



AROUND THE LAKE

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2007 Starts with Election of New Officers

Our first General Membership Meeting of the year took place on 8 March 2007 at Kemper and Maureen Lear's home, where the election of Officers for 2003 took place.

Welcome to our new officers listed below:

- **President**
Marie Ventura
786-3490
- **President-elect**
Mike Boitnott
- **Vice President**
Therese Santos
- **Treasurer**
Michelle Boitnott
- **Secretary**
Drake Riggins

Please Drive Carefully

Again, we repeat a constantly heard refrain in Lake Acres: Please slow down and drive carefully in the neighborhood. There are a lot of small children playing and larger children walking in the area, and speeding raises concerns for all of us. With the advent of warmer weather, there will be a lot of joggers and walkers as well. Please be cautious, and THANKS.

Next Association Meeting

The next Lake Acres Homeowner's Association meeting will be held



Community Interest

Own a small business? Interested in babysitting or pet sitting? Do you offer a service that anyone in the Community could take advantage of? Please send the particulars to the webmaster and we'll see that you get some free advertising in the newsletter and on the web page.

Getting to know you!

If you are currently new to Lake Acres, please let us know who you are so that we may welcome you properly, keep you informed on upcoming events and add you to our directory. If you are interested in participating in any of the association committees or serving on the board, please contact any of the officers or committee chairpersons.

Lake Acres Web Site

Once again, we're going to focus on updating a the Lake Acres web site so you can keep up-to-date without mailing (don't worry, if you aren't computer linked, we'll always make sure the newsletters and important information are mailed to your home address). Our site will provide a place for keeping you informed on Comings and Goings and the activities of the Association (it might even help put a little spark into Association business). One advantage of the on-line newsletter will be the capability to see the publication in color. You'll find us online at www.lakeacreshoa.com. Currently, the site is only coherent if you browse using Microsoft Internet Explorer. The HOA Board of directors has approved an expenditure to rectify that situation. Stay tuned and you'll see our website shine. The webmaster appreciates any and all suggestions for features or articles. Got any great pictures of the Community? Send them to the

webmaster webmaster@lakeacreshoa.com in JPG format and we'll get them in the next newsletter and onto our web page.

ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY

The Lake Acres Adopt-A-Highway team will swing into action on **xxxx**, assuming the weather cooperates. Our community maintains the two-mile section of Gordon Road (Rt. 627) between the Ni River Bridge and Goshen Baptist Church. All residents are invited to participate. The more, the merrier! This is a great way to meet friends and neighbors and the more help we can generate, the faster the work goes. Normally, a crew of eight can clean the roadway in about two hours. No special skills are needed, just a willingness to work and a pair of sturdy gloves. Bags and road vests will be provided.

JUNK CARS

One of the our covenants focus on is the of "junk cars" neighborhood.



few things really presence in the

If you have a vehicle of any sort that is not properly licensed and registered, it should not be visible in your driveway, or on the street. You are responsible for seeing to it that the unlicensed, unregistered vehicle is out of sight. If you have one of these problems lying around, now might be a good time to call one of the charitable foundations that will remove the vehicle at no charge and provide you with a potentially valuable tax break! The board recently sent notifications to several lot owners that rent the property to address junk cars.

Lot Assessments Due

At the March HOA meeting, Homeowners Association Lot Assessments were established at \$25 per lot. Statements have been mailed out. Please try and get your dues paid as quickly as possible so we can get to work on some issues that need to be addressed.



If you are interested in serving on the neighborhood watch, please let us know. There have been several instances of vandalism in the past few months, and the Watch has proven to be an effective deterrent in the past.

An Issue of Concern for the Community

During the past year, an individual with access to a dated Lake Acres HOA phone roster included that roster in a letter mailed to an individual outside the community suggesting many Association members shared his or her views. The letter was vulgar and threatening, and in no way reflected the corporate position of Lake Acres HOA or any individual listed on the roster. The proper authorities, including the Spotsylvania County Sheriff and the United States Postal Inspection Service have been notified of the issue and provided with available evidence. The association will not tolerate this unlawful use of our organizational data for personal purposes.

BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR

Residents are reminded that the properties around the pond (not on the reservoir) are private.

Unless you have permission from the landowner, you do not have access to the pond for fishing or recreation purposes. Many of the Pond People are glad to extend access rights if you ask, but we would remind you that just because you've fished in the pond for years, you shouldn't assume that it is open for access to all.

Homeowner's Directory

We have recently completed an updated version of the Lake Acres HOA Member Directory. Look for it in the mail.