

JANUARY 2010

LAKE FOREST NEWSLETTER

Happy New Year ♣ *Happy New Year* ♣ *Happy New Year*

A MESSAGE TO ALL RESIDENTS

We wish everyone a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year. As we start 2010, we would like to thank all of our committee chairs, members and volunteers for all your hard work. Due to your dedication and hard work, 2009 could not have been as successful as it was. Working together, we were able to keep Lake Forest the premier community in St Lucie West, while maintaining the lowest fees.

Happy New Year

Jack, Jane, Jim, Maria and Frank

For the past several months we have been in negotiation with St Lucie West Services District as to who is responsible for the 12 inch irrigation main, valves, tees and valves, connected to the 12 inch line that runs from the north entrance to the south entrance along Lake Forest way. We have come to an agreement that it is their responsibility. They will be taking over maintenance and repair some time in January. This has lifted a great burden off all our shoulders. Repairs are extremely expensive. Just one valve repair costs between four and six thousand dollars. Last month we had to have a contractor make a repair to a 2 inch pipe on Indian Key Drive that was too deep for us to fix. The bill for the repair exceeded one thousand dollars.

Speed humps were installed at the stop signs on Lake Forest way and Crystal River Boulevard due to the fact that our residents have almost been run over while crossing the street (in the crosswalk) by driving residents running the stop signs. Also, speed humps were

installed at the gates. It was necessary because the gates are being hit on a regular basis by impatient drivers who can't wait for the gates to fully open. Over this past year we have spent several thousand dollars on gate repairs, not to mention the times we were able to repair the gates ourselves. **All the speed humps were measured and are between 1 3/4 and 2 1/4 inches in height**, painted yellow for visibility and signs posted.

Starting this month, **we have contracted with a new towing company.** They will be randomly driving through Lake Forest at any hour and towing vehicles that are in violation of our traffic rules (blocking a crosswalk, sidewalk, fire hydrant, parking on the street between 1:00am and 6:00am, and on the grass). A letter was mailed to you with your coupons explaining the same. To all owners who rent their homes, please advise your tenants.

The Board of Directors

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TREASURERS REPORT

For the Month Ending November 30, 2009

HOA Funds are held in the following accounts:

\$ 111,294.00	in our Operating Account
\$ 375,108.00	Invested in Various CD's and CDAR's
\$ 249,448.00	in Reserve Accounts
\$ 139,538.00	is owed to the HOA from delinquent owners.

Legal action is being taken against sixty-two (62) residents for non payment of fees owed the HOA.

Two (2) homes were sold in the community during the last month.

There are currently ninety-three (93) known rented homes in the community.

The HOA had a solid year financially, even with the hardships the real estate market caused us, and the numerous large projects which were completed this year.

Have a happy and healthy New Year.

Regards,

Jim Russello, Treasurer

KNIT AND CROCHET

We have put aside a day and time to knit or crochet.

If you know how, share your talents

If you don't and would like to learn, Marion Skrynski will teach you

Come and join the fun and meet new people

DAY

First class starting on January 4, 2010

TIME

12:30pm to 3:30pm

PLACE

The Lake Forest Clubhouse

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For more information contact:

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A Resident of Lake Forest

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Day	Date	Time	Event
Friday	January 1	Closed	New Years Day
Monday	January 4	9:30am 12:30pm 7:30pm	Water Aerobics Knitting and Crocheting Mah Jongg
Tuesday	January 5	1:00pm	Poker
Wednesday	January 6	9:30am 12:30pm 7:00pm	Water Aerobics Mah Jongg Poker
Thursday	January 7	1:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Poker Architectural Committee Mah Jongg
Friday	January 8	9:30am	Water Aerobics
Monday	January 11	9:30am 12:30pm 7:30pm	Water Aerobics Knitting and Crocheting Mah Jongg
Tuesday	January 12	9:30am 1:00pm 7:00pm	Board of Directors Workshop Poker Covenants and Restrictions
Wednesday	January 13	9:30am 12:30pm 7:00pm	Water Aerobics Mah Jongg Poker
Thursday	January 14	1:00pm 6:45pm	Poker Architectural Committee
Friday	January 15	9:30am	Water Aerobics
Monday	January 18	9:30am 12:30pm 7:30pm	Water Aerobics Knitting and Crocheting Mah Jongg
Tuesday	January 19	9:30am 1:00pm	Board of Directors Workshop Poker
Wednesday	January 20	9:30am 12:30pm 7:00pm	Water Aerobics Mah Jongg Poker
Thursday	January 21	1:00pm 7:00pm 7:00pm	Poker Architectural Meeting Mah Jongg
Friday	January 22	9:30am	Water Aerobics
Monday	January 25	9:30am 12:30pm 7:30pm	Water Aerobics Knitting and Crocheting Mah Jongg
Tuesday	January 26	9:30am 1:00pm 7:00pm	Board of Directors Workshop Poker Covenants and Restrictions
Wednesday	January 27	9:30am 12:30pm 7:00pm 8:00pm	Water Aerobics Mah Jongg Relay for Life Poker
Thursday	January 28	1:00pm	Poker
Thursday	January 28	7:00pm	Board of Directors Meeting at the Clubhouse
Friday	January 29	9:30am	Water Aerobics



MANY THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

Thanks to all volunteers for your help on the recent landscape project. Due to the folks listed below, our community continues to move forward with a number of landscape enhancement projects. Areas improved included the North Entry, the Clubhouse area, the Long Key Court Entry, the South Pool, the Lake Forest Walkway, as well as, some minor plantings in other areas. Thank you Dan Acenio, Frank Gionfriddo, Jack Minenna, Wayne Barnett, Frank Gomes, Dennis Prinz, Tom Czyzychi, Pete Kazmier, Earl Rager, Claude DeNunzio, Rich Koenig, Al Scerri, Jacky Duckett, Will Markham, Jose Triqueiro, Ron Ellison, Joe Matejek and Rod White.

Doug Duckett, Chair, Landscape Committee

And thanks to the many volunteers for their help in decorating the entrance areas and rotary of Lake Forest. You have made our community a beautiful place for residents and visitors alike. Thank you.

Dennis Prinz, Chair, Decorations Committee

CHRISTMAS WORD SCRAMBLE

Although Christmas has passed, we are still in the holiday season as you receive this newsletter. We are enclosing this word scramble for your enjoyment. The answers appear on page 10.

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| 1. nasa usalc | 9. oemct | 17. crdnae | 25. pdulhor | 33. raulel |
| 2. edrrenie | 10. slntei | 18. fsgit | 26. cgskstoni | 34. redba |
| 3. onws | 11. ztlbnei | 19. xeinv | 27. phpya ewn arey | 35. kyteru |
| 4. Itemstoei | 12. lebsl | 20. nlaced | 28. nrstsepe | 36. rbrencray auesc |
| 5. eter | 13. rndneo | 21. gsehil | 29. hgsilt | 37. mhssirtac |
| 6. lylho | 14. sbsubl | 22. terwsha | 30. rsioadotnce | 38. rlcsoa |
| 7. pduic | 15. glesna | 23. nrrapec | 31. danyc aecsn | 39. ntaspioeti |
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SANTA VISITS LAKE FOREST

On Saturday, December 12th, Santa Claus made a visit to the children of Lake Forest at the clubhouse. He arrived riding in a fire engine and was greeted with enthusiasm. Here are some pictures of the occasion.

Many thanks to Tom DePaola and his assistants for making this a fun day for all the children.



SPECIAL BOD AND COP MEETING

The first 2010 community meeting of the Board of Directors meeting will be held on January 28th at the clubhouse at 7:00pm. Come join your neighbors for an interesting meeting to learn what is happening in your neighborhood. This meeting will also feature information about the Citizens Observation Patrol (COP)

On that night, Deputy Glenn Hoffman from the St Lucie County Sheriff's Office Crime Prevention Unit, and also the Lake Forest coordinator, will be in attendance. He will inform us of what is happening in St Lucie County, giving safety tips and tips on crime prevention. He will also answer questions from those in attendance.

Come join this special meeting.

A MESSAGE THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

The Emergency Response Committee would like to thank everyone for all their hard work during the year in helping us toward our Community Goal of Disaster Preparedness and

self help.

Some major milestones occurred during 2009 that significantly helped us toward our goals and are as follows:

- **GMRS radios purchased** for Block Captains
- **Jackets purchased** for Block Captains.
- **Two Disaster Training Exercises** (Jack & Jane) were conducted with the assistance of The Saint Lucie County CERT and ALERT teams. The Saint Lucie County EOC (Emergency Operations Center) was also involved and manned the ARES EOC radio station.
- **Developed** a Flood Plan.
- **Participated in** the Saint Lucie County Amateur Radio Emergency Service Simulated Emergency Test (ARES SET) that included Saint Lucie County, Martin County, Indian River County and the State of Florida.
- **Received** the Eagle award from Saint Lucie County for Emergency Preparedness Excellence (the first one ever given).
- **Installation** of a backup generator at the Clubhouse (electric to be completed).
- **Received** a grant from the Florida Department of Health for training and Medical Supplies for our community.

These milestones could not have been completed without the help of the Board of Directors, Zone Leaders, Block Captains and the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).

All of us worked together for the common goal of helping our community be better prepared for man made or natural disasters.

I'd like to give special thanks to Peter Kazmier, Ben Vazquez and Larry D'Angelo for their advice and help during the year.

We have three new Zone Leaders this year: Bill Nugent, Yellow Zone; Larry Storms, Pink Zone; and Dan Green, Orange Zone. We look forward to working with them in 2010.

We will be designing a new portion of our Emergency Preparedness Plan, called Triage and Treatment. With the

availability of funds from the Florida Department of Health, and training from the American Red Cross, we will be able to enhance our service level to the community in these specific areas.

Anyone with a medical background who would like to assist in this area, please contact me or the Clubhouse.

As many of you are aware, we have a Lake Forest CERT Team. The CERT program offers training and equipment for first responders. The courses are given at the Saint Lucie County Public Safety Complex in Fort Pierce. For more information and class schedules go to <http://stluciecert.googlepages.com>

Thank you all and have a great New Year.

**Bud Sommers, Chairman,
Emergency Readiness Committee**

A HOLIDAY DECORATIONS REMINDER

As usual, many homes in Lake Forest were beautifully decorated for the holiday season. It was a pleasure riding around the community to see the variety of decorations that were used. Now that the holiday season is coming to an end, residents are reminded that all Christmas and Holiday decorations must be taken down by January 9th.



Chance Opportunity Drawing

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A NEW NEWSLETTER FEATURE

This month we are starting a new feature in the newsletter. Each month we will have a contest. It could be TV trivia such as we have this month. Or it could be a word search or a crossword puzzle. The solution will be given in the next months' newsletter. Prizes will be awarded for the correct answers. These may be a gift certificate to a local business, such as Home Depot or Walmart, or a restaurant. All answers must be submitted to the HOA Board at the clubhouse. You will have two weeks after the publication of the newsletter to submit your answers. The answers will be given in the following months' newsletter.

FIFTIES TELEVISION TRIVIA

1. Who was the pitchman for Texaco on the Milton Berle show?
2. On the same show, who was the ventriloquist and what was his dummy's name?
3. There was a show nicknamed TW3. What was the full name of the show and who was the host?
4. Who was the original host of the Tonight Show?
5. What was the name of the show Johnny Carson was hosting prior to becoming the Tonight Show host?
6. On the show "The Fugitive," who was the star and what was his characters name?
7. Two quiz shows, a) "What's My Line" and b) "I've Got a Secret;" who were the hosts, and name at least three panelists for each.
8. William Bendix played the lead in "The Life of Riley" on radio and TV. However, someone preceded him in the role on TV. Who was it?
9. Who was the host of "The Mickey Mouse Club?"
10. What was the name of the billionaire who gave away a million dollars to unsuspecting recipients each week?
11. Who played Superman on the TV show Superman?
12. Who was the star of the "Dennis the Menace" show?
13. What was the name of the cowboy show in which the star used an airplane instead of a horse?
14. On the show "Super Circus" who was a) the ringmaster; b) the bandleader; c) who were the clowns?
15. In September of 1960, one of TV's most startling statements was made. Who made it and what was said? (Hint: it was made on the Howdy Doody Show)

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| 2. reindeer | 10. tinsel | 18. gifts | 26. stockings | 34. beard |
| 3. snow | 11. blitzen | 19. vixen | 27. happy new year | 35. turkey |
| 4. mistletoe | 12. bells | 20. candles | 28. presents | 36. cranberry sauce |
| 5. tree | 13. donner | 21. sleigh | 29. lights | 37. christmas |
| 6. holly | 14. bulbs | 22. wreaths | 30. decorations | 38. carols |
| 7. cupid | 15. angels | 23. prancer | 31. candy canes | 39. poinsettia |
| 8. ornaments | 16. dasher | 24. cards | 32. chimney | 40. elves |

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**Articles for the February Newsletter are due
Tuesday, January 26th**

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