



The Deer Run Reporter

Winter Newsletter, January 2024



Attention Residents:

Are you interested in helping out your community? We're looking for a volunteer for the Cades Cove long -term pond project! Please send serious inquiries only to Carlene or Sarah at the Towne Properties office; contact info at the bottom of last page.

There is a reoccurring issue in our community regarding pet waste. If you have a furry loved one at home, please read carefully, and abide by all of the following:

- For the safety of <u>everyone</u>—yourself, residents, guests, visitors, and your pet—it is imperative your pet remain on a hand-held leash at all times when outside. Even the most well-behaved dog can become spooked and dart out into traffic, perceive danger when there is none, or become unruly when faced with unforeseen circumstances.
- It is of vital importance pet waste is picked up and removed <u>im-mediately</u>. Dog waste encourages mice, rats, and other rodents to inhabit and procreate in areas were feces is not properly disposed—which can quickly turn into health and safety issues. Pet waste must always be removed immediately, regardless if it is from around your own home *or* common areas—including islands and areas in the back.

Thank you for taking these issues seriously, as we like for everyone—including our furry friends—to be safe at Deer Run!

REMEMBER OUR SOUP'R CHILI BOWL COOK-OFF IS FAST APPROACHING!!

Join us at the Clubhouse, on February 4th, from 5PM to 7PM. If you would like to enter a soup or chili, please kindly arrive at 4:30PM!

If not competing, please bring a dessert or something to share, along with your own beverages.

RSVP ASAP at SocialCommittee@DeerRunCenterville.com

Please consider brining in non-perishable food items for our local food bank!



FINANCIALS

As of December 2023, our **Total Operating Funds** were at \$46,824.63 and **Total Reserve Funds** were at \$1,264,284.66.

THE BOARD

- Shirley Nixon, *President*
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The Hartcrest Drainage Project is halfway to twothirds way completed!

We would like to thank all of our residents on and/or around Hartcrest, who are impacted by this work. Thank you for your patience and understanding, as we continue to work through this mandatory project.

Presently, we are waiting until March to do a rough grade and seed.





BOXWOODS! BOXWOODS! BOXWOODS!

Out of all the landscaping requests we have, Boxwoods are certainly one of the most popular! While we don't have any outstanding news to report, please note an Arborist is currently working with the Landscaping Committee to come up with a thorough game plan to address all the Boxwood issues this Spring.

We would like to thank everyone impacted by dead and/or dying Boxwoods, in advance, for your patience and understanding, as we are aware this issue has been dragging for quite some time.

Like all services for the Association, prices have continued to go up, all around, so the extra time helps the Landscaping Committee and Board save money, by addressing multiple issues of the same problem all at once.

WINTER TREE WORK HAS BEEN COMPLETED!!

Please note stump grinding will take place later in the year, when the weather is more agreeable—but for now we have an amazing start!

CLUBHOUSE UPDATES:

- Any chair in need of repair has been fixed!
- New smoke alarms have been installed!
- New cleaners will start on March 4th!

There have been a few small items stolen from the Clubhouse, such as decorative pillows. Please be kind and courteous, and treat the Clubhouse as though it were an extension of your own home!

EMAIL NOTIFICATIONS:

The community notifications sent through Towne Properties via Community Café, will only reach residents who have provided their email address to Towne, and who have permitted emails to be sent to their in-box.

If you would like to double-check and see if your subscribed for email notices, you will need to log onto your account, at TowneProperties.com, click on your profile (the small middle icon the upper-right side of screen, between the folder icon and arrow), and ensure the box highlighted "Subscribe to email notifications" is clicked. If it previously was not clicked and you would like email notices, click on the box, and then click on the bottom of screen where it says "Update Settings".

Please note: you are the only person who has the ability to change anything on your profile. Towne Properties can help you reset your password if you have lost or forgotten your password.

If you are still having issues receiving community notices please make sure you have provided Towne with your current and most updated email address and/or check your spam/junk folder in your email, to see if notices are going there, instead of your in-box.







HEADING SOUTH FOR THE WINTER? DON'T FORGET TO WINTERIZE YOUR HOME!

A few helpful tips to keep in mind are:

- * Forward your mail, and ask someone you trust to regularly check on your home, and provide them with a spare key in case of emergencies.
- * Turn on your alarm systems and motion-activated lights; set interior lights on timers.
- * If you are not heating your home while away, turn off your water supply and drain the pipes completely; add non-toxic antifreeze rates for plumbing systems, to toilet tanks and bowls.
- * If you keep the heat on in your home, turn off the water supply, once you verify with your boiler servicing professional it is safe to do so; shut off water to dish and clothes washers, and maintain heat in your home.
- * Set the temperature to a minimum of 55 degrees Fahrenheit, and leave the furnace running to prevent pipes from freezing.

ATTENTION RESIDENTS:

As we move towards winter wonderland weather conditions, please keep in mind, if you do not wish to have your driveway salted or plowed, please notify Towne Properties.

RED REFLECTORS = NO SALT

BLUE REFLECTORS = NO SALT AND NO PLOWING

If you wish for your driveways to be both salted and plowed, then no action is required!

Markers must be located next to the lamp post and driveway, and they must be visible and not blocked by anything—including holiday decorations.

PLEASE REMEMBER, SNOW PLOWING OCCURS WITH 2" OR MORE OF STANDING SNOWFALL. Please also remember, during a snow emergency, kindly remove all vehicles from the street, day and night, to ensure the snow removal services can be provided efficiently and effectively.

SOCIAL EVENTS:

Euchre: First Wednesday at 6 PM*
Bridge Club: First Tuesday 1 - 4 PM
Mahjong: Every Thursday 1:30 - 4 PM
*Please note: Euchre has changed days!

THANK <u>YOU</u> FOR MAKING DEER RUN AN EXCELLENT PLACE TO LIVE!!



TOWNE PROPERTIES CONTACT INFORMATION

Carlene McCullough, Association Manager
Carlene McCullough @ Towne Properties.com

Sarah Luttrell, Customer Service Administrator Sarah Luttrell @Towne Properties.com

If you are not receiving email notices for Deer Run and would like to, please email SarahLuttrell@TowneProperties.com; please make sure to include your name, community, address, and that you would like to be added to the email list-thanks!