

# **Sugarmill Woods Bulletin**

## **January 2, 2012**

**Dear Residents,**

On behalf of the SMW Civic Association Board, we wish all of you a Happy New Year and hope and pray that all of you have a healthy, happy, and enjoyable 2012 for you and your family, your loved ones, and your friends and neighbors. We also want to remind you of a few items you should be aware of and encourage you to take any appropriate actions.

### **Presidential Preference Primary Election**

The 2012 election process is now ramping up. **Tuesday, January 3 is the deadline to register** to vote in the 2012 Presidential Preference Primary Election. Key **dates for this election are:**

#### **2012 Presidential Preference Primary Election**

- **January 3, 2012 - Deadline to Register**
- **January 21 – 28, 2012 (Saturday – Saturday) - Early Voting Dates**
- **January 31, 2012 - Preference Primary Election Day**

### **SMW Crimes – Vehicle Break In / Theft**

Since 4Q 2010 we have experienced a significant number of Vehicle Break Ins which resulted in the loss of valuables and other personal property left in the vehicles. The Sheriff's Office emphasizes a slogan they have coined "**Lock It or Lose It**". Did you know the simple act of locking your car doors – something that takes less than 3 seconds – can help prevent crime? It is not guaranteed that the criminals will not break into a locked vehicle but it may deter them. It is also a good idea to keep valuables out of sight in the vehicle. Store them in the trunk or better yet remove all valuables from the vehicle. As citizens of Citrus County, we can all partner with the Sheriff's Office to reduce crime and reduce our risk of becoming a victim.

**Lock Up.** Lock your car doors and keep them locked at all times – even when your car is sitting in the driveway. Remove all valuables from your vehicle, even if it is locked. Also lock your home and keep your garage doors shut.

**Secure it.** Hide items left in your car in the trunk – or better yet, remove those items from your vehicle and put them inside your home. Don't leave valuables in your vehicle in plain view even if it is locked.

**Be a good neighbor.** Watch out for others and share these simple steps with them. Let your neighbors know if they have left something valuable outside or if they have accidentally left their garage door open. If you see suspicious behavior in the neighborhood, please report it immediately to the Sheriff's Office.

### **New Irrigation Restriction Enforcement Changes**

You should have received a Flyer in the mail from Citrus County Utilities last month. Beginning January 1, 2012, Citrus County will no longer issue WARNINGS for irrigation violations. **Every violation will result in a fine.**

- **First Violation - \$100 Fine**
- **Second Violation - \$250 Fine**
- **Third and all subsequent Violations - \$500 Fine for each occurrence.**

Please follow the Irrigation Restrictions so we can avoid having any violations within our Sugarmill Woods community in 2012. Thank you,

Sincerely,

Duane Dueker,  
President, Sugarmill Woods Civic Association

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