA Board meeting.
Contact chairperson

EDGEWATER

August 20, Thursday

7PM – HOA Board

COMMUNITY

August 17, Monday

10AM – Literary Circle meets to
discuss Peter Godwin's "When
a Crocodile Eats the Sun."

August 27, Thursday

11:30 AM – Home & Garden
Acorn Award Luncheon





DCCOA

Board of Directors

Danny Becton 519-1276
President danny@thebectons.us
CPAC

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Vice President dougklippel@aol.com
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Common Property creeksideinv@hotmail.com

Ron Peace 519-7993
Covenants Enforcement jrpeace@bellsouth.net

Rosemary Tutt 519-7919
Communications rtutt@flagler.edu

May Management

Bernard Vargas Vila 273-9832
Property Manager bvargas@mayresort.com

The board meets at 7 PM on the fourth Thursday of each month at Deercreek Country Club. Deercreek residents are welcome at all board and committee meetings.



Edgewater HOA

Board of Directors

Dan Ciez 519-9824
President dciez@bellsouth.net

Ron Widlak 519-9726
Secretary basinji@bellsouth.net

Raymond Saliba 519-6619
Treasurer salibaeng@bellsouth.net

The board meets at 7 PM on the third Thursday of each month at the Ciez's home at 7741 Watermark Lane South. Edgewater residents are welcome at all board and committee meetings.

July Board Meeting Highlights

The Board Meeting of June 25 was called to order by Danny Becton, President. All board members were present except Rosemary Tutt and George Partin. Bernard Vargas Vila, Property Manager, was also present. A quorum was established and the May minutes were approved unanimously.

PROPERTY MANAGER'S REPORT

Bernard Vargas Vila:

- It was recommended and approved to send seven properties to the Covenants Enforcement Committee for hearings.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Committee — Judd Schwartz, Liaison

- Committee has vacant chair position. New members are needed.
- Committee reported on an electrical audit performed by JEA per the request of the DCCOA. It is estimated that DCCOA will be approximately \$5,000 over budget in electricity this year. The largest users of electricity are: the entrance lights, streetlights, fountains and the fountain lights. The board recommended that the Common Property Committee make sure that the entrance pumps and lights are on a working timer and that the pumps are turned off at 1:00 a.m. and turned back on at 7:00 a.m.
- It was reported that the final discussions with the city in regards to the DCCOA COJ Storm water Management Fees have resulted in the Association being responsible for payment each year of the following areas: The playground – approximately \$66; The JEA easement – approximately \$433; The JEA entrance road – approximately \$73.50. The Association currently owes for 2008 and 2009 in the amount of approximately \$857. These fees are new expenses to the DCCOA budget.
- The 11 acres known as the Spanner Road property that was acquired from GSW several years ago is in arrears for unpaid property taxes from 2005 in the amount of approximately \$732.62. When the property was conveyed to the DCCOA, unbeknownst to the Board, taxes were not paid for the prior year. The Board voted to pay the delinquent tax. This property is now incorporated into our common property area and is excluded from future tax liability.
- May 31st Financials include, To date:
 - Revenue: \$334,800
 - Expenses: \$324,605
 - Balance: \$ 10,195
 - Current projected year-end balance with prior year carryover: \$3,207
- Reserve "projected" year-end balance: \$154,638.

Access Control — Doug Klippel, Liaison

- Committee continues to seek new members. Please consider joining this very important committee who meets once a month on the second Wednesday of each month at 6pm at the Deercreek Country Club. Interested individuals should contact: Tommy Walter @ 519-0660 or tjwalter@bellsouth.net.

Architectural Review Board— Joe Cernigliaro, Liaison

- Improvements that meet the pre-approved guidelines may now be approved by MAY Management, with a copy of the approved submission to be retained. Normal procedures will be followed in notifying the homeowner that the application has been approved. This measure was approved in hopes of reducing ARC expenses.
- Committee continues to seek new members. Please consider joining this very important committee that meets once a month on the first Thursday of each month at 7pm at the Deercreek Country Club. Interested individuals should contact: Skip Yauger @

363-2809 or ryauger@bellsouth.net.

Covenants Enforcement— Ron Peace, Liaison

- The board approved new member Stannye Baringer.
- The committee is continuing to seek new members. Please consider joining this very important committee that meets once a month on the third Thursday of each month at 6:15pm at the Deercreek Country Club ladies card room. Interested individuals should contact: Frank Albanese @ 519-6562 or fpsouth43@comcast.net.

Common Property— George Partin, Liaison

- The board voted down the Common Property Committee's recommendation to pay \$2,000 in part with the Deercreek Country Club for the cleaning of the storm drain system at the playground and tennis court area. The total expense for the DCC was anticipated to be in the amount of \$6,800. This decision was based on several factors: (i) last two years cleaning was performed totally by DCCOA with no funding by DCC, (ii) the DCC is totally responsible for the continued problem based on Golf Course Maintenance procedures that continued to be the problem. (iii) the storm drain system is on DCC property.

Communications— Rosemary Tutt, Liaison

- The July and August newsletters will be available on the DCCOA website.
- Committee is actively seeking new members. Please consider joining this very important committee that meets bi-monthly on the third Wednesday at 7pm at the Deercreek Country Club. Interested individuals should contact: Rosemary Tutt @ 519-7919 or rosemarytutt@aol.com.
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Legal — Carol D'Onofrio, Liaison

- Board continues to pursue delinquent residential properties that are accruing unpaid assessments and fines in excess of \$59,735.

CPAC — Danny Becton, Liaison

- Next Meetings August 24th and September 28th at St. Luke's Hospital, Auditorium C. Everyone is welcome to attend.

OLD BUSINESS

- Ad-Hoc Committee on Fines for ARC and Covenant Work Rules Infractions – Committee reported on progress of processes and fines for dealing with residents that violate the community's covenant policies pertaining to contractor hours and work performed outside of ARC requirements. The current proposal is as follows: if a violation is observed by patrol or if a complaint is received at the gate from resident – the officer will prepare a written report including a description of what they observed and when, (ii) they will inform May Management of the violation and send a copy of the report, and (iii) the gate guard will telephone the resident and remind them of the hours of work and the rules. May Management would then (i) 1st violation – written warning; and (ii) escalating fee structure for each violation thereafter. It is anticipated that the DCCOA board will review this new procedure and fine schedule in July.

NEW BUSINESS

- Danny Becton updated the Board on the 2009 Phase II Road Paving Project which involves the micro-surfacing and asphalt repair work for the community. The micro-surfacing bid has been received and was as expected. The road repair work estimate is higher because of road deterioration that was more rapid than expected. Excessive rain in June crated the need for additional repairs. The application for the cul-de-sacs is being reviewed to determine which material will be best suited for long-term durability. Phase II resurfacing is targeted to begin in November.



CONSIDER RUNNING FOR THE DCCOA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The terms of three DCCOA Board members will expire this year, leaving vacancies that must be filled. Please do your part to maintain our community standards by considering running for the Board, or encouraging a neighbor to run.

The Board consists of nine members. Three of these nine positions will reach the end of their three-year terms, and replacements will be elected at the DCCOA annual meeting in December.

If elected, you will serve a three-year term. Your duties will include attending the monthly association meetings, and an occasional special meeting. Most members also

serve as liaisons to standing committees of the association and attend those meetings. In addition, members may be asked to serve on special projects.

Resumes are needed by October 1, so that ballots, resumes and proxies can be mailed out in early November, and profiles can be included in the November newsletter. If you are considering running for the DCCOA Board, please prepare a brief personal statement with your background and qualifications, and reasons for wanting to run. For more information contact Danny Becton, danny@thebectons.us, 519-1276, or any Board member.



DCCOA Committees

Access Control

Chair: Tommy Walter 519-0660
tjwalter@bellsouth.net

Board Liaison: Doug Klippel
Members: Mike Graves, Bunny George, Jeannie Harlan, John McIlvaine, Faris Monsour, Shoab Rana

MEETINGS: Second Wednesday of each month at 6 PM

Architectural Review Board

Chair: Skip Yauger 363-2809
ryauger@bellsouth.net

Board Liaison: Joseph Cernigliaro
Secretary: Tobe Budner 285-2519
(May Management) Tbudner@mayresort.com

Members: Floyd Campbell, Buck Eng, Kent Smith
MEETINGS: First Thursday of each month at 7 PM at the club

Covenants Enforcement

Chair: Frank Albanese 519-6562
fpsouth54@comcast.net

Co-Chair: Frank Tuenge 519-5040
ftuenge@bellsouth.net

Board Liaison: Ron Peace
Members: Stannye Baringer, Douglas Harlan, Ted Jackson, John Robinson
MEETINGS: Third Thursday of each month at 6:15 PM in the ladies' card room at the club

Common Property

Chair: Jim McKinney 519-2171
jimmckin@comcast.net

Board Liaison: George Partin
Members: Paul Davidson, Chuck Jantz, Charlotte Johnson, Sandy Montgomery, Dave Noble, Jim Register, Mary Stelbrink, Joe Williams
MEETINGS: Second Wednesday of each month at 7PM at the club

Communications

Chair: Vacant

Board Liaison: Rosemary Tutt
Newsletter Editors:
Laurie Bacalis 363-6316
lpbacalis@bellsouth.net

Jan Thompson 466-8650
janthompson@watsonrealtycorp.com

Members: Jill Cole, Jill Mountan, Marie Smith
MEETINGS: Third Wednesday of every other month at 7 PM at the club

Finance

Chair: Vacant

Board Liaison: Judd Schwartz
Members: Merrick Bayer, Walt Beissinger, John Joyce, Mike Tanner, John Tomka
MEETINGS: Monthly, usually the week before the board meeting

Citizens Planning Advisory Committee (CPAC)

Representative: Danny Becton 519-1276
danny@thebectons.us

Alternate

Representative: Ted Jackson 608-8670
trj2002@bellsouth.net

Legal / Ad Hoc

Club Liaison: Carol D'Onofrio 519-0924
donofrio12@aol.com

★ HELP WANTED ★

The DCCOA has several openings for enthusiastic community members to serve as committee members.

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY.

COMPENSATION: Community pride, camaraderie, long-term increased property values.

VACANT POSITIONS

Finance Committee Chair and Committee Members

Meets the week before the DCCOA Board Meeting, which is held the 2nd Wednesday of every month.

Contact Judd Schwartz, 716-5633 or schwarzjudd@comcast.net

Access Control Committee Members

Meets 2nd Wednesday of every month, 6PM

Contact: Tommy Walter @ 519-0660 or tjwalter@bellsouth.net.

Architectural Review Board Committee Members

Meets 1st Thursday of every month, 7PM

Contact: Skip Yauger @ 363-2809 or ryauger@bellsouth.net

Covenants Enforcement Committee Members

Meets 3rd Thursday of every month, 6:15PM

Contact: Frank Albanese @ 519-6562 or fpsouth43@comcast.net.

Communications Committee Chair and Committee Members

Meets 3rd Wednesday of every other month, 7PM

Contact: Rosemary Tutt @ 519-7919 or rosemarytutt@aol.com.



Notes

Yard Sale in September

Don't forget to reserve your space at the Deercreek Yard Sale, Saturday, September 26, 9AM to 1PM in the Watson Realty parking lot. Booth space is the equivalent of two parking spaces, at a cost of \$25. Deadline to reserve space is September 19, so reserve your space today by mailing your check to Carol D'Oofrio, 7938 McLaurin Road N., Jacksonville, FL 32256. (Rain date is Saturday, October 3.)

Please Give Us Your Feedback

The newsletters for July and August were available almost exclusively on-line, with a limited printing of 100 made available at the Clubhouse. By not printing and mailing to all residents, the DCCOA will save nearly \$1,000 per month. The Communications Committee would like to hear your thoughts on this new procedure, good, bad or indifferent. Please e-mail your comments or any suggestions to Jan Thompson, janthompson@watsonrealtycorp.com.

Owners Association Collecting E-Mail Addresses

You may have already received a call from a Communications Committee member, asking if you would like for the DCCOA to keep your e-mail address on file for emergency communications. This is, of course, strictly voluntary, and is being offered as a service to residents. If you would like to provide your e-mail address and haven't already done so, please send it to Marie Smith, kemabeam@bellsouth.net.

School's Out – Do You Know

What Your Children are Up To?

A reminder to parents during the long, hot days of summer: Please keep track of your children, especially if they have access to BB guns, golf carts, or anything else that they shouldn't be using while unsupervised.

Deercreek Country Club Owners' Association May Management Services

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Full Slate Ahead for Alliance

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studio apartment in the brand new Touchstone Village. So all of you who regularly watch the design shows on TV will have an outlet for your creativity! The Youth Crisis Center is constructing a three building complex to house and educate kids who have no family support system or are aging out of the foster care system, yet don't have the life skills to go out on their own. We've toured the facility and it is wonderful. They needed so much to get started that we had to narrow the options to something the Alliance could afford. Our project will be to furnish one of the 20 studio apartments offered to students onsite. We have asked for a girl's room and will get a list of her color choices and some idea of what she likes. Then we can either shop in our houses for unused (or gently used) items or shop the back-to-school sales for the things she needs. We'll send out a detailed wish list as soon as we have the information.

Since the Village has a grand opening scheduled for October 3,

we will need to get our things together by the middle of September so that we can buy whatever else we need and get it installed. The basic furniture will be provided but we need to put together a small kitchen, bathroom, bedroom and living area so that it looks like a home and not a dorm room. Bonnie Solloway (519-8823) is our leader for this one and we'll set a date to bring all our 'housewarming gifts' to her house – and maybe have a little design workshop. And if we get enough donations from the neighborhood, maybe we could ask for another apartment to do! If some of you want to go on your own to do an apartment, they would be thrilled.

Those are the projects 'in the works' right now. But there is always something going on in the Alliance. Please put us on your calendars and come out to be part of the team trying to make a difference in our little corner of the world. For information on membership call Mary Tenuta at 519-8191. If you're new and don't know where to get plugged in call Patty Tomka at 363-6086 or Elizabeth Curtin at 519-7937.

View additional photos of the Alliance Gift Basket project and RITA Gala at www.deercreekcc.com.

—Submitted by Patricia Tomka

August View Winner

John and Linda Robinson 9964 Chelsea Lake Road



There is plenty of color to be found in the exquisite garden of John and Linda Robinson's home at 9964 Chelsea Lake Road. Lining both sides of the beautiful brick paver driveway are Lantana, Zinnia, Vinca, Plumbago, and Bougainvillea. A gorgeous hanging pot of New Guinea Impatiens lies under the shade of a Ligustrum. Accentuating the landscape is a Canary Island Date Palm, a Robellini Palm and a New Queen Palm.

—Submitted by Dena Pulley

