

Sugarmill Woods Bulletin

December 23, 2010

Dear Residents,

Each fall, the Board of Directors of the Civic Association conducts a recruitment drive to attract new candidates to serve on the Civic Association Board of Directors. New Board members serve a three year term beginning January, 2011.

The only qualification requirements for being a Board member are 1) you must be a resident of Sugarmill Woods and 2) you have a strong desire to serve in support of your community. Residents with special skills in finance, legal, engineering, public relations, utilities, and other professions are encouraged to volunteer as candidates to join the Board.

The Board meets the second Monday each month. Board members maintain a liaison with county and state officials, monitor utility services in the SMW community, and interact with other local organizations in the county. Most important, the Civic Association Board members serve and represent you, the residents of Sugarmill Woods.

This year we have two excellent candidates who have graciously volunteered to serve on the Civic Association Board. Included below is a brief summary of their background, experience, and interests.

Mary Lee Johnson

Mary Lee Johnson is originally from Lima, Ohio but spent 35 years in Broward County, Florida where she worked as a teacher and administrator for the Broward County School System. Her work experience included: teacher, curriculum specialist, Title I resource teacher, grant facilitator, and District Coordinator of After School Programs. She moved to Cypress Village of Sugarmill Woods four years ago.

Mary Lee has been involved with and spent much of her time working with a number of community organizations: YMCA Boards in both Broward and Citrus Counties, Humanitarians of South Florida - Volunteer Coordinator, Crystal River Woman's Club Board, Women of Sugarmill Woods, We Care Food Pantry Fundraising Committee, Pet Angels Fundraising Organization, Canine Companions for Independence Service Dogs, and Sugarmill Woods Fill the Truck Committee for the We Care Food Pantry. Mary Lee has expressed interest in working with the Sugarmill Woods Civic Association to promote more community service projects.

Marie Steidel

Marie Steidel is originally from New Jersey. She spent her early working years in the administrative field in Manhattan and San Francisco. Upon returning from California, Marie began working in real estate sales, eventually obtaining a broker's license. She spent the next 28 years working in the mortgage banking field and worked her way up from initially processing loans to Senior Vice President / Compliance Manager.

Marie met her husband, Ken, while both were in real estate and they were married in 1980. In 2008, Marie retired and they moved to Cypress Village of Sugarmill Woods. She has devoted her free time to various volunteer organizations, including the We Care Food Pantry and the Citrus County Clerk of the Court's office. Marie has expressed interest in community service projects in support of the Sugarmill Woods Civic Association.

Sincerely,

Duane Dueker, President, Sugarmill Woods Civic Association

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