



EAST LAKE COVE

NEWSLETTER

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Summer 2008

The members of the Board of Directors have been working on quite a few items at recent Board meetings. We have had to replace the fountain pump in the pond off East Lake Cove Boulevard across from the playground . It had quit working and was found to need replacing. The Board also has had to have some work done to repair and update the entrance gate system. It will now have a battery back up system in case of a power failure and an improved emergency responder system in case the police or fire departments need to gain access to our community.

HURRICANE SEASON - BE PREPARED

Summer weather is here!

The members of the Board would like to remind everyone we are now in hurricane season. There are many resources available to help make sure you family is prepared in the case of an approaching hurricane. Many of the local news outlets have brochures available in local grocery stores to assist with your preparations. The Board would like to remind everyone that if a hurricane is approaching, be sure to move indoors any objects outside your home that could become "flying projectiles" during the storm. This would include any patio furniture, solar lighting, trash cans, and other items commonly left outside. You may want to review your insurance policies and consider purchasing flood insurance which normally doesn't take effect until 30 days after purchase.

COMPLAINTS REGARDING PETS

The Board has received numerous complaints regarding homeowners not cleaning up after their pets in the common areas of the community or their neighbor's yards. There are pet waste cleanup stations at three areas in the community. They are located by the pond across from the playground, near the volleyball court by the lake access, and at the back of Big Cypress Drive. These stations include cleanup bags and waste receptacles. If you are not utilizing the pet stations, you should be carrying your own bags to cleanup after your pet and properly disposing of the waste. You are responsible for your pet and cleaning up its waste. It is not acceptable to leave your pets waste in the common areas or on someone else's property. This is in the guidelines of our community and also covered by ordinance in Osceola County. There have also been complaints of pets in the community that are not leashed when in the common areas. There is also a County ordinance that requires pets to be leashed when not on the owner's property. Please be a considerate neighbor and responsible pet owner so that neither the Homeowners Association nor County Animal Control has to get involved.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Architectural Review Committee (ARC) will meet immediately prior to our monthly Board meetings at 6:30 p.m. at the same location as the Board to review any requests submitted that month. The Resolution Committee will meet at that time also, if needed. Please feel free to attend as homeowners are always welcome at any Board or Committee meetings.

PLAYGROUND AREA - WE REQUEST YOUR INPUT

The Board has been discussing adding swings in the playground area. The Board would like feedback from all homeowners on how they feel about this issue. Please use the contact form on our website (www.eastlakecovehoa.com) or contact Board member Dennis Howard by phone at 407-593-2803 to let us know your thoughts. We would like to know how you feel as soon as possible so that we can either table it from discussion or complete the project if desired.

YARD OF THE MONTH

We are sure you may have noticed the sign appearing throughout the community announcing our Yard of the Month winner. This is a special recognition given by the community for homeowners that take exceptional care of their yards and landscaping. It is selected by our Beautification Committee each month. Monthly, we post the address of each winner along with a picture of their yard on our website. Congratulations and a big thank you to each of the owners. We are proud of all homeowners that show special pride in making our community a beautiful place to live.

Winners

March - 1934 Lazy Oaks Loop

April - 1901 Passiflora

May - 4932 Lazy Oaks Way

June - 1928 Lazy Oaks Way

CRIME NOTICE

It has been brought to the Board's attention that there have been reports of three home burglaries in East Lake Reserve (a neighboring community south on Narcoossee) in the last two weeks. The Sheriff's Office will not confirm details as there are open investigations. Remember – safety is all our concern.

DO NOT HESITATE TO CALL 911 IF YOU SEE ANYTHING SUSPICIOUS!

The following email was forwarded the evening of 6/18/08 to a homeowner in our neighborhood from someone in East Lake Reserve:

“Well, when times are tough the criminals come out to play and they have struck in our neighborhood! It doesn't matter where you live anymore,gated,ungated,etc;.People are getting desperate and crime is up. Today at around 10-10:30 am a group of five dark skinned men in a toyota avalon scoured our neighborhood and picked a house on Rachel Lin Ln to break into.They first knock on the door to see if anyone is home and if nobody answers they kick the door in.They are going after electronics such as plasma tv's,computers and cameras.There was a total of 3 breaks in's I believe in the last week in this neighborhood with 2 today.The other one that happened today is even scarier.They ended up tying up this 15 year old kid who was home alone while they took things.I have heard they were very nice to him and told him they did not want to hurt him but I can't imagine how scared he must have been.Anyway I am passing along this information.I am sure it will be on the news tonight.I also heard from a neighbor that they got a gun from one of the homes they burglarized in East Lake Reserve.Please be on the look out for suspicious individuals and cars that seem to be stalking our streets.We need to be vigilant and look out for one another.”