



EAST LAKE COVE

NEWSLETTER

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Spring 2010

REMINDER- Quarterly Homeowners Assessment Fees were due April 1st

NEIGHBORHOOD PRIDE

As the weather has gotten nicer, a lot of us have been out and about enjoying the amenities we have in our community. From the dock to our new swing set, we have been partaking in the gorgeous weather! The Board was notified recently that vandals had destroyed numerous wooden slats on the dock by kicking them out. One of our neighbors, Mr. Brad Fogg, took time out of his schedule to help repair our dock. Mr. Fogg generously donated his time to help. Unfortunately, only a couple days later, more than 30 slats were once again destroyed. We are asking all residents to help police our community and our property. If you see something unusual or suspicious please contact the police as they will respond. We are not asking that if you see the vandals to stop them yourself, as that could be dangerous, but to call the police and notify the Board. Not to get political, but it does take a village – it takes our East Lake Cove Community to come together for us to truly have a sense of pride about our neighborhood. Acts of vandalism like this cost each of us money. Vandalism costs us money that we would rather spend on improvements for all to enjoy, versus having to use or raise HOA fees to pay for senseless repairs. The more volunteers we have, the more involvement we get from our neighbors, the better it will be for everyone. At our last Board meeting, we had SIX residents attend (out of that number, one was a husband and wife, so only five properties were represented!). I know we are all REALLY busy – trust me, I know, but please, even if your volunteer time comes as you are walking through the neighborhood and you see trash on the ground, pick it up! Together, all of us can make this a place we are so very glad to call home. If there are any committees you would like to volunteer to serve on, please notify one of the Board members or our management company. Please check our website for contact information and feel free to attend any of our Board meetings! The meeting notices are always posted on a sign at the entrance at least 48 hours in advance and are listed on our website.

ELC Ladies – Time for Bunco??

Spring has sprung and it is time to get out and about! Want a fun way to meet other ladies in the neighborhood? Bunco is an EASY, fun, simple game – and a great way to get to know your neighbors! For those interested in starting up an East Lake Cove Bunco group, please come to an information meeting on Friday, May 7th at 6:30 pm. The meeting will be held at 4972 Lazy Oaks Way. This is INFORMAL and just a way to see how many are interested and what time and night we want to play. If you cannot make this meeting and have ANY questions, please email me, Michelle Danker, at medanker@gmail.com or just stop on by the house. Look forward to meeting everyone and starting up our group!!!

CONDITION OF LANDSCAPING

The Board receives many complaints about the condition of some neighbor's lawns from other homeowners in our community. This can be due to the lack of mowing, the abundance of weeds, and dead areas. The Board has been sending letters to owners that have not been maintaining their landscaping as they should without much corrective action from some owners. The Board voted unanimously at our March Board meeting to have letters sent to property owners notifying them if the violations are not resolved, the Board may exercise its right to have the work done to have the violation corrected. Once services have been rendered and violation fixed, the bill would be sent to the property owner's HOA account. If the bill is then not paid, a lien could be placed on the property. Almost everyone's lawns and landscaping took a "beating" during the fall and winter this year and the last year also saw an abundance of damage and dead lawns from cinch bug infestation. Most lawns need regular treatment for weeds and cinch bugs to keep them healthy. Many yards have started to rebound from the effects of the weather and now is the perfect time to resod dead areas and replace any plants that didn't survive. When replacing dead areas due to cinch bugs, remember, you should treat the area for cinch bugs after removing the dead lawn but before installing new sod, or your new sod will just be a new food supply for the bugs.

YARD OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to East Lake Cove's Yard of the Month for April 2010 – 1909 Big Cypress Drive. If you are selected as an ELC Yard of the Month winner, the sign will be placed in your yard. After your 'reign' is over, we will remove the sign and reward it to the next recipient. We are proud to continue this recognition, as stated above, we know how hard it is just to maintain your yard with all the forces of nature battling against it! Once again, congratulations to this month's winner and we look forward to viewing and selecting the upcoming winners for spring and summer.

ELC PLAYGROUP

Attention parents of toddlers through grade schoolers!! New to the neighborhood? Want to meet other Moms or Dads? Want to get out and enjoy the beautiful weather while burning off some of your kid's energy? Every Thursday (weather dependent), come join us at Chisolm Park at 4:00. There is a nice park and playground located there. During the warmer months it is ideal as it has large oaks to provide shade and a cool breeze right off the lake! Any questions, please contact Michelle Danker at medanker@gmail.com or Cathy Ziel at cathy.ziel@uscm.org

ELC HOA BOARD MEETING DATES

Want to come to a Board meeting? Just didn't know when they are or have enough notice to plan for one? All homeowners are always welcome to attend all meetings. Here are the dates and the meeting location for the rest of the year. The meetings will be at the Narcoossee Community Center located at 5354 Rambling Road and are set for the 3rd Wednesday of every other month. We start the meetings at 7 pm. The dates of the Board meetings for the rest of the year are: May 19, July 21, September 15, November 17, and January 19. The November 17th meeting will be the annual Member's meeting and election of the Board of Directors for the following year. A notice sign is also put at our front entrance at least 48 hours prior to a meeting reminding everyone of the time and location, and this information is also listed on our website calendar. If you are unable to attend a meeting, the minutes are posted a few days after a meeting on our website under the news section.

To reach the Narcoossee Community Center you leave our community and turn right on Narcoossee Road. At the first road left, turn onto Jack Brack Road then take the second right onto Wiggins Road. Then take the first left onto Rambling Road. The park and community center will be on the right. This is less than 2 miles from our gate. We look forward to seeing you there!

REMINDER- AVOID BEING TOWED - NO OVERNIGHT STREET PARKING