



# Homeowner Newsletter

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Our community web site: [www.oelhoa.org](http://www.oelhoa.org)

## **SWIMMING POOL NEWS**

Its great seeing families using and enjoying the pool !! New pool furniture is on its way and should be here soon. We ask that you familiarize yourself with the pool rules you received so we can have a safe environment when using the pool. Unfortunately, we've had a few problems that we'd like to address. Please be sure to clean up any of your food/trash from the tables and pool deck. We've had a problem with red ants around the pool's edge. Glass bottles are never to be brought in. We have little bare feet running around that we want to keep safe. Smoking is not allowed in the pool area. For the safety of our children, those under the age of 14 cannot be at the pool without supervision.

Fellow neighbors, this is our pool. We pay for the water and electric bill and the maintenance contract. So when leaving the area, clean up any food/trash, make sure the bathroom lights are off and the bathroom sinks are turned off. The Board is actively researching video surveillance for our pool and tennis areas to protect them from any vandalism. For safety concerns that need immediate attention call Janet McDaniel's cell # 404-493-5273 or Patti Berger's cell # 770-880-6767. For other concerns, please email [janet@oelhoa.org](mailto:janet@oelhoa.org) or [patti@oelhoa.org](mailto:patti@oelhoa.org). Concerns will be addressed ASAP,

## **OUR COMMUNITY**

As you know, the value of homes in this area have decreased within the past year. As Board members, one of our foremost concerns is in trying to maintain the highest market value of all the homes within our community. In order to achieve this, we've hired a new landscaper to improve the look of our entrance and all common areas. We've ordered new pool furniture and are making nightly visits to make sure the pool area is kept neat and clean. And our management company is communicating with homeowner's whose properties are in need of attention.

Properties that are not properly maintained DECREASE the value of that home, as well as, the homes around it. We are working very hard to ensure that Olde England Lake remains a desirable place to purchase a home and for you to be a proud homeowner.

ALSO, we are still on a watering ban. Homeowner's are NOT allowed to run automatic sprinklers or water their yards. More information is on our web site detailing what's allowed. Offenses begin with a warning and fines can go as high as \$500.

## **CAUTION - SCHOOL'S OUT**

School's out. Kids in the neighborhood are out doing what kids do...biking, running, playing ball...early in the morning til it gets dark. Please, be watchful of them and we kindly ask that you ride your break peddle when you see children playing in our neighborhood. Children are unpredictable and without even looking can run/bike out into the street or even run between parked cars.

## **TENNIS CLUB**

The tennis club here at OEL is going strong. There's always room for more to join the fun. Also, we have a tennis instructor who comes to our courts to give lessons. If interested, please go to our web site and email Kristie Long at [kristi@oelhoa.org](mailto:kristi@oelhoa.org).

## **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM**

Well over 80% of you signed up to have our community join the Neighborhood Watch Program through Cobb County Police Dept. But only 6 homes were represented at the meeting - thank you folks for coming! Officer Ballard gave a wonderful presentation that was very informative on keeping ourselves, our children and our homes and neighborhood safe. This Watch program will not work unless we have your cooperation. Our web site has more information.

**NON-Emergencies call 770-499-3911 24hr/day and for Precinct 5 Desk 770-499-4185** during regular business hours. Officer Ballard firmly stated that we are to call 911 for ANY situation you observe that cannot be explained or appears suspicious. If you call 911, dispatch will need pertinent information on what you've observed. Description of person(s), vehicle, tag number, location and activity involved. You will NOT be fined if officers come out and find nothing suspicious. **WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO BE BLOCK CAPTAINS OF 10-15 HOMES ON YOUR STREET.** They will receive all security information first then share with their block. Please email Allen at [allen@oelhoa.org](mailto:allen@oelhoa.org) to volunteer or if you have any questions about Block Captain responsibilities which are minimal.

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