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President's Message



Submitted by Alycia Wood, HOA President

I want to thank all of the homeowners who attended our annual meeting in January. There was a great turnout of residents, especially as the agenda included an important vote on proceeding with a claim against the developer and the election of new board members. Before introducing the newest members of the board, I would like to extend a special thanks to Michael Woodman who served as President and Bettye Howard who served as Secretary of the association for the past two years. Michael and Bettye were members of the transition team as the community was turned over from the developer to the residents and have worked endlessly on issues to improve our community since transition. Thank you for your dedication!

At the annual meeting, there were three seats available on our seven-member board. Philip McLaughlin, Barry Rowe and Valerie Williams

were elected and will serve a two year term on the board. Barry Rowe will serve as Vice President and Valerie Williams will serve as Secretary and Co-Chair, Covenants Committee along with returning members Tom Cernera, Treasurer and ARC Chairman, Christin Hards, Landscape Committee Chair, and Bill Tidwell, Director, Amenity Center. We have a great team of residents and I look forward to working with them as we continue to improve our community.

On another note, at our annual meeting, there was an important vote on whether the association should proceed with litigation against the developer for defects in our community. There was overwhelming support to proceed with the claim. If you were unable to attend the meeting and have questions concerning the associations'

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President's Message continued

claim, please contact our property manager, Kevin Davis, as this information is public and as a homeowner, you have the right to review. I will continue to keep you updated on our progress.

As always, we invite you to attend our monthly board meetings which are held on the third Thursday of every month. We will allow an open forum from 6:30pm-7:00pm for questions and concerns from residents. If you have an issue for the agenda, please submit the request to our property manager at least forty-eight hours prior to the meeting. ❀

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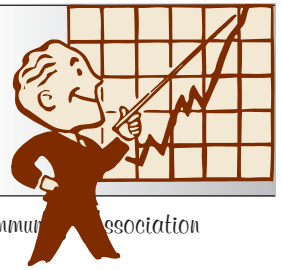
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Treasurer's Message

Submitted by Tom Cernera, Treasurer, The Sanctuary Community Association



2007 Results

I am happy to report that 2007 turned out almost as expected financially. Again, our Association was able to operate the year on a positive basis and we were able to meet some of our long term goals.

For 2008, the Board of Directors approved a budget that allows for

the normal growth of operating expenses and also developed a broad plan to completely fund reserves and long range capital improvements.

Our community faces challenges and obstacles like other many other communities. It is my feeling that we have considered and identified many of the problems that can arise and have a reasonable plan in place

to overcome these problems. Although we can never anticipate everything, I know we are in a very strong position to meet any situation head-on.

Through prudent spending and your cooperation in making timely payments, The Sanctuary will remain financially sound. We are taking a very close look at expenses each month; the improvements that are needed will be taken care of.

Over the next few months, you will be receiving the 2007 Financial Statement. I am sure that you will be pleased, as I am with the year end result. If you have any questions please feel free to call.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Cernera ❀

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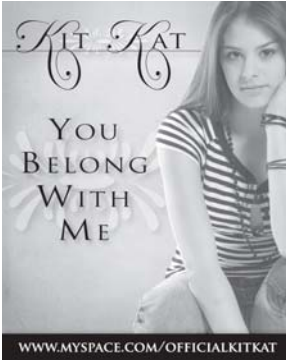
Past Events



@ The Sanctuary

Concert At The Amenity Center

A Live Concert was scheduled at the Amenity Center, Saturday, January 12, featuring **KIT KAT**, singer



Katherine Yemma and guitarist Adam Patarino, both Sanctuary Residents. We had a good turnout, and residents enjoyed pizza and soft drinks. Unfortunately rain, thunder and lightning began just prior to the start of the concert and it had to be cancelled. It will be re-scheduled at a later date.

A big thank you to Pam Beer for scheduling the music, and to Nikki and Larry Berman and Pam for all their hard work.

Breakfast with Santa

Special thanks to Pam, Barbara, Nikki and Larry for being such great helpers at our Breakfast with Santa. We look forward to seeing Santa again next year. ❀

The Sanctuary Traffic Study

Submitted by Bill Tidwell

There have been numerous concerns regarding speeding vehicles in our community. You may have noticed that on January 28, 2008, the City of Oviedo began conducting a study to see if our community qualifies for traffic calmers. This study took two weeks to complete and if we do qualify the installation of traffic calmers will need approval by 55% of the Sanctuary homeowners. Thank you.

*Tami Concepcion, Engineer III,
the City of Oviedo ❀*

Damaged Street Pavers In Our Community

Submitted by Bill Tidwell

The City of Oviedo is responsible for maintaining our roads, including street pavers. We have 20 sections of street pavers in the Sanctuary.

My wife and I inspected each section and put together a list of their condition, in the order of most needed repairs (1 thru 20) along with a map of our community with each section of pavers noted. We hand delivered all of this data to the city engineers. I have followed up with telephone calls to engineering and public works departments. Hopefully by the time you read this, the city will have taken corrective action. I will continue to follow up, until they do. ❀

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Covenants Corner

Presented By The Sanctuary Covenants Committee

Psst! Keep it to yourself

Neighbors recently have complained about dog owners letting their pet do its business in Sanctuary common areas and in other residents' yards.

Sanctuary regulations, city and county ordinances and state law consider anywhere outside your own pet's yard a "No Poop Zone." So if you're a pet walker, keep your neighbors happy by keeping your pooper scooper handy.

A number of obvious violations have been attributed to absentee owner neglect, and your covenants committee, management company and board of directors are leaning hard on these owners to shape up their property.

Some residents, sadly, also are at fault, either through neglect or unfamiliarity with Sanctuary regulations. If you're one of them, chances are we've received a complaint from an irritated or affected neighbor. Help us promote The Sanctuary to "Subdivision of the Year" status by doing your part to uphold Sanctuary standards. ❀

We need your help!

The Sanctuary's new management company is making a valiant effort to respond to homeowners' desire to maintain the community's high standards of appearance. When a neighborhood looks good, housing values stay higher, residents are happier and quality of life is better.



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Announcements



HOA Dues

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You are invited to Join us!

The monthly association board meetings will be held on the third Thursday of each month. Open forum at 6:30pm and Board of Directors @ 7pm. ❀

Spring Ahead

Change your clocks. On March 9 we begin Daylight Savings Time. Please mark your calendars and remember in spring we turn our clocks forward the night before we go to sleep, on Saturday, March 8. ❀

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Lost and Found

Gold plated link bracelet. Please call the office to identify item between the hours of 11:00am – 4:00 pm, Monday thru Saturday.



Sharks and Minnows

The Sanctuary will be holding summer swimming lessons taught by Sharks and Minnows Swim School for ages 6 months & up starting the 3rd week in May. These lessons are available to residents of The Sanctuary. For more information, times and dates, and to register for classes, you can contact the school at (407) 699-1992. ❀



Quote of The Month

"The purpose of life is to live it, to taste experience to the utmost, to reach out eagerly and without fear for newer and richer experiences."
- Eleanor Roosevelt

Volunteers Wanted!

Would you like to help with the activities at the amenity center? Call the office at 407-971-9749. You will be asked to give your name, phone # and email and will be notified as events are happening. Any help is greatly appreciated. Thank you for giving your time and talents.



How Do You Handle Allowances?

Some experts feel that giving a child an allowance, but not tying it to effort, helps establish in them a something-for-nothing attitude.

Other experts argue that tying a regular payment to household chores destroys the idea of community effort and establishes an "I-need-to-be-paid-for-everything-I-do" attitude.

The key is to give children an allowance and require them to do their household duties without tying the two together like a "work-for-hire" agreement. As part of a family or a community, parents take on certain responsibilities and gain certain benefits.

Parents need to teach their children that everyone in a family contributes responsibly to the overall running of the household or community. For example, when your children say, "But I didn't make that mess" or something similar, you can use the opportunity to give them a reality check.

Parents can point out how the multitude of household jobs – doing dishes, cleaning floors, cleaning bathrooms, doing the laundry, gardening, dusting, painting, and so on – provide for everyone's needs, and not just one person's needs. Children should be responsible for more than cleaning up after themselves.

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Allowances continued

The benefits of the family community include food, shelter, clothing, relationships, and allowances. Since children's allowances shouldn't be tied to specific tasks as payment, they can be explained as follows:

- *First*, the income that's earned for the family is household and community income and it's to be used for that purpose.
- *Second*, as part of the family or community, children receive income (or allowances) until they have income of their own. One of the primary purposes for this income is to help them begin to learn how to handle finances.

One of the big advantages to be gained by starting out this way is that you won't be in trouble later from difficult inconsistencies when your children's community responsibilities increase and their allowances eventually become nonexistent. ❀



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- William Arthur Ward*

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Daylight Saving Time Begins SPRING FORWARD! 9	REGISTRATION FOR SWIM LESSONS BEGINS 10	11	12	13 7pm ARB	14	SPRING FLING 15
Palm Sunday 16	St. Patrick's Day 17	18	19	20 First Day of Spring 6:30pm . OPEN FORUM 7pm BOD	Good Friday 21	22
Easter Sunday 23	24	25	26	27	28	29

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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I 6	7	8 HOA DUES due	9	10 7pm ARB	11	12
R 13	14	15	16	17 6:30pm . OPEN FORUM 7pm BOD	18	19 Passover Begins @ Sundown
A 20	21	Earth Day 22	Administrative Professionals Day 23	24	25	26
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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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18	SWIM LESSONS BEGIN 19	20	21	22	23	24
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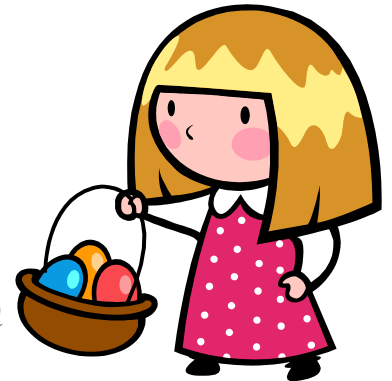


Family Spring Fling

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10:30am
Arts & Crafts
Refreshments

11:00am
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