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Compliance Chit Chat Deed Restriction Reminders

A lot of homes have had to put up storm shutters during a hurricane threat. But did you know that the deed restrictions specify that storm shutters are only allowed during the period of time of a storm likely to do damage to the house? There shall be no boarding up of houses while the homes are vacant for an extended period of time.

Many homeowners, instead of selling their home, have decided to rent their property.

According to our deed restrictions owners shall not rent their property for periods less than one year, and shall first have the proposed tenant approved in advance and in writing by the Board.

There is a rule that governs how many pets are allowed. The covenant says that the owner shall keep no more than two animals on any one lot without the prior written approval of the Board. In no event may any animal be kept

on the property for any commercial use or purpose. All pets must be kept under control at all times and must not become a nuisance by barking or other acts.

We would like to thank all the residents that maintain their properties according to the deed restrictions and covenants. Maintaining our home benefits all of us in preserving property values and keeping our community beautiful in a county atmosphere.

- The Board of Directors meets the 1st Wednesday of each month.
- The ARC meets every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month.

Keep Cool this Summer

While Keeping Bills Down With these Tips from FPL.

Summer has officially arrived, which means the outside temperature will only continue to rise. It is likely your air conditioner will need to work even harder to keep the temperature *inside* your home comfortable and cool. And since cooling a home takes more energy than anything else, it is not surprising that your bill is likely the higher during the

hottest summer months. In fact, air conditioning contributed to more than half of an average home's summer electric bill.

Florida Power & Light Company's "Top Tips to Save you Money" (see box below) may involve small adjustments to your daily habits, but they can make a difference to help you gain more control over your energy usage, help protect the

environment and keep your bill as low as possible.

FPL encourages its residential customers to go online and download its free summer toolkit at www.FPL.com/summertoolkit. There, you can learn the basics of energy consumption and access an online library that offers a wealth of energy conservation advice and information.

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FPL's Top Tips to Save you Money:

1. Set your thermostat at 78 degrees or higher with the fan set to "auto" to save money.
2. Install a programmable thermostat to adjust the temperature automatically and maximize your energy savings.
3. Upgrade to high efficiency lighting. Even if you replace one 60-watt incandescent bulb with an energy-saving compact fluorescent bulb, you could save up to \$60 over the lifespan of the bulb.
4. Clean your air filter each month to trim cooling costs and help your unit run more efficiently. If your HVAC unit is 10 years or older, it could be time for a replacement.
5. Turn off your ceiling fans when you leave the room. A fan that runs constantly can cost up to \$7 a month, depending on size and age.
6. Limit the time your run your pool pump to no more than six hours a day.

Slow Growing Trees Stand a Better Chance Against Hurricanes

The hurricanes of the past few years have taught us a lot about what trees will and will-not stand-up to hurricane force winds.

Native trees, particularly those with wide spreading branches, low centers of gravity, strong deep penetrating root systems, and small leaf size seem to hold up better in tropical storms especially if they are found growing in mixed groves of trees. Lone growing solitary specimens have less wind resistance than massed trees.

To prepare your trees for a category storm remove weak and diseased trees as well as any large trees within one hundred feet of your home or car. Prune and thin trees to give them a lower center of gravity and to lessen leaf mass. Sculpting a tree will allow wind resistance to

increase. Lightly fertilize annually and be sure that all trees are growing where their root zones are covered with good healthy soil. Watering during drought periods will allow the roots of the plants to maintain their turgor and their holding power. Plant trees in groves and add ample shrub mass to deflect wind upwards. This places what is called the "point of overturning pressure" farther from the root zone into the area of the tree with more flexibility. Remove non-native over story vegetation, keeping in mind that canopy trees in any community are composed of native trees that have withstood coastal storms in the past and will do so in the future.

New S.T.O.P.P.E.D. Teen Page 2 Driving Program Introduced

On behalf of the Brevard County Sheriff's Office, Brevard County Chiefs of Police, and the Florida Highway Patrol, Sheriff Jack Parker is proud to announce a new and innovative teen driving program in Brevard County proudly named S.T.O.P.P.E.D. (*Start Telling Our Parents & Promoting Educated Drivers*). This new program is aimed at reducing the number of youthful drivers involved in auto accidents through voluntary parental notification.

Participants will receive a decal to be placed on the outside of the driver's side rear window. Once displayed, if a law enforcement officer in Brevard County stops an enrolled vehicle, and the driver

is under 21, the parents will be notified by email or U.S. Mail and may be notified by the law enforcement officer conducting the traffic stop. The following information will be provided to the parents:

- **Date & time of traffic stop**
- **Driver's name & number of passengers**
- **Reason for the traffic stop**
- **Type of enforcement action taken**

Parents may register for the program by obtaining a registration form at any Police Department or any Brevard County Sheriff's Office Precinct, or by visiting our website www.BrevardSheriff.com and click on the green **S.T.O.P.P.E.D.** tab on the Home Page.

For questions, please contact Lori Chabot at (321) 264-5202.

Welcome to Windover

Lot 416 – Derek & Nora Schutte

The Board of Directors of Windover Farms wishes to take this opportunity to welcome you as a new property owner to the community of Windover Farms.

Information about Windover Farms, current events, clubs, permit applications and a quick reference of the Deed Restrictions is available on our web site. If you have questions please do not hesitate to contact Pat, our association manager, at 259-2216 or stop by the office located adjacent to the pavilion on Windover Way.

Board Meeting

The Regular board meeting was held on Wednesday, July 11th. All the directors were in attendance except Ron Hoar and Pat Widdowson.

The following item of new business that resulted in the specific decisions made during the meeting and in actions to be taken:

1. Pat S. will get estimates for a gate to be installed at the parking lot entrance to the pavilion.

Approved minutes are posted on the bulletin board. Board meetings are generally scheduled for the first Wednesday of each month and the exact date is posted on Notice board 48 hours prior to each meeting.

Mosquitoes Florida Wildlife Hospital

Did you know that there are more than 1500 species of mosquitoes? Or, that mosquitoes are members of the fly family? Or that only the female bites? There are at least 67 species of mosquitoes in Florida. Most of these are considered pests because of their biting and because they transmit such diseases as malaria, yellow fever, encephalitis, and heartworms (to dogs). If enough mosquitoes swarm and bite an animal, such as cows, they may kill it. Mosquitoes seem to be attracted to dark clothing, especially blue, and to certain perfumes.

Mosquitoes lay eggs in water, and the larvae swim and eat until they mature into adult mosquitoes. Some fish eat the

larvae and are important in the control of mosquitoes. To reduce the number of mosquitoes in your yard, empty all standing water in bowls, gutters, tires, planters, or other containers. If you must have standing water, stir it occasionally to disturb the larvae as they breathe and feed.

One species of mosquito, *Toxorhynchites rutilus*, does not bite, and it eats the larvae of other mosquitoes. They may prove to be helpful in eliminating harmful mosquitoes.



Classifieds

Babysitter? Tutor?

Call Kimmi at 751-0577, Loves Kids!!
CPR & Safe-Sitter Certified. 5 Years
Experience Babysitting.

Babysitters and Pet Sitters

Call Nicole (17yrs) or Kristin (15
yrs) at 255-0500. Experienced,
dependable, loving and
responsible. References available.

Babysitter – Call Abby, 255-0946.

CPR & Safe-Sitter certified.
Experienced and loves kids.

Pet Walker – will walk your dog for
you in Windover Farms. If interested,
please call Christian at 751-1407

WANTED

Men's 50+, Doubles Tennis at
Windover Farms Courts. If
interesting in playing, please call
253-1199, Jerry.

Lot for Sale: Lot #220, 1.347
acres, located on Turkey Point Rd.
This is the last northern flag lot on
Turkey Point before the brick pavers
west of Sparrow Hawk. Its western
border is protected wetlands. For
information call 242-7328.

FOR SALE

Brand new Oval Wrought Iron Table
with Glass Top – 60 X 42. Paid \$400,
selling price \$175. Call Carol at
757-9117.



Who's who in Windover Farms?

Board of Directors

President

Sharon Savastio –752-7913

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Bill Simon – 751-0625

Secretary

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Pat Widdowson – 426-9128



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Patty Rodriguez – 259-2216

Budget

Leslie McElhinney – 255-2666

Crime Watch

Jules and Judi Rutstein – 259-6499

Landscape

Cathy Simon – 751-0625

Children's Social Committee

Pete & Denise Kaiser – 254-4932

Important Numbers:

Florida Wildlife Hospital:
254-8843

Storm Water Utility Dept:
633-2014

www.brevstorm.org

Non-emergency Sheriff:
952-6371

Animal Control:
633-2024

Sheriff's Litter Hot line:
537-6801

City of Melbourne Utilities:
953-6216

Florida Wildlife:
866-392-4286

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