

GLEN



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NEWSLETTER

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS CORNER

We've had an eventful few months to start 2009. There were two Glen Eagle Homeowner Association meetings at which multiple topics from a new landscaping plan for our community's two entrances to the correct methodology for wood fence maintenance were discussed.

I'd like to highlight the exceptional efforts put forth by Tammy Meier, Tina Alenius and Wendy Salem who comprise our recently formed Landscape Committee. They spent a lot of time and effort on the behalf of us homeowners and at this past board meeting submitted their recommendation to have Ken-Lin Landscaping install the plants for our newly designed entrances. So, sometime during the next few weeks Ken-Lin will begin making the Landscape Committee's design a reality. Make sure you let these dedicated Glen Eagle homeowners know how much you like the fruits of their labor when you see them in the neighborhood.

On a related item for those residents searching to support the environment through "plant recycling": Check our website (www.gleneaglehoa.com) to find out when Ken-Lin will be performing our entrance landscaping transformation. At that time, all the removed plants will be made available, on a first come first served basis, to Glen Eagle residents for their use.

Many of the "grandfathered" wood fence homeowners attended the last two Association's Board meetings to voice support for their wood fences, specifically, those fences that received a warning notice from the Management Company regarding their deteriorating visual state. The notice indicated that these fences needed repair to be restored to a "like new" condition as required by our Covenants and Design Standards Manual (DSM). There was much discussion, however it was all summed up to those twenty or so homeowners with "grandfathered" wood fences as to their needing to keep the appearances of those fences properly maintained or risk having to remove the entire fence should it fall into an unacceptable state of disrepair with respect to our Association's deeds and restrictions.

Finally, as noted on our website, the City of Winter Springs had scheduled the remaining Glen Eagle roads that require new paving to have that resurfacing accomplished during March. Since March has come and gone, I reconnected with the City's Public Works team and was told that Middlesex Asphalt has been contracted by the City to do this work and would receive a Notice to Proceed on Monday, April 13, 2009. The asphalt paving company then has 90 days to complete the resurfacing. Please note that this is an outside (worst case) time frame and the Public Works team anticipates everything being done within 30-45 days after Middlesex Asphalt receives the Notice to Proceed.

That's it for now and we hope to see you soon at one of our community events. Tony Guarino – President

RODENT PATROL

It has been noted that large rodents have been sighted in Glen Eagle again. If seen in your yard, please



contact your pest control company and ask them to place bait traps to get the problem under control. If you have thick underbrush, dead plants, piles of leaves or rubbish, or fallen fruit, please clean these areas so we are not providing a place for the critters to nest.

Diana McGinty - BOD

NEW NEIGHBORS

Please welcome our new neighbor, Jeremy T. Wilson, at 711 Glen Eagle Drive.

RECIPE CLUB

The recipe club meets on the third Wednesday of the month. The recipes shared each month are theme based. If you would like to join in the fun, contact Wendy Salem at 407-902-8379 for more information.



GLEN EAGLE WALL



The Board of Directors is pleased to report that the repairs to the brick wall that encloses our community have been completed. It took over 2 years and involved 2 contractors, the first having taken our initial payment and doing very little work which led to our pursuing him legally (still an ongoing case with little hope of any recovery). The good news is that the total cost of the project paid to both contractors (over \$50,000) is only slightly higher than the original bid from the first. We were very fortunate to find KW Masonry Services to finish the job for a more competitive price than was originally contracted.

Many of the more costly repairs to the wall sections can be attributed directly to plantings such as pine, oak and palm trees, Sweet Viburnum, and other large plant varieties which are located too close to the wall. Their root systems have grown under the wall footings, and as the plants have matured the roots have enlarged and lifted the footings, cracking the mortar joints of the wall. Once the joints crack the wall becomes very unstable and in a high wind could fall over with the potential of seriously injuring someone. During the repairs, the Association did not remove any vegetation except as was necessary to gain access to the wall.

For those of you who own the properties along Winter Springs Blvd. and Northern Way, there is a 5-foot landscape and wall easement at the back of the property on which the wall is built. Considering the high cost the Association has just paid to repair the wall, we ask that each of you examine the plantings you have within 2 feet of the wall and see if their root systems have encroached into and under the wall. If they are growing under the wall, please consider having them removed so that the wall behind your respective homes remains strong and safe. Even if your plantings are currently small and you do not see any effect yet, as time goes on those roots are only going to get bigger and the cost of removal will increase. Keep your property safe and private.

If necessary, the Board may need to consider hiring an arborist or similarly qualified professional to examine the plantings along the wall and advise us which ones need to be removed. With your help and cooperation, the cost of the arborist is one we hope we do not need to incur.

Thank you.
Ed Creiger - BOD

BOOK CLUB



If you would enjoy meeting and discussing a selected book each month please call Annette Lampel at 407-247-3339. Each monthly meeting is at a different person's home.

COMMUNITY PICNIC

Mark your calendars for our Glen Eagle Community Picnic!

The date is **April 25th**, the time is **3 pm until 6 pm** and the location is the cul de sac of S. Nature Court. So come out to socialize with your neighbors! A great time is planned for residents of all ages!

We will have entertainment by our local neighborhood band, "7 Months Later", a catered barbeque, and a Bounce House for the kids!

Your Block Captain will be contacting you the week of April 18th – 23rd with available tickets or you may contact Chris or Renee at their numbers below to purchase tickets for your family.

Cost of tickets is only \$10 per family of four. Additional tickets are \$5 each. One ticket per family will be entered in a drawing for a \$50 gift card to a local restaurant! A sign up sheet will be available during ticket sales for optional side dishes or desserts and much-needed volunteers to help with set-up and take-down!

So come on out for a great time with your neighbors! Bring extra chairs and an appetite! We'll be serving up fun, some great barbeque, side dishes and dessert. We'll also have lemonade and water, or you can bring the beverage of your choice!

Any questions can be referred to Chris Fuller at 407-359-1612, chrisfuller@cfl.rr.com or Renee Ganoudis at 407-365-1751, ganoudis@bellsouth.net.

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