

Sugarmill Woods Bulletin

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Dear Residents,

We will be holding our next Community Outreach Program meeting in about two weeks. The focus of the meeting will be the function of the Property Appraiser's office and a chance to meet the Citrus County Property Appraiser.

Citrus County Property Appraiser Geoff Greene will be the guest speaker. The meeting will be held on **Tuesday, February 23, 2010 from 6:30 PM to 07:45 PM at the Sugarmill Woods Country Club.**

As the Property Appraiser of Citrus County it is Mr. Greene's responsibility to place a fair and equitable market value on every parcel of property, both real and tangible personal property located in the county. While some people believe that the Property Appraiser determines the amount of tax a property owner will pay, that is not the case. The duty of the property appraiser is to assess the market value of the property for tax purposes.

The various **taxing authorities** (i.e. Board of County Commissioners, City Councils, Water Management Districts, School Board, Hospital Board, etc) **set the tax rate or millage rate for all property** and therefore, the amount of tax to be levied.

Other responsibilities that the property appraiser is charged with include the administration of exemptions, agricultural classification, and property ownership records. The Property Appraiser's office is also the depository for the aerial photography of Citrus County. You can visit their web site at www.pa.citrus.fl.us for information or other data the Property Appraiser collects and makes available to the public, some of which includes maps, aerials, tax roll data and building sketches.

Geoff Greene is a 25 year resident of Citrus County. He has been the Citrus County Property Appraiser since being elected in the fall of 2008. He took office in January, 2009. His past experience includes President of Greene Ventures, Inc which is a privately owned corporation focused on environmental consulting and prior to that President of Black Diamond Development / Construction / Real Estate Corporations. In the mid to late 1980s, Mr. Greene was President of Meadowcrest Development / Construction / Realty Corporations. Prior to those positions, he held positions as a mortgage banker, real estate broker, real estate appraiser, and as a captain in the Delray Beach Fire Department.

Please join your friends and neighbors in participating in this very important and informative meeting on property values in Citrus County and Sugarmill Woods, learning how it affects you, and understanding the trends from past years and the years to come.

This program is sponsored by the Sugarmill Woods Civic Association as part of the Community Outreach Program.

Sincerely,

Duane Dueker,
President, Sugarmill Woods Civic Association

cc: Cypress Village POA, Oak Village Association, Southern Woods POA