



Tan-Tar-A Estates Quarterly Newsletter

September 2008

NOTE FROM THE TRUSTEES AND STAFF

Now that summer is behind us, we are beginning preparations for the fall season. We hope that each of you had an enjoyable summer and found time to make new memories here at Tan-Tar-A Estates. If you see anything that needs our attention, please contact the management office and let us know.



COMMITTEE UPDATES

As always, a big thank you to all committees!! The trustees appreciate your commitment and valuable time that you give to our community.

2008 All Committee Meeting Schedule:

🌀 November 8th, 2008

Architectural Committee

Please remember that if you are planning a renovation of your Estates home, or making any other repairs/changes to the exterior, you must apply for a Building Permit. The appropriate forms are on our website or contact the Estates Manager at (573) 348-2706 to answer questions or get help in submitting your paperwork for a permit - thanks!

Assessment Review Committee

The Assessment Review Committee will be meeting on the following dates to review the 2009 Assessment:

- October 20, 2008
- November 3, 2008
- November 17, 2008
- December 1, 2008
- December 15, 2008

Compliance Committee

The Compliance Committee is always looking for new members. If you are interested in joining this committee please contact us at compliance@tantaraestates.com

Planning and Development Committee

Update: Planning the Future for Tan-Tar-A Estates

As many of you are aware, PGAV, a Design and Destination Consulting Firm, was engaged by Tan-Tar-A Estates LLC to strategically look to a positive future for the Estates and to increase property values by recommending a Master Plan to achieve these goals. The cost for this Master Plan is being underwritten by Tan-Tar-A Estates LLC.

PGAV's work has included meetings with stakeholders and with homeowners at three Homeowner Forums and Discussion Meeting's to get input and information. The data presented by PGAV at these meetings regarding current trends shows that there is a need for planning for the future of the Estates if we are to compete with newer developments. This is a very important project to the future of our community and that is why a team of consulting specialists was engaged.

Watch your mail for PGAV's recap and review of the steps and events that have taken place so far, and to ensure success for the future for TTA Estates, **we need your participation and comments**, so please take a few minutes to review the document when you receive it. The recap will be followed up by a personal phone survey administered by an outside firm, and again, **your participation is needed for the best outcome possible** - it will only require a few minutes of your time.

Listed below are some of the positive accomplishments that have occurred at Tan-Tar-A Estates with the TTAE Committees and the Trustees working together for our community's future:

- First and foremost – Tan-Tar-A Estates LLC investing in a consultant to help define the future of the Estates
- PGAV completed three Homeowner Open Forum meetings and focus group meetings to gather information from homeowners and stakeholders
- More effective communication opportunities through the TTAE advisory committees
- Collars/ Grates
- Water Hydrants upgraded
- Retaining Walls
- Railings
- Docks
- Signage

- Additional seasonal security(discontinued at the request of the TTAE Assessment Review Committee)
- Lighting
- Lamp post repair and cleaning program
- Trash hut maintenance program
- Repair of bus stops
- Repair and upgrading of pools
- Road tree trimming program
- Leaf removal program
- Additional flowers and plantings
- Seasonal decorations
- Lake Cable upgrades
- Internet accessibility in the Estates
- Annual shoreline cleanup program
- Onsite Property Manager
- TTAE Homeowner Newsletter
- TTAE website
- Site surveys of the homes in the Estates
- Bi-annual homeowners party

LEAF REMOVAL



Leaf removal season will soon be here again. Fire safety is of the utmost importance in our community, remains the main reason for leaf removal. Please

remember, if your brush and leaves are not separated, we will not be able to pick them up. It is a very difficult job to remove branches from the leaf machine's suction hose. If you have any questions regarding leaf pickup, or small brush removal, contact the office



We welcome and need your comments and suggestions. You may contact PGAV directly via email to ned.diestelkamp@pgav.com or at 314-231-7318; the TTAE Planning and Development Committee at plananddev@tantaraestates.com or stop by the Management Office and visit with Jackie Luttrell, our Property Manager.

Each of the committees has an e-mail address, which is posted on the "Contact" page of the web site. Those e-mail addresses are:

- ✉ architecture@tantaraestates.com
- ✉ compliance@tantaraestates.com
- ✉ plananddev@tantaraestates.com
- ✉ assessment@tantaraestates.com

TAN-TAR-A ESTATES HOMEOWNER'S E-MAIL LIST

Want to be one of the first people to know what is happening in Tan-Tar-A Estates? Please join our private mailing list to receive emails from the Management Office about news, events, issues, etc. Information is available on your website www.tantaraestates.com to sign up or contact Jackie in the Management Office to request your name be added to the e-list. As always, it is our policy to keep this information confidential and will only be used for our Estate communication purposes.



FALL CHECKLIST

- Prune trees, shrubs and hedges. Cut back and remove any dead or diseased branches.
- Disconnect garden hoses from all spigots before the start of winter.
- Seal any cracks and apply caulking and weather stripping wherever necessary. This will prevent heat loss and improve the energy efficiency of your home. Check around doors and windows, any exterior openings such as vents and fans.
- Inspect your roof. Check for any missing or damaged shingles and do any necessary repairs. Check for gaps in skylights and chimney flashing and seal.
- Close the attic vent to conserve heat.
- Have your furnace or heating system cleaned and serviced. Change filters.
- Protect your home from frozen pipes.
- Have a certified chimney sweep inspect and clean the flues and check your fireplace damper.
- Know where the main water shut off valve is located in your home and check it frequently to make sure it is operational.
- Fill in any low spots around the house so water drains away from the foundation.
- Repaint wood siding as needed.
- Keep roof, valleys, gutters and downspouts free from buildup of leaves, twigs and other litter preventing proper drainage. Neglected gutters can lead to wood rot problems, pest infestation, foundation damage and many other expensive complications.
- Reverse motor on ceiling fan.
- Test and replace batteries in smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.
- Examine fire extinguishers, recharge or replace as needed.
- Check bird and rodent screens for the attic vents to prevent any unwanted guests.

Spotlight on 35 Clearspring Lane



We are proud of our community, the hard work and improvements that are being made by our homeowners to make Tan-Tar-A Estates a top notch community and a wonderful place to call home. Thanks for your efforts - we hope to see your home in the spotlight next quarter.



For a better hay fever season

Treat fall allergies before symptoms begin. In some cases, hay fever is a minor nuisance. But if your symptoms are more persistent, they can make you miserable. They affect your work and your enjoyment of leisure activities. Finding the right treatment makes a big difference in how you will feel.

Weed pollen is the main cause of allergies in the late summer and early fall. Depending on where you live, the weeds will include ragweed, sagebrush, pigweed, tumbleweed and cocklebur. Ragweed is the number one offender, say doctors at Allergy and Asthma Care of New York. One plant can produce a billion pollen grains.

Generally, people wait to treat allergy symptoms until they start. But the best way to get relief is to treat symptoms before they show up. Allergists at the National Jewish Medical & Research Center in Denver say that if you know your symptoms begin in late August, start your medication before that time and increase your dosage as the season progresses.

Though fall allergies can be triggered by allergens from another season, the result is the same. For runny nose and sneezing: Ask your doctor for a prescription nasal corticosteroid or an over-the-counter antihistamine can also help.

For itchy, watery eyes: Prescription eye drops can stabilize the cells in the eyes that react to allergens and the drops can be used with other treatments.

For nasal and sinus congestion: Over-the-counter decongestants can help. If not appropriate for your medical condition, see your doctor.

Some allergy sufferers think their antihistamines are losing strength as the season progresses. Actually, their allergy is progressing and they need more medication or need to add another.

Courtesy of *Pages*



YOUR WEBSITE....

We have been updating your website at www.tantaraestates.com. Be sure to check the website for updates and Estates information. It's the quickest and easiest way to be in the know! If you have any suggestions or comments, please do not hesitate to call or email the Estates Management Office.

Reminder – keep your pets on a leash

Tan-Tar-A Estates welcomes dogs and other pets as long as they follow our over all guide line of "do not disturb others". Therefore we ask owners to keep pets on a leash, clean up after them, control barking etc.

2008 Deadline for Re-Foaming Docks Is Fast Approaching

A reminder for Tan-Tar-A Estates dock owners you have until December 31, 2008, to replace all non-encapsulated foam flotation material with encapsulated floats approved by AmerenUE.

For information on what types of flotation material are acceptable, please see Ameren's Dock Specification Guidelines:

www.ameren.com/ENVIRONMENT/ADC_EV_Flotation.asp



October is an important month for yard and garden

Spring is fun because perennials and bulbs are sprouting. And you are eager to get out and plant a garden.

Summer is nice because you harvest vegetables and enjoy the flowers.

Autumn, well, it's the poor relation when it comes to outdoor enthusiasm. But October is a particularly important time because that's when you set the stage for next year's bounty.

What to do now

- Dig and store tender summer- and fall-flowering bulbs like dahlias.
- Plant spring-blooming bulbs such as tulips and daffodils.
- Bring tender container or tropical plants inside. Put them in the garage, in a heated shed or indoors.
- Till the garden or turn the soil with a garden fork to expose underground pests to cold temperatures.
- Help the roses. Remove foliage around the base of the plant to prevent diseases. Cut away branches that show signs of decay or insect infestation. Spray roses and soil beneath with a fungicide. Put down a layer of mulch.
- Trim perennials to about four inches from the ground. Keep some ornamental grasses and perennials with seed heads to provide winter food for birds.

What to do later

- Reduce soil dryness and erosion in the garden by covering it with mulch or leaves. Do it after the first hard frost so critters don't decide to nest in it.
- Avoid extensive pruning of trees and shrubs before winter.

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WHAT'S UP! COMMUNITY EVENTS

Please follow the link below for information about local events in the area:

www.funlakelife.com/events.

Or the calendar on the TTAE Website:

www.tantaraestates.com

JUST A REMINDER:

Starting in the first quarter of 2009 we will no longer be publishing the Tan-Tar-A Estates Newsletter. All information about our community will be posted to the Tan-Tar-A Estates website at www.tantaraestates.com. We will send quarterly reminders, via email, to all homeowner's who we have email addresses. If you do not have access to a computer or the web, please contact Jackie Luttrell, at the Management Office, for additional assistance.

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