# DEERFIELD FARMS SUBDIVISION

Spring 2009

# Spring is Here !!!!!!!!!!!!



At last, spring is here and time to enjoy the outdoors. This means that our neighbors – and their children - will be outside doing what homeowners do when they have been

cooped-up inside all winter. Please keep in mind that more children will be playing in our subdivision and are possibly learning to ride their bicycles. The board members would like to urge all of the residents – and their guests – to drive safely, slow down and be aware of our junior residents and their inability to properly judge oncoming traffic. Also, there have been recent reports of minor vandalism in the neighborhood, so please consider leaving your lights on at night to act as a deterrent.

#### Front Entrance



We need your help! During the board's first quarterly meeting of 2009, one of the topics that were discussed was the front entrance.

This single topic encompasses several items to report to our residents. While the boulevard portion of the entrance looks better than it has in years thanks in part to the lawn service - there are still items that need repair and replacement as our subdivision is almost 11 years old. Items that need attention include: sign maintenance, tree trimming, replacing some of the shrubs and the planting of annuals. Our lawn service is contracted to trim the shrubs only. The board has set aside May 30<sup>th</sup> to work on the entrance and invite the residents to assist them. The edging needs to be reinstalled as well and the board is in the process of soliciting quotes from at least 3 vendors, as this is a large Please be assured that any large-scale modification to the front commons areas would be sent to the homeowners for vote.

#### Deerfield Farms Website



Our website has seen very few "hits" since its update. Please feel free to browse its contents and let us know what you think. There are links for both an html version and a PDF

image of the current by laws. The website address is <a href="http://www.deerfieldfarms.org">http://www.deerfieldfarms.org</a>. We would like to

point out to our residents that the website has a classified section. This classified section is free to all residents. Please submit your classified ad to the board for review and it will be posted for the time frame that you suggest. This can be used to promote a garage sale, the sale of a car, or a business.

### Communication with the Board



Please continue to send your questions and comments to the board at <u>association@deerfieldfarms.org</u>. Please use this email address as the

means to voice your questions and comments and the board will respond expeditiously.

## Budget Update



The following is a budget and expense summary for the subdivision's fiscal year 2008-2009. Currently, we are on track with all

expenses. With this budget snapshot, "Snow Removal" and "Lawn Maintenance" are now separated, but the total amount did not change. This is for possible separate quoting in the future. If there are any questions about the budget, please feel free to contact the board via e-mail.

Category	Budget	YTD Actual
Income		
Starting balance	\$3,206.95	\$3,206.95
Interest		\$0.00
2009 Dues	\$8,320.00	\$8,080.00
2008 dues (late)		\$616.80
Total	\$11,526.95	\$11,903.75
Expenses		
Attorney fees	\$300.00	\$0.00
Bank fees	\$30.00	\$0.00
Corporate license fee	\$60.00	\$75.00
Lighting & seasonal décor	\$800.00	\$170.41
Lawn maintenance	\$2,800.00	\$694.00
Snow Removal	\$2,000.00	\$1,951.25
Liability & director insurance	\$400.00	\$388.00
PO box fee	\$50.00	\$42.00
Business supplies & postage	\$100.00	\$60.39
Sign maintenance	\$500.00	\$0.00
Sprinkler maintenance	\$600.00	\$75.00
Electricity	\$400.00	\$273.33
Water	\$400.00	\$115.39
Contingency	\$300.00	\$0.00
Total	\$8,740.00	\$3,844.77
Ending balance	\$2,786.95	\$8,058.98