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G&F SAYS GIVE WILDLIFE ROOM

Wyoming Game and Fish officials are asking residents in the Jackson area to be aware and show patience with moose and other wildlife that are showing up in residential areas. The Jackson Game and Fish office is receiving numerous calls of moose in residential areas prompting them to offer advice on how to avoid problems with these large animals.

"It's shaping up to be one of those winters where we're seeing a lot of wildlife, particularly moose, deer and elk in residential areas," said Mark Gocke, spokesman for the Wyoming Game and Fish Department.

Game and Fish is encouraging people to be aware and give the animals some room. "Typically, these animals are not going to pose a threat to anyone as long as we give them their space and control our pets around them and so on," says Gocke.

On the other hand, wildlife officials acknowledge that wildlife, such as moose, can be potentially dangerous animals and offer these tips to avoid a conflict:

- Never crowd or surround an animal
- Always allow an animal an escape route
- Always control pets and make sure there are no wildlife around before letting animals out of the house.
- School children should be extra cautious when walking to the bus stop, especially when it's dark.

IMPROVEMENT SERVICE DISTRICT & VOLUNTARY ABANDONMENT OF CERTAIN WATER RIGHTS

Reminder: If you have not done so already - the Board is asking that you sign and return to us in the self-addressed envelope both the signature page to the petition for organization of Melody Ranch Improvement and Service District and the consent to petition for voluntary abandonment of certain water rights.

HOLIDAY DECORATIONS

Holiday decorations including Christmas lights, wreaths and garland should be removed in a timely manner after the holiday has passed. Christmas lights are allowed Thanksgiving Day through **February 15th**.

ANNUAL MEETING

Thank you to all of the homeowner's who attended the annual meeting. Please contact GTPM if you have any questions or comments from the meeting.

DOG OWNERS - PLEASE READ

The paths throughout Melody have become covered with dog feces. Please do not let your dogs go to the bathroom on the paths. If they do, please PICK UP the dog feces and PICK UP the bag and carry it to the nearest trash can near the mutt mitt stations. Come spring, the paths are going to be pretty ugly if you don't make a habit of cleaning up now.

PARK UPDATE

Last week our board members Rich Bloom, Bob Hammond and Nancy Hoffman meet with Steve Ashworth – head of parks, Steve Foster – county administrator and Commissioners Andy Schwartz and Paul Perry about the neighborhood park playground equipment and unfinished shared use, access and cost agreements. The board was able to reinforce our residents’ strong desire that the playground equipment is funded for later this summer or fall. The budget has now moved from staff to the County commissioners to finalize and approve. The Commissioners will consider our request as they finalize the July 1, 2012-13 budget this spring.

All formal correspondence, including notes from the recent meeting, is posted on the HOA website under “Neighborhood Park”.

SCHOOL VACATION SPEED LIMIT – 15 MPH!

Spring is upon us and the children are outside playing. Please be conscious of your vehicle speed through Melody Ranch Subdivision. The speed limit is 15 MPH. Please be sure to tell your guest the speed limit in Melody Ranch.

COVENANT CORNER

From the Rules & Regulations

- ❖ Please note that any improvement made to a property must first be presented to the ARC for approval. A written application is required. These are available online. At no time should improvements be made without approval. Landscape changes also need approval from the Landscape Design Committee through an application process as well.

HOA PAYMENTS

All correspondence and payments should be mailed to:

**The Meadows at Melody Ranch
PO Box 4337
Jackson, WY 83001**

All checks need to be written out to:
The Meadows at Melody Ranch

or pay online at:

<https://www.paymentservicenetwork.com/login.asp?accrt15968>

Be sure all emails are sent to:
info@melodyranchhoa.com

Please contact Cynthia or Tina at GTPM to address all inquiries. They can be reached at 307.733.0205

MARK YOUR CALENDAR....

Typically the Board of Directors meets the third Tuesday (March 20th) of each month at 5:00. Please call GTPM for the exact date and time, as they are sometimes moved to accommodate peoples’ schedule.

Every second Thursday (March 8th) of each month the Architectural Review Committee meets at 4:30. All items need to be turned in by noon the Friday prior to the ARC meeting.

VACANT LOT OWNERS PLEASE READ

Starting June 2012, Melody Ranch HOA will have Wyoming Landscape Company start spraying the 32 vacant lots for annual and noxious weeds. It will cost each vacant lot homeowner \$150 for 3 sprayings throughout the summer. The Board will give homeowners until May 30th, 2012 to opt out of this service. If a homeowner chooses to opt out, then the homeowner will need to send in a copy of a receipt showing their lot has been sprayed – and/or a commitment from them or a service provider to treat their vacant lots throughout the summer.