

Summer Breeze

A Newsletter for the Residents of Summer Creek

Fall 2009

Joinder and Consent Process Complete!

All five phases of Summer Creek have now been legally merged into a single subdivision with a single homeowners association. Thank you for your support of this process! The merger helps ensure that our dues remain low and that decisions that affect our community will continue to be made by our residents rather than an outside management company.

New Fence around Retention Pond

The fence around our retention pond had fallen into disrepair and needed to be replaced. This project was completed in August by a contractor selected by the Board. The new fence improves our neighborhood aesthetics and will keep our residents safe for many years to come.

Need a Pressure Washer?

The Summer Creek Homeowners Association owns a pressure washer that can be checked out free of charge for use in cleaning your front curb, driveway and walkway. Visit our website at www.summertimecreekha.com for details.

Is Your House Number on Your Curb?

A local business will professionally paint your house number on your front curb for a reasonable fee, to make your home easy to find for visitors and emergency response teams. For more information, call 352-328-2345.

2010 Annual Meeting

Sunday, Jan 31 at 2pm, Faith Presbyterian Church

Please make plans now to attend the annual meeting! This is your opportunity to hear from the board of directors, ask your questions, and give input on the future of our community.

Board Members Needed

Summer Creek needs you! We meet for 1-1½ hours once a month, and that's all it takes to be on the board. Some officer positions also need to be filled. Contact us at www.summertimecreekha.com if you are interested.

Thank You

A special thanks to all those who have volunteered their time this year. Some notable contributions:

- Renee Lucas and Darlene Ryon for keeping the front sign landscaping up
- Dan Lucas for taking his time to maintain and loan out the SC pressure washer
- Dan and Darlene Ryon for fixing the broken slats on the fence upfront
- Dan Lucas and Dan Ryon for cutting and removing dead tree limbs
- Colette Walinski for volunteering her notary duties, sometimes going door to door
- All board members past and present for the numerous hours volunteering their time to complete the Joinder and Consent process

New County Lawn Watering and Landscape Irrigation Ordinance

The new county ordinance establishes the following watering restrictions for single-family homes (these days and times are during Eastern Standard Time, which began on Nov 1):

Odd-numbered addresses: Saturday before 10 a.m., after 4 p.m.

Even-numbered addresses: Sunday before 10 a.m., after 4 p.m.

You may face a \$50 penalty from the county for watering outside these days/times.

New County Waste Collection Guidelines

For some residents, collection days and route times changed effective November 1, 2009. You should have seen a sticker on your garbage cart in October if your route has changed. Junk mail, office paper, margarine tubs and yogurt cups were added to the recycling program in January of 2009. A new item, Pasteboard, (cereal boxes without the plastic bag, beverage cartons, etc) can now be recycled in the orange bin.

Beginning November 1, 2009, yard trash will not be collected in plastic bags. Leaves, grass clippings, and small cuttings must be set out in brown paper lawn and leaf bags (available at local retailers or online) or in a re-usable container such as a plastic or metal trash can in order to be collected.

Friendly Reminders of Covenant & Restrictions

In the past we have generally asked for voluntary compliance with the Covenants and Restrictions. However, we continue to receive complaints regarding some residents who are in violation and have made no attempts to correct the situation. As a result, we will begin enforcing the Covenants and Restrictions under the approved Fee Schedule, which is available at our website, www.summercreekah.com.

Here is a list of the most common violations that we are receiving complaints about:

Boats: Must be stored in your garage or backyard. Note that the county also has restrictions for storing them in your side yard.

Disabled Vehicles: Any vehicle that is not drivable and/or registered must be stored in your garage.

Lawns: Must be kept reasonably mowed. Any lawn over 9" may be cut and billed to the homeowner.

Satellite dishes: Cannot be erected in the front yard.

Outside storage: please remember to store, garbage cans, recycle bins, tools, etc. in your garage and not in the driveway or front yard.

These restrictions are not extreme, and are designed to keep our neighborhood looking good and our property values up. Please correct any areas where you are in violation to avoid a fine. If you have any questions, contact the board using the information provided on this newsletter or at our website, www.summercreekha.com.

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