

SADDLEWOOD

Owners Association Inc.

Happy Spring, Friends and Neighbors!

Newsletter: Saddlewood is going paperless with the newsletter! To help keep expenses low the newsletter will be available on the Association's website – www.SaddlewoodJax.com! In addition to the newsletter, you can find digital copies of the governing documents, frequently used forms, and other information regarding your HOA.

Spring is here: Without a doubt, the freeze was brutal this year! We will all be especially busy with routine maintenance to spruce up the exteriors of our homes and landscaping. Some will require more attention than others, but in the end, they all require a certain level. Spring clean ups should include fence repairs, pressure washing of houses, sidewalks, driveways and curbs, tree trimming (including palm fronds), landscaping and weed control. If your mailbox is leaning over, it is time to repair or replace. It was a cold winter, and many have enjoyed their fireplaces, it is always good practice to make sure they are cleaned regularly by a professional.

Tree and Debris Removal at Park: Pardon our dust while work is completed at the park to remove a dead tree and other tree debris. Workers will be present starting the second week of March through the end of the month to clean up the area.

Architectural Review Committee (ARC) Form: The ARC form is available at www.SaddlewoodJax.com. You do not need a username and password to access the form; the form is available on the front page of the website. It is important to remember that any modifications to your property must be submitted to the Architectural Review Committee for approval prior to work being done. Just because your neighbor had work completed that you would like to duplicate does not mean you are exempt from submitting an ARC form.

Violation Process: Over the past months we've received questions related to the compliance process and how long it takes to send violations over to the attorney. Below is an example of how the process works. Once a violation is submitted to Banning and confirmed as such, a letter is sent out. Yes, a physical letter is required by the Code. It's the law. Usually, a letter is all it takes to rectify a situation. We really do understand that things sometimes happen and life can get in the way and we quickly get behind. No big deal. But when residents ignore repeated requests, it gets difficult and expensive and a long, arduous and expensive process kicks off. These costs are shared by **all** homeowners through the annual dues.

So, we are asking, please open your paper mail. Please open your emails. Please check in on the www.SaddlewoodJax.com website and read our governing documents. Ask questions if you aren't sure of the rules. Please take care of your house and your yard. Let us work together to resolve these minor issues before they become big issues. This includes everyone - renters as well as homeowners.

Please feel free to reach out to the Board and the Banning Management Team. We are always ready and willing to assist you with issues or questions you may have.

Neighborly Common Courtesy

Be aware of the noise coming from your home which could carry throughout the neighborhood. Be mindful of noise levels to ensure everyone can enjoy their home.

Slow down when driving through the neighborhood. You never know who is crossing the street, walking a dog, or maybe someone is just learning how to ride a bike.

Picking up after our furry four-legged friends. We've had an increase in resident complaints about having to clean up pet waste from front yards and the common areas, like the park. Please clean up after your pets. Also, with the increased number of residents taking walks, please keep dogs leashed while in public spaces.

Courtesy is grace, kindness and consideration for others. Before you call Banning or a Board member to report your neighbor for leaving their trash can out until Saturday, consider walking next door and find out if they are okay. You never know when someone may be going through something and the small kindness of bringing up the trash can from the curb may mean everything to them in that moment.

General Reminders

HOA Dues: Q1 and Q2 HOA fees are due. If you prefer to pay electronically the link to Truist Bank can be found on the www.SaddlewoodJax.com website in the FAQ section. Your account number is found in the coupon book provided.

Community Yard Sale: Start preparing now! The Community Yard Sale is always the first full weekend in November, (7th and 8th). Signage and Advertising will be handled by Saddlewood.

Important Numbers

- To report cars parked in the street, contact JSO at 904-630-0500
- To report potholes in the street, contact 904-630-CITY (2489)
- To report sidewalk cracks or other sidewalk issues, contact 904-630-CITY (2489)
- For noise complaints contact JSO at 904-630-0500
- Banning Management 904-730-7071
- For all emergencies, please dial 911

If you would like a copy of the Covenants and Restrictions for Saddlewood please email Banning@BanMgtInc.com to request a digital copy or access directly on the Saddlewood website, www.SaddlewoodJax.com .

Thank you to all residents for working with us, your Board of Directors and Management, to keep Saddlewood a safe and pleasant place to live!