Melody Ranch HOA



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SHORT TERM RENTALS

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The HOA Board of Directors recently sent an email to homeowners in light of the County's recent work and determination of the short term rental policy in Teton County. Please remember that short-term rentals are not only prohibited by the Melody Ranch CC&Rs, but are also a violation of the land development regulations of Teton County.

Since the inception of Melody Ranch as a single family residential neighborhood, short-term rentals have never been allowed either by our covenants or by the laws of Teton County. Your HOA board has reaffirmed our existing rules against the rental of your home for less than 31 days. In addition, separate from our rules, the County has reaffirmed that they find rentals of less than 30 days illegal.

For the integrity of our neighborhood and our community, please modify any language for any listings including websites (<u>vrbo.com</u>, etc.) to make it clear if you choose to rent that it is solely for 31 days or more and please refrain from multiple rental contracts within a month.

We wish to emphasize that this is **not** a new rule or a new interpretation but has been part of our covenants from its inception. A copy of the recently approved resolution concerning short term rentals can be found on the Melody Ranch Website. Please contact Demerie at Grand Teton Property Management if you have additional comments or questions.

WWW.MELODYRANCHHOA.COM

We hope that you spend a few moments on the HOA's website from time to time. It is frequently updated with the latest from your neighborhood. Aside from board and annual meeting minutes, you will find information about the covenants and design guidelines, monthly newsletters, recent communications (including the recent rental resolution, letters about the mining operations, water testing etc), ISD information and more.

SCHOOL DAYS

Residents, please be aware that school is back in session. With that in mind, please be alert, and keep your eyes open in the morning and afternoon as kids head to and from school and the bus stop. Drive slowly - the speed limit in Melody Ranch is 15 **mph**. If you are dropping your child off at the bus stop, please do not park on the grass or in the open space while you wait. Remember to be patient and courteous during these busy moments of the day. Let's all work together to keep the smallest residents of our neighborhood safe. We will be checking in with the bus drivers throughout the school year to make sure pick up and drop off is going as smoothly as possible. If necessary, we may be posting additional signage or other items to help keep traffic flowing, visibility clear and entry to and from the school bus safe.



ARC IS NOW DAC

The HOA board of directors has decided to rename the hard working committee that reviews all of the building plans for Melody Ranch. According to the covenants, the ARC is technically the board of directors. To avoid confusion, the ARC as you know it has been dubbed the "Design Advisory Committee". They will still be doing business as usual, reviewing plans for new building, additions, fences, exterior color changes, etc, but going forward will be referred to as the DAC. If you have experience in the building or design field and are interested in a position on this advisory committee we are happy to have you join us. Contact Demerie at Grand Teton Property Management if you have any questions.

COVENANT CORNER

~ Trash receptacles are to be placed at the edge of driveways only on the designated trash day. Once trash has been picked up, these receptacles must be removed from driveways within 24 hours. When not on the street for trash pick-up, all trash receptacles are to be stored in the garage or "out of sight" behind a fence enclosure. All trash must be kept in bins at all times. Bags of trash or other household items being disposed of are never to be left outside bins. This is Tier Two Violation, \$100 fine

~ Trees and Landscaping. No trees or bush growing on any Lot shall be felled or trimmed nor shall any natural areas be cleared, graded or formal lawn areas constructed, or landscaping performed on any Lot without the prior written permission of the ARC.

RV STORAGE

Just a quick reminder to those of you with a storage space in the Melody RV lot that there are quite a few homeowners who are on the waiting list for a spot. If you do not need your space anymore, please notify GTPM so we can pass it to the next family. Also, please keep in mind that the storage area is intended for recreational vehicles and trailers; it is not to be used to store trash, construction equipment, yard gear etc. Please see the storage rules and regulations for a more comprehensive list.

DID YOU KNOW?

September, from the Latin "septem", marks the beginning of autumn in the northern hemisphere and the start of spring in the Southern Hemisphere. It has three birth flowers; the forget-me-not, the morning glory and the aster, all very passionate flowers. The birthstone, sapphire represents clarity of thought, intuition and peacefulness. In traditional medicine sapphire is used to treat fevers, reduce inflammation and anxiety. Locally, September is a very busy month with the Jackson Hole Fall Arts Festival, Old Bill's Fun Run, the One Fly competition, Taste of the Tetons, and the Jackson Hole Marathon and so much more.

VANDALISM

Many homeowners may already be aware of the vandalism that has occurred on the open space in Melody Ranch. For those who do not know, there have been 4 mature trees which have been saw cut, poisoned and/or removed. This case has been turned over to the Teton County Sheriff for further investigation and prosecution. If you have any information or questions, please contact Tina or Demerie at Grand Teton Property Management.

HOA PAYMENTS

All correspondence and payments should be made payable and mailed to:

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

Or, you can also opt to pay online at: <u>www.duespayment.com</u> (Service fees apply)

Please contact Tina Korpi or Demerie Northrop at Grand Teton Property Management to address any questions at: 307-733-0205

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2014 4:30 GRAND TETON PROPERTY MANAGEMENT THE MINUTES FOR THESE MEETINGS CAN BE SEEN ON OUR WEBSITE: <u>WWW.MELODYRANCHHOA.COM</u>

DESIGN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (FKA ARC)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2014 12:00

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR ITEMS FOR REVIEW TO GRAND TETON PROPERTY MANAGEMENT BY NOON ON THE FRIDAY PRIOR TO THE ARC MEETING.

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NEXT MEETING DATE TBD

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN THE IMPROVEMENT AND SERVICE DISTRICT COMMITTEE, THIS IS AN OPEN MEETING. MINUTES AND OTHER IMPORTANT ISD DOCUMENTS WILL BE POSTED TO THE MELODY RANCH WEBSITE FOR YOUR INFORMATION.