



The Grove at SummerBrooke

Spring Newsletter

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NEW BOARD MEMBERS

Two new board members were appointed to the 2007 Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting on February 28, 2007:

A warm welcome to Ruth Potts and Joe Kopacz.

Kerri McEwen, Scott Richardson and Deanna Trahan all volunteered to serve another year on the Board. Many thanks to all neighbors that volunteer to help keep the community a safe and beautiful place to live.

Many items were discussed at the annual meeting. Below are a few items of interest -

- Installation of the Flag at the front entrance
- Pet waste reminders.
- Lawn maintenance reminders.
- Reorganization of Neighborhood Watch Program
- Speeding Issues
- Community Garage Sale:
Saturday, April 28, 2007



- Welcome Committee
- Bike Rack for entrance area
- Entrance sign refurbishing
- Committees and Volunteers
- Trailer's and boats
- Neighborhood watch
- Identity theft issues (someone going through trash)
- Mail issue (mail carrier delivering incorrect mail)



COVENANT REMINDERS.....

All mailboxes, fences, decks, screened porches, pools and any other exterior improvements must have prior approval from the Architectural Control Committee.

Each lot owner is assessed an annual fee of \$150.00 per lot, due each January, which provides for maintenance of the common areas, administrative/office costs, social events, and other expenditures deemed necessary by the Board of Directors.

Helpful Internet Links:

lcs.leonfl.org

talgov.com

www.doacs.state.fl.us

www.myflorida.com

www.fdle.state.fl.us

www.floridadisaster.org

Neighborhood Watch Tips



The Tallahassee Police Department provides the following Vacation Crime Prevention Tips (www.talgov.com):

- Notify the Post Office to hold your mail, or arrange with a neighbor to pick up and hold your mail, or visit <http://www.usps.com>.
- Notify your newspaper carrier to discontinue newspaper deliveries, or arrange with a neighbor to pick up and hold your papers.
- Make arrangements to have your grass cut and watered while you are gone. Have someone check daily to remove throwaway papers and circulars from your doorway and yard.
- Arrange with a neighbor or relative to watch your house. Give them a key and let them know where or how you can be reached in an emergency.

For more information please visit; <http://www.talgov.com/tpd/tips/vacation.cfm>



Neighborhood Garage Sale

Saturday, April 28, 2007

A Sign Will be placed at the entrance to SummerBrooke and The Grove. We will also place an ad in the Democrat.



Solid Waste Services Change Reminder

Beginning **May 1**, the City will consolidate waste removal to curbside pick up one time each week. Recycling pick up will be increased to one time per week as well (currently it is every other week), to enable customers to divert more of their items to their recycling Smart Cart.



The Do's and Don'ts of Summer Lawn Care

By Dawn West

All About Lawns Columnist

<http://www.allaboutlawns.com/lawn-maintenance-care/watering/the-dos-and-donts-of-summer-lawn-care.php>



Tip #1 -- Don't Misapply Fertilizer

Fertilizing is one of the best lawn maintenance choices you can make. But misapply it, and things turn ugly. The nitrogen in fertilizer can burn your lawn, and when temperatures soar, the likelihood of burning goes up. To prevent damage, go for a slow-release fertilizer with a lower nitrogen content than usual and follow the directions carefully.

Tip #2 -- Do Water Your Lawn

One of the most common summer lawn care pitfalls is inadequate watering. You may be watering your lawn like normal, but the evaporation that results from the heat means that less of that water is getting to your lawn's roots. Water until the moisture gets about six inches into the soil, and consider increasing the number of times per week you turn on the sprinklers.

Friendly Neighborhood Reminders



- Pick up after your pet when they defecate. This has become a real problem at the front entrance as you can tell by the above pictures.
- Be mindful of your neighbors and keep outdoor pets quiet.
- Remove garbage cans/recycle bins from the street after pick up and place out of sight.
- Routinely cut your grass and weed your flower beds, a little bit of work can make the whole neighborhood look good.
- To prevent theft, keep your garage door closed when not in use.
- If you receive the wrong mail from the postal service you can return it to a UPSP mailbox and they will deliver to the correct address.



Hurricane Preparedness

This year Hurricane Preparedness Week is May 20-26, 2007

Create a Family Disaster Plan (http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/HAW2/english/prepare/family_plan.shtml)

- Discuss the type of hazards that could affect your family. Know your home's vulnerability to storm surge, flooding and wind.
- Locate a safe room or the safest areas in your home for each hurricane hazard. In certain circumstances the safest areas may not be your home but within your community.
- Determine escape routes from your home and places to meet. These should be measured in tens of miles rather than hundreds of miles.
- Have an out-of-state friend as a family contact, so all your family members have a single point of contact.
- Make a plan now for what to do with your pets if you need to evacuate.
- Post emergency telephone numbers by your phones and make sure your children know how and when to call 911.
- Check your insurance coverage - flood damage is not usually covered by homeowners insurance.
- Stock non-perishable emergency supplies and a Disaster Supply Kit.
- Use a NOAA weather radio. Remember to replace its battery every 6 months, as you do with your smoke detectors.
- Take First Aid, CPR and disaster preparedness classes.



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