



## HOA QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER- March 2011

### **COMMUNITY EVENT**

The annual MMHOA Yard sale will be held Saturday, April 2nd from 8am until 1pm. Advertisements will be placed in the N & O; participating residents are encouraged to prepare and place street signs.

### **POOL REGISTRATION AND ADMITTANCE**

Summer is just around the corner ! Residents who wish to enter the pool area are required to be registered in advance AND show photo identification EACH time the enter the pool. Residents who are not registered AND do not have a photo identification card will not be admitted. (POOL REGISTRATION FORMS WERE MAILED TO EVERY OWNER IN THE 2011 DUES PACKAGE. IF YOU HAVE LOST YOURS, YOU MAY LOCATE ONE ON THE HOMEPAGE IN THE COMMUNITY NEWS SECION.) Additionally, all residents must be current with HOA fees to be eligible for admittance. Please familiarize your family and guests with pool rules listed on the website before using the pool.

If you are an owner who rents your residence, you will need to decide who will have pool privileges—you as owner or your renter. All renters must submit a copy of the current lease with each name listed to be eligible to use the pool.

You should expect a 3 to 5 business day processing time for any submitted pool registration paperwork—pool attendants DO NOT have the authority to process pool registration due to the confidentiality of HOA fees accounts.

### **SPRUCING UP THE NEIGHBORHOOD**

Over the last two years, the Board has made efforts to update landscaping, improve the pool facility, and enhance the entry ways. This year's project requires turning our attention to the appearance of each street.

Specifically, guests and potential buyers first see mailboxes and home exteriors when they visit. After surveying the neighborhood, residents whose homes have deteriorating mailboxes or siding that is off color due to mold, dirt or moss have been notified by mail to remedy these issues by May. We know everyone wants their home to sparkle; these required activities are inexpensive and quick, but are tasks that will preserve the beauty of your home and our neighborhood.

### **SOLUTIONS TO NEIGHBORHOOD PROBLEMS ARE A CLICK AWAY...**

The HOMEOWNERS RESOURCES section of the homepage under the “How to Report Community Problems” link lists telephone numbers to contact the city and property manager for common problems. These reports remain COMPLETELY confidential—please report the issue directly as the city uses all independent reports and logs to maintain records of violations. Generally, these issues are handled the same day. Although the Email the Board may also be used, since these issues are handled by the property manager it is best to go directly there by email or telephone. Let’s all work together to allow everyone to enjoy living in our great neighborhood!

### **SIDEWALK SIDE ONLY—GUEST AND VISITOR PARKING**

It has been the policy of the neighborhood to have all guest vehicles park on the sidewalk side of the street, if they cannot fit into the resident’s driveway. Lately, we have received notices concerning problems for emergency vehicles that were unable to pass because visitors or servicemen had parked on both sides of the street. Please comply with this request for everyone’s safety. Any violations of parking policies may be reported to the property manager—please provide street address of the parked vehicle and its vehicle license plate—so that the issue may be addressed promptly.

### **FREE ADVERTISING FOR RESIDENTS!**

The website has a specific section reserved for residents who are looking to advertise. This section of the website is intended to provide residents with a neighborhood link to services and social events—babysitters, dog walkers, book groups, play groups, and much more—are free to advertise.

Interested residents must submit a form for approval which allows the HOA to monitor that a resident is placing the add and that it is “appropriate” material for our family-oriented website.

### **USE THE MMHOA WEBSITE TO STAY IN TOUCH AND INFORMED**

Stay informed about what is happening in your neighborhood. If you have not done so, visit your HOA website at <http://mckinleymill.org/> and at the top of the homepage select JOIN US. Once you enter your contact information, you will be notified every time the website is updated with new information.

New to the neighborhood? Have a new email address or phone number? Please take the time to update your telephone number, mailing and email addresses with the property manager by either calling (919) 389-7944 or by sending an email to [accounts@grandchestermeadows.com](mailto:accounts@grandchestermeadows.com).