



EKANA GREEN NEWS



A DEED RESTRICTED COMMUNITY

September 2008

Tennis Courts...

Within the last year, the tennis courts have been fully refurbished. The Board continues to address the issue of children riding bikes, scooters or just playing on the courts. **The tennis courts are not designed or maintained as a playground.** Children under the age of 12 are to be supervised by an adult when on the courts. The Board requests the gate be closed and locked after use by the residents. Residents are asked to report any incident of the courts being used for any purpose other than playing tennis. Please help to keep our investment in the courts for the benefit of all who enjoy the game of tennis.

Gates Open/Closed

The gates of our community will be open for a short period of time in the morning and afternoon during the school year to allow the school bus to enter the community. Otherwise, the gates will remain closed during the day. A considerable decrease in traffic through Ekana Green has been noted with the gates remaining closed during the day this summer. For the safety and security of our homeowners, the Board has voted to keep the gates closed at all times with the exception of having them open for the school buses. The new gate code was published in the last newsletter that went out in the mail. Please refrain from giving this code to outsiders and make use of the directory call up to allow people other than residents to enter our neighborhood.

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REMINDER – House Numbers

If your house numbers were removed while repainting your house, the numbers need to be replaced. This is a county ordinance, so emergency personnel can quickly locate houses. The numbers should be placed in the original location (to the side of the garage door) or above the garage door. House numbers should also be visible on the mailbox. Anita has information for obtaining white numbers for mailboxes.

No Graffiti!

This summer our gazebo, which had recently been cleaned and re-stained, was defaced with graffiti. Most of the graffiti has been removed by those responsible for the damage. Parents, please remind your children about the care of property and the effects of their actions. Perhaps some kids may not realize that writing on the gazebo or any community or public property is considered vandalism. Ask your child to remind others that this is unacceptable.

The common areas belong to **all** residents and the ongoing maintenance costs come from our HOA assessment dues. If you witness any form of vandalism, please notify Anita at EPM or any board member. Thanks for your attention to this matter.

Parking Policy...

A reminder that temporary parking permits are required for on street parking in any area other than the white striped area. If you are hosting a party or guests for any occasion, a temporary pass will allow parking in front of your home for a short period of time. NO temporary parking permits are allowed for overnight parking. Temporary parking permits are available from any board member or from Anita at EPM. Please request parking permits 24 hours BEFORE the day of your event.

The white striped areas along the common areas are provided for overflow guest parking. Residents are to use their garages and driveways for their individual parking needs and not use the white striped areas for "permanent" parking of their vehicles. All cars parked in the designated area must have a current tag, be drivable and maintained or they will be subject to towing.

Thank you for your cooperation.

WELCOME NEW NEIGHBORS!

Margarita Newman Finol - 2100 Emerald Green Circle



Back to School...



School started back August 18. The Oviedo police department reminds residents of the safety issue they have with vehicles parking across sidewalks.

Blocking the sidewalk causes kids walking to the bus to go out into the street to get past the vehicles blocking the sidewalk.

Please, No Trespassing!

A few residents have experienced other residents (adults and children) cutting through their yards, walking and riding bikes, from Emerald Green Circle to access the tennis courts. Residents and guests should use the sidewalk to access the tennis courts from the south end of the development.

The same is true for the open areas behind the homes along the golf course where fencing is prohibited. This area is **NOT** common area and should be respected as private property. Twin Rivers Golf Course owns the holding pond and adjacent green belt and does not allow trespassing on the golf course.

Please remind members of your household of the need to respect the property of others.



Beautification of Our Neighborhood

Residents are asked to spray the sidewalks and street gutters in front of their homes to kill weeds and grass that grow in the cracks. It only takes a few extra minutes to spray these areas when you are maintaining your lawn. It is a **small** task that makes a **big** difference in the appearance of our community. In addition, it helps to reduce maintenance costs for the HOA.



NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM...

Do you have an interest in being a member of our neighborhood watch committee? The signs are in place.

All that is required is for you to be watchful for any activities within our community that seem suspicious or out of the ordinary. Any resident should call 911 if they notice anything unusual taking place within our community.

Web Site – “Trade, Sell or Give away”

Got something you would like to sell? Or perhaps something you would just “give away” to reduce clutter? The old saying...“One man’s trash is another’s treasure” often is very true. Go to our website and click on “Trade” to take advantage of getting rid of items at no cost of advertising. Visit www.ekanagreen.net and be among the first to have your items listed.



Traffic Issues outside our entry gate...

As this area of Oviedo has grown, we, as EG homeowners, have experienced more and more traffic outside our entry gate. Vehicles going to Winn Dixie or other business in the Lockwood Shopping Center have become more and more numerous. Speed has also become a factor.

The board has succeeded in getting a stop sign and re-striping done by the City to remedy the traffic issues between our community, Winn Dixie and Lockwood. The installation of the stop sign and the striping should be complete by the time this newsletter goes to press. Please continue to exit our community with caution until drivers become familiar with the new stop sign as they exit the Winn Dixie parking lot adjacent to our gated entrance.

Ekana Green Covenants and Restrictions

Misplaced your copy of the Ekana Green covenants?

Ekana Green is a Deed Restricted Community; all residents are expected to be familiar with the recorded restrictions that are part of your property closing agreement. Contact Anita at EPM Services, (407) 327-5824 if you need a replacement copy. All residents (owners and renters) are subject to the covenants and restrictions.

Visit our website www.Ekanagreen.net for updates and information pertaining to our community.

For our Senior residents...

AARP members can save 10% on their auto insurance by completing an auto course with the Oviedo police department. Contact Fred Fruehan, 407 339 6205. Course dates Sept 9-10 and Oct 4.

Ekana Green is a deed restricted community managed by EPM Services.

Contact Anita Roberts: anita.roberts@epmservices.com.

Visit our community website: www.ekanagreen.net!