



SCHIEVELING PLANTATION NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 2004

Next HOA Meeting

Thursday, December 9, 2004

7:00 P.M.

At the Club House

Announcements

- 1. Margaret Jones thanks all the Schieveling residents who so generously donated food, clothing, hygiene items, and money to the Stand Down for Homelessness. The Stand Down was a huge success. Several hundred homeless received donations, medical and grooming services, hot meals, and entertainment. Most of the homeless were elderly or disabled and ALL very much appreciated the help. This event is held each October as a service to the Charleston area Homeless Veterans by the Veterans Administration and Goodwill Industries. No person in need, however, is ever turned away.**
- 2. The Board is pleased to announce that almost all of the vacant Lots have been cut and cleared. All of the non-resident Lot owners have been very cooperative in reaching our goals. As an aside, we note that for the six Lot owners (covering seven Lots) who had us schedule the cutting and clearing, the cost for a full Lot was \$245 rather than the original estimate of \$340; the cost of a half Lot was \$125 rather than \$170; and the cost for a quarter Lot was \$65 rather than \$85. We were able to obtain the services of a company that bid under the company that gave us the original estimates. Given the overgrown conditions of the Lots, any future cutting and clearing should be substantially less than even the last-bid figures. We have urged the Lot owners to ensure that their Lots remain in compliance with our Covenants and Restrictions.**
- 3. Following our announcement in the October 2004 Newsletter, we have begun to use the Compliance Request Form in our continuing enforcement of the Covenants and Restrictions. To facilitate reaching our Goal (resolving compliance issues as amicably and informally as possible), the Board authorized its use as a reminder to HOA members to take immediate corrective action. There are just a few issues, such as the placement of garbage cans and some resident overnight street parking that need to be corrected. With respect to garbage cans, the Covenants state in part, "...Such closed containers shall always be stored in such a manner that they cannot be seen from the street or adjacent property." Preferably, they should be kept in the garage. There are also a few more serious issues that the ARB and Compliance Committee are working on to resolve. We fully intend to continue enforcing the Covenants and Restrictions. It is very important, indeed mandatory, that community members receive approval for projects BEFORE undertaking them. This makes the process much easier for everybody and lessens the possibility of misunderstanding and "conflict."**

The community appreciates your cooperation in making this a safe, aesthetically pleasing, and valued place to live and interact with our neighbors.