Ocean Ridge Sound

Ocean Ridge Master Property Owners' Association – May 2015

Message from the President - Jerry Zeller

Golf Carts
Tourist season is here and with it, the increased use of golf carts. Golf carts are a vehicle, not a toy. They are to be driven by licensed drivers only. For safety reasons, unlicensed drivers are not allowed behind the wheel even if it's on an adult's lap. We have a comprehensive list of golf cart restrictions at the end of this newsletter. We do not want to have a golf cart accident in Ocean Ridge.

- There were 147,696 golf cart injuries 1990 to 2006.
- One third of the injuries were small children.
- It is estimated there are 15,000 injuries in golf carts per year

Security
For the first quarter, the Edisto Police patrolled an average of 29.5 hours per week within Ocean Ridge. One golf cart was stolen and recovered, and there was one major breaking and entering at the Village pool. In both cases, the individuals were identified. We are evaluating ways to improve our guard shack under the Towns building code.

Roads
Sea Cloud Circle road resurfacing is scheduled to start imminently. The contractor has given a number of reasons for the delay.

Lagoons
The MPOA made a decision to work with a local water treatment company in Walterboro. Time will tell if they are equal to or superior to the present lagoon contractor. We will continue to evaluate.

Tree Trimming
The annual tree trimming and dead tree removal project is nearly completed.

Finance
Current revenue is $2,390.00 ahead of YTD budget, and delinquent accounts continue to decline. The YTD operation budget is $17,980 below budget.

Trash and Garbage
As reminder, trash and garbage collection within Ocean Ridge is the Town of Edisto Beach's responsibility. Those paying the Town should have received a letter this past week from the Town regarding the new program. If you have questions, please contact the Town of Edisto Beach at 843-869-2505.

Communications Corner – Iddy Andrews

Our annual spring social was attended by 86 MPOA members and was a huge success. The shrimp boil was delicious, and we thank Wyndham for allowing us to use the Recreational Conference Center for this event.

We held our first annual Ocean Ridge Great American Cleanup and twelve volunteers picked up eighteen bags of trash. Our focus was to pick up trash about one yard into the woods. The effort was organized by Ann Luckadoo and Iddy Andrews.

In an effort to tighten our security, we will soon begin a new procedure. People without an Ocean Ridge pass will not be permitted entry to Ocean Ridge unless a property owner has called security and advised them of the guest's name and approximate time of arrival. Be sure to call security at 869-4524 when you are expecting guests or contractors to come to your residence.

Ocean Ridge is happy to welcome J Peters Grill & Bar to our neighborhood. The restaurant opened April 20, 2015 at the former location of Grover's Restaurant. Their website is www.jpetersgrill.com.

For those who missed our Annual Meeting in January, you can see a draft of the minutes on our website under the heading MPOA Board, Meeting Minutes. These minutes are subject to approval by the membership at the January, 2016 Annual Meeting.

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Ocean Ridge Rules & Regulations
Operation of Golf Carts

1. **Only property owners are permitted to have golf carts in the Ocean Ridge Community. Renters and Time-share visitors are not permitted to bring golf carts into the Community.**

2. All golf carts operated in the Ocean Ridge Community must be registered with the Property Management Office (Southern Community Services: 843-869-4300). To obtain such a registration, the owner of the golf cart must present to the Management Office: satisfactory proof of ownership, proof of insurance, a valid driver's license and a valid State of South Carolina golf cart sticker showing the golf cart's registration with the State of South Carolina.

3. All persons operating a golf cart in the Ocean Ridge Community must have a valid Driver's license. **This is the law in South Carolina and applicable within the Ocean Ridge Community.** There are no exceptions to this Rule and the presence of a licensed driver in the golf cart, if being driven by an unlicensed driver, does not satisfy this requirement or permit the operation of the golf cart by an unlicensed driver.

4. Operators of a golf cart must observe all South Carolina laws regarding the operation of golf carts and all rules of the road adopted by the Master Property Owners' Board for the Ocean Ridge Community such as: stop signs, speed limit signs, do not enter signs, one way signs and yield signs.

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5. Upon registration with the Property Management Office, an Ocean Ridge golf cart sticker will be issued and must be displayed on the golf cart at all times in a visible location. If the golf cart is registered to obtain an RFID sticker, then the RFID shall serve as the required golf cart sticker and be displayed on the golf cart at all times in a visible location.

6. All golf carts must have a current Ocean Ridge golf cart sticker and/or RFID to permit its operation in the Ocean Ridge Community.

7. In addition, operators of golf carts must observe the golf cart laws of South Carolina and the Town of Edisto Beach:

*Golf Carts can only be operated during daylight hours (headlights on a golf cart do not exempt the golf cart and its operator from this law).

*Golf carts can only be operated within 4 miles of the property owner's residence in the Ocean Ridge Community.

*Golf carts can only be operated on secondary highways and streets.

*Golf carts cannot be operated on a primary highway but can cross a primary highway. (This means straight across, not on an angle. Palmetto Boulevard is a primary highway, SC 174 from the Town Limit to the Marina is classified as a primary highway)

*Open container law and all other motor vehicle and parking laws apply to golf carts.