



Random Oaks HOA Community Newsletter

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Quarterly Newsletter

Home Maintenance

Tips:

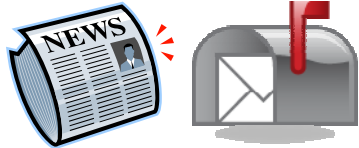
- You should schedule an annual termite inspection of your home.
- Your dryer vent (from dryer to roof) should be cleaned annually.
- Check and re-caulk your home's windows to prevent water seepage and bugs.
- Water heaters should be "flushed" every 6 months (check owners manual).



Pet Care Tips:

- Always pick up after your pet, whether in your own yard, a neighbor's yard, or a common area.
- Always keep your pet on a leash when outdoors.
- Never leave a pet locked in a car in very cold or hot weather.
- "People food" like grapes, raisins, chocolate, and avocado can make your pet ill.

Newsletter Considered



Your Random Oaks HOA Board of Directors is considering the return of a community newsletter for all residents. The cost to print and mail a quarterly newsletter would be about \$3.30 per household per year. This cost could be reduced if there were volunteers who could print and deliver the newsletters to 285 homes.

If you would like to have a community newsletter provided in the future, please contact McNeil Management at 571-7100.

Community Violations

Violation notices:

- Parking on the grass: According to our community's documents, parking on the grass is not permitted at any time. This includes easement areas (between street and sidewalk), lawns, grassy areas next to driveways, and common areas. Vehicles must be parked either in the garage, in the driveway (not blocking the sidewalk), or on the street in front of the house.
- Trash Cans in View: Trash cans and recyclables containers must be stored out of

view at all times, except when at the curb on collection days.

You can read more about these and other restrictions on our website (above) by clicking on the "Documents" tab, then selecting "Deed Restrictions and Rules" near the bottom of the page. You can also request a copy by contacting McNeil Management (see back page) if you do not have Internet access.

Our rules and regulations are important because they help to maintain the overall property value of your individual home, as well as the appearance of the entire community.

Show You Care about Your Lawn Care



Most homeowners in Random Oaks have Bahia lawns, which is perfect for year-round, low maintenance. Bahia lawns go dormant and turn a brown/tan color in the winter. When the weather warms up, they respond quickly to rainfall by turning green. You can help your lawn by fertilizing it regularly, mowing it frequently during the growing season, and seeding it

with ryegrass if you prefer year-round green color.

While Bahia is more drought and pest resistant than other grasses, it still requires water during droughts (as permitted by county restrictions). You must also watch for mole crickets and treat as needed. *(These tips taken from <http://www.bahiagrass.com/maintenance/index.html>.)*

Overall landscaping (flowers, bushes, etc.) is another way to improve and maintain the value of your home. Selecting Florida-friendly and drought resistance plants will enhance your outdoor landscape. You can learn more online at <http://www.floridayards.org/index.php>, or by contacting the county's Neighborhood Help Line at 272-6333.



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On the Calendar:

- April 22: HOA Board Meeting, 7:00 pm
- May 20: Annual HOA Meeting, 7:00 pm

Emergency/Fire call:
9-1-1

Non-Emergency Sheriff's Department:
247-8200

Board Members:

George Petrick,
President

Michael Janssen,
Vice President

Jerry Williams,
Secretary/ Treasurer

Exterior Alterations Require ACC Approval

As the weather begins to warm and you start planning improvements to your home or property, please remember you **must** submit a request to McNeil Management and wait for approval before beginning any project. Improvements include such things as exterior painting, landscape changes, installing a fence or a screened lanai, building a pool, etc. Exterior alterations that

are made without approval may be denied and you will be forced to remove them at your own expense. Visit our community website or contact McNeil Management for the proper forms.



You can print a copy of our Architectural Change Forms from our website by clicking on "Documents" on the home page, then look under "Forms" at the bottom of the next page. There you'll also find guidelines for fences, including height restrictions, materials, location, orientation, and maintenance. Please submit all requests in duplicate 30 days in advance for approval.



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