



The Village News

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SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- On the back we have some fire safety tips to keep your family safe and sound.
- Look for the information about our Community Yard Sale on page 2.

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Message from the President

In an ongoing effort to improve the common areas of our subdivision we have changed landscaping companies effective immediately. The new company, Smithwell Inc has an excellent reputation and is currently taking care of Lexington Estates. We have also retained South Lake Irrigation to maintain our irrigation. They started at the end of last year on a trial basis and have proved to be an excellent company to deal with. They can also do lawn irrigation so if you need that done, they can do it for you. Their prices are very good and competitive.

I'm sure you have noticed that the grass on the front berm and the two center islands has been replaced. The Bahia grass that was on the berm was almost completely destroyed and if we had left it any longer, we would have had a major

problem with restoring/reconstructing that area. We found a good full service sod farm, Lake Jem Farms that handled the restoration process which included removing the old sod, preparation of the soil, and installation of the new grass. As you can see, they did an excellent job which prompted other homeowners to change to the new sod as well. The new grass is called Zoysia and is a very good choice for this area.



We will be replacing some of the damaged trees on our easements. We had a tree specialist inspect all of

the street trees and to give use ideas on what to do to improve the trees in the neighborhood. One of the things that they suggested was to start a new fertilization program and to change the watering schedule which we have recently done so there is no need for you to do it. The Association also maintains the irrigation system on for these trees. If you feel they need more water you can use your own water to do so.

As we continue to do things to improve our community, we are always open to new ideas and ways to improve. We welcome anyone that would like to help in any way they can. You can volunteer your time or suggestions to our website at lvhoa.org.

Lee Jenks, President

Join Us For The Next Board Meeting!

Every month the 5 members of the Board of Directors for the Lexington Village HOA meet together to discuss important matters relating to our community. We meet the second Monday of every month at 7:00PM and the meeting is usually 2 hours depending on the Agenda. The Agenda is posted by the park and online (<http://www.lvhoa.org>) Our next meetings are: April 13th, May 11th, June 8th, and July 13th.



Come Join the FUN at our Community Yard Sale!

LV Community Yard Sale!!!

Saturday April 18th,
From 8AM to 12:00PM.

Association Equipment for Rent

Edger/Weed eater and power washer.

Contact the Board @ lvhoa.org or call Specialty Management at (352) 638-8155 and ask for Kevin Ray

Note from the Treasurer

Annual assessments were due on January 30, 2009 and there are still over 70 property owners who have not paid their dues. Interest (18% compounded monthly) has been added to past due accounts.

—Mike Radzik

Volunteers Needed

For the following:

Social Committee

ARC Committee

Landscaping Improvement Committee

Contact the Board if you are interested



Annual Assessments Assessments were due on January 1, 2009

Playgrounds and Basketball Area Rules

1. Playground is for Lexington Village Residents ONLY
2. Hours: 9:00—Dusk
3. Kids under 12 must be have adult supervision
4. No smoking
5. No alcohol
6. No pets
7. All guests must be accompanied by a resident
8. Use Playground at your OWN risk
9. Please keep park area clean
10. Violators will be prosecuted

Keep our parks and play areas safe and clean.



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LV Restaurant Review: D'Amato's is a family affair

Reprinted from the South Lake Press (www.southlakepress.com)
ROXANNE BROWN (Staff Writer)

CLERMONT -- When Anthony Riccardo's wife of 25 years, Tracie, flat out told him, "Look Tony, if you get a place, the people will come," Riccardo said he felt inspired about bringing D'amato's restaurant to Clermont.

Tracie said she gave her husband that advice because she's noticed how much people are drawn to his charismatic personality. So now, in addition to all that Riccardo has -- including 12 children, friends galore and a personality people brag about -- he's got his very own restaurant. And now that it's open, Riccardo said the statement his wife made has held true. "This is the first time I ever owned a restaurant and people were so excited for me. We opened up Oct. 9 and business has been booming ever since," Riccardo said.

Riccardo, with partner Tom Altro, opened D'amato's Italian Restaurant originally on the spot which previously housed Stromboli's at 1042 East Highway 50 at the Kmart shopping center in Clermont. It is moving, however, into the renovated A-frame church that was Pizano's Pizza and Salvatore's. The new address is 151 West Highway 50 in Clermont. (Corner of 50 and 2nd Street)

"We travel from Ocoee to eat here. We are more than happy to," old friend and customer Tony Giammanco said. "It's all about the food, and most of all, Tony. This guy bends over backwards no matter where he's at.. The food is excellent, though, all of it. And he has a great sauce."

D'amato's services more than one genre, with pizza available by the "jumbo" slice, pick-up and delivery on one side and fine Italian dining on the other. They also do catering and cook-to-order foods. D'amato's also serves espresso, cappuccino, various beers and fine wine. Riccardo said they also cater any event, large or small and are always ready to sit, talk and eat among their friends. For more information on D'amato's, call 352-242-4800.



Home Fire Safety Tips

The goal when dealing with a tragedy that is beyond your control, like a fire, once it has begun, is the safety of your family.

Here are a few tips to keeping your family safe in the event of a fire:

- Make a fire escape plan for your family. Find two exits out of every room. Pick a meeting place outside. Practice makes perfect – hold a family fire drill at least twice each year.
- Install smoke alarms on every level of your home. For the best detection and notification protection, install both ionization- and photoelectric-type smoke alarms. Some models provide dual coverage. The type will be printed on the box or package. Put them inside or near every bedroom. Test them monthly to make sure they work. Put in new batteries once a year.

- Know how to put out a small pan fire by sliding a lid over the flames.
- Teach every family member to “Stop, Drop, Roll and Cool” if clothes catch fire by dropping immediately to the ground, crossing hands over your chest and rolling over and over or back and forth to put out the flames. Cool the burned area with cool water and seek medical attention for serious burns.
- Learn how and when to use a fire extinguisher.
- If you have a fire in your home, once you get out, stay out. Do not go back inside for any reason.



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2009 Board of Directors

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If you have any concerns or issues you are welcome to contact the Board directly at (352) 638-8155, or you can email us at admin@lvhoa.org

Important Items to Remember

- Vandalism: Any person who defaces, destroys, or breaks any Association Property will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. The tenant or homeowner will be responsible for any damages. This includes parking on the Easement grass where our tree irrigation system has been installed.
- Illegally / Improperly Parked Vehicles: Any car that is parked on the easement grass (if any of the cars tires are on the grass) will be towed at your expense. Parking at the main playground is for playground visitors ONLY. All other cars will be towed at your expense. Cars that block the sidewalk will be issued a warning, and will be subject to a fine and/or the Groveland Police will be called.
- Vehicle Maintenance: Your garage or driveway is not an auto repair center. Minor work is one thing... removing engines, multiple vehicles to fix, major oil issues.... Not Acceptable.
- Parking in front of a fire hydrant is illegal. The Groveland Police will be called and your car can be towed at your expense.
- Easement Maintenance:: This is the area between the sidewalk and the street and is the resident's responsibility to maintain. Groveland Code enforcement will issue fines to those residents who do not maintain this area.