



# Lake Crest News

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## From the President

What a month it has been...I hope you all made it home safely during "Snowmageddon." My husband spent the night at his office; my daughter spent the night with a friend of a friend; my son made it to my mother, and after nine hours of driving (unsuccessfully) to get my children, I spent the night at my church, Hunter Street. If we do not have another snow for many years, I will certainly be happy.

"Thank you" to all who made it out to our Annual Lake Crest Homeowner's Association meeting. We had a decent turnout, but I would love to see more of you there. For our next homeowner's meeting, at the clubhouse, I would like to do something a little different. I would like for each family to bring an appetizer or dessert and we could spend some time getting to know each other before our "official" meeting. I will let you know more details as we get closer to the date.

Please stay safe as you travel in the snow and ice and please feel free to contact me with any suggestions or concerns.

Warm Regards,

Janie Bryant

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## Mark Your Calendar

Next Lake Crest HOA Meeting:

**April 7, 2014****7 p.m.****Lake Crest Clubhouse**

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## LCHOA Committee Chairs:

The following are the LCHOA committees and their contacts. If you have suggestions or concerns, or would like to serve on a committee, please contact the appropriate Chair.

### **Communication & Neighborhood Activities**

**Tricia Farris - Newsletter**  
979-5872  
plfarris@bellsouth.net

**Elizabeth Woodfin - Activities**  
988-8850  
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### **Lake**

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**ARC/Covenant**  
**Charlie Conklin**  
**Tricia Farris**

### **Pool**



*More information about community events, the Lake Crest*

*Covenants and Rules and Regulations, and forms to request ARC approval are available on the Lake Crest HOA website:*

[www.lakecresthoa.com](http://www.lakecresthoa.com).

## Traffic Complaints Continue

Speeding and on-street parking continue to be issues of concern to many Lake Crest residents. At the annual Homeowners' Meeting held earlier this month, several residents spoke out about the problems created when cars are parked on the street and the dangers that speeding cars pose to both people and property and they asked that the Homeowners' Association act on these problems.

**On-street parking:** According to Section 9-104. of the Hoover City Municipal Code, "It shall be unlawful for any person to park any vehicle: (1) Upon any portion of any paved roadway in the city having a width of twenty-four (24 feet) or less." The majority of streets in our neighborhood are less than 24 feet wide; therefore, any on-street parking is a violation of city ordinances and police can and will ticket offenders when notified.

Parking on the street reduces the road from two lanes to one. Several of our streets have areas where visibility is limited and moving to the middle of the road to avoid parked cars creates the potential for a collision with on-coming traffic—especially if those cars are exceeding the speed limit. In some cases, on-street parking causes a situation that would make it difficult for emergency vehicles to respond to a call. Several residents have commented that cars parked on the street either block their driveways or make it difficult for them to get out of their driveways.

**Speeding/Stop Signs:** Please obey the posted speed limit on all streets in Lake Crest and come to a complete stop at all stop signs. Remember that we have children who often play in their yards and may dart into the street to retrieve a toy. We also have many walkers and joggers who cross the street at intersections. Of particular concern are cars speeding down the hill on Lake Crest Drive toward the Clubhouse and cars coming down the hill toward Preserve Parkway from the intersection of Flag Circle and Lake Crest Drive.

Despite frequent homeowner requests, the HOA has no authority to enforce Hoover traffic ordinances within our neighborhood. It is up to each of us to be considerate of our neighbors and their safety and to obey these ordinances. Please ask visitors and tradespeople to park in your driveway. If you see a situation that you think poses a danger, please contact your neighbors directly or call the Hoover police who have assured us that they will issue tickets.

## ARC Update

As you begin planning repairs, replacements and improvements to the exterior of your home or landscape this Spring, please be sure to secure the necessary approvals from the Lake Crest Architectural Review Committee before beginning any work. You will find these forms on the LCHOA website at <http://www.lakecresthoa.com/arcforms.asp>.

## HOA Financial Report Available

A copy of the 2014 HOA Budget as presented at the Annual Homeowners' meeting is available for review on the LCHOA website at <http://www.lakecresthoa.com/boardminutes.asp>.

## Welcome New Board Members

Congratulations to Felicia Brewer and Lee Hood who were elected to the Lake Crest Homeowners' Association Board at the Annual Homeowners' meeting and to Toni Shrader who was elected for another term. Many thanks to Emory McDaniel who completed two years of service on the Board.

Just a reminder that many of the amenities we enjoy here in Lake Crest are due to the efforts of our volunteer board and committee chairs. There are many opportunities for residents to become involved—from attending HOA meetings to serving on the ARC or helping with our annual pool party and children's events. If you would like volunteer, please contact HOA President Janie Bryant at [janiebryantlchoa@gmail.com](mailto:janiebryantlchoa@gmail.com).



### Join Us on Facebook

The Lake Crest Homeowners' Association is now on Facebook! We have set up a closed Facebook group for Lake Crest residents to share information of interest to other neighbors. Since so many people use Facebook regularly, this provides a way to communicate information more quickly than our bi-monthly newsletter allows.

To join the group, type Lake Crest Homeowners' Association into your Facebook search box. When you reach the page, you will see a prompt that enables you to ask to join. We have three page administrators—Janie Bryant, Tricia Farris and Amy McCarthy—so your request should be approved quickly. By making this a group that requires authorization to join, we hope to protect the privacy of residents and minimize the amount of outside spam.

We hope that you will find this a convenient way to receive HOA news and to communicate information of interest to your neighbors. For example, during the recent winter weather event, residents were able to share information about the condition of roads to and within Lake Crest. We ask that you keep all posts and responses pleasant and constructive.

We will continue to send out the Lake Crest News six times per year and will also post information on the Lake Crest website, [www.lakecresthoa.com](http://www.lakecresthoa.com).

### 2014 HOA Dues

Notifications for 2014 Lake Crest Homeowners' Association dues were mailed to homeowners in early January and are now due. If you did not receive a copy of this dues' notification, please contact Lake Crest Property Manager Jody Northcutt at [lchoa@bellsouth.net](mailto:lchoa@bellsouth.net) or 987-9392. Please be aware that homeowners must be current in their dues to participate in HOA events and elections. Information regarding pool access for the upcoming swimming season will be mailed only to those homeowners who have remitted their 2014 dues and have no outstanding fines for covenant violations.

Thank you to all who sent in the form to update their contact information. It is important that we have up-to-date information on hand so we can make sure you receive your newsletter and other communications. If you have not yet done this, please contact Jody Northcutt.

LCHOA  
Business Manager:

**Jody Northcutt**

Please submit neighborhood questions or concerns to by one of the following methods:

**Mailing Address:**

Lake Crest Clubhouse  
581 Lake Crest Drive  
Hoover, AL 35226

**Phone:**

205-987-9392 (office)  
205-296-4876 (cell)

**Email:**

[lchoa@bellsouth.net](mailto:lchoa@bellsouth.net)

**In Writing:**

There is a locked mailbox next to the pool gate.

**CLUBHOUSE RENTAL**

The neighborhood clubhouse is available for your use. The rental cost is \$60 plus a \$150 damage cleaning deposit. If the clubhouse is left as clean as at the start, the deposit check is torn up. The \$60 is non-refundable if the homeowner cancels. If you are interested in renting the clubhouse, please call **Jody** at 987-9392.

**PLEASE NOTE: The pool is not part of the clubhouse rental nor can the pool be reserved.**



## Be a Good Neighbor

One of the most frequent complaints to the Lake Crest HOA involves homeowners who fail to pick-up after their pets when walking them. **Please remember to immediately clean up after your pet.** Take along a baggie with you to pick up waste and then dispose of it properly. Also, when walking your dog in our community, please remember that it should be leashed. Thank you for your cooperation!

## Free Yoga Being Offered at Clubhouse

Free yoga is being offered at the Lake Crest club house every Wednesday morning at 9:00 a.m. Beginners are welcome. Please bring a yoga mat and a bottle of water. Contact Karen Huffman at [klhuffma.kh@gmail.com](mailto:klhuffma.kh@gmail.com) or 914-1851 with any questions.

## Limbs and Landscape Debris

As the weather begins to warm, many residents will begin trimming crape myrtles and other shrubs and trees. If you hire a landscape contractor, please ask that they haul away any limbs. Trimmings that are placed curbside for pickup should not block the sidewalk or street.



Please note the following information from the City of Hoover's website, [www.hooveral.org](http://www.hooveral.org), regarding pick up of limbs and landscape debris:

*To be added to the list for a special collection, contact Allied Waste at 205-923-1650, City of Hoover Public Works Department at 205-444-7543 or submit online. Crews on the garbage trucks can sometimes gather small piles of limbs but in most cases it is best to inform us. Only debris generated by the homeowner will be collected. It is the responsibility of hired landscapers, tree services, roofers, remodeling companies, etc. to remove any materials/debris generated by their crews.*