



Lake Crest News

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From the President

Due to personal reasons, Janie Bryant has resigned as president of the HOA. Over the past few years Janie has worked very hard to improve our neighborhood, especially in regard to some needed clubhouse improvements and keeping our children at Gwin, and we appreciate her service. I was asked to replace her and I look forward to continuing to work with our current board members in making this neighborhood one of the best in Hoover.

Our annual garage sale, pool and ice cream parties all were tremendous successes and I hope everyone who participated enjoyed those days. We need to thank all the committee members and volunteers who helped.

Recently we took bids and replaced the flooring and the heating/air conditioning at the clubhouse. Both were worn out and needed replacement. Some minor remodeling and painting were done as well to freshen up the interior. As your new president, I want to assure you that we will respond as quickly as possible to HOA needs and your questions. We are currently beginning to look at some long-term projects that need our attention like the walking path, an exterior remodeling of the clubhouse and tennis courts. A lot of our major common areas are close to 20 years old and are in need of attention soon.

In our last newsletter we asked homeowners to take a look at their mail box, post and flag to see if it needed attention. As I drive through the neighborhood, it seems some did not get the message. I know you're thinking, "It's just a mailbox. What's the big deal?" The mailbox and the front of your house and yard are some of the first things prospective homebuyers see when they enter our neighborhood besides our well-maintained landscape and entry areas. The value of our homes is the big deal; everyone benefits when all the homes and exteriors at Lake Crest are kept up. Dull mailboxes, uneven and unpainted posts and unkempt yards keep the values of homes down. I am sure the HOA would hear from everyone if the entry areas were not maintained on a regular basis.

Recently I observed three to four Lake Crest families take it upon themselves to spruce up a yard that was in need of attention because the

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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.

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Pool

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homeowner has been ill and could not take care of the yard. What a difference it made to the home and the overall look of the street it was located on! Thank you for your community service and pride. Perhaps there is someone you know who needs some help like that in our neighborhood.

Should you have questions or concerns, I can be reached at cconklin@lakecresthoa.com. Have a great summer!

Regards,
Charlie Conklin
President, Lake Crest HOA

Covenant Non-Compliance Notifications

It has recently come to the Board's attention that many homeowners received 'First Notice' letters in May and 'Second Notice' letters in June for violations noted by McKay Property Management. These letters were not sent out in accordance with the HOA's Enforcement procedures as stated in the Rules and Regulations on the Lake Crest HOA website, www.lakecresthoa.com. There should have been no letters sent out in May. The letters sent out in June were meant to bring attention to violation(s) noted two months in a row and a request for the homeowner to address the issue(s). We apologize that these procedures were not followed by McKay. At the current time, there are no fines being issued and we trust that everyone who was made aware of any violations will address them. We are working with McKay to make clear our procedures and expectations for their future service to this neighborhood. Thank you for your understanding and patience.

Mailbox Maintenance

Several homeowners have contacted the HOA to ask where to purchase replacement parts for damaged mailbox posts and brackets. If you need a new post or part for your mailbox, please contact Lawler Manufacturing. More details and contact information can be found on their website, <http://www.lawlermfg.com>. Please review the mailbox specifications found in the Lake Crest Rules and Regulations to make sure you are ordering the correct mailbox parts for your area of Lake Crest. Orders can often take several weeks to arrive. If you receive a notice for a mailbox violation and find that there will be a delay in receiving your parts, please email Lake Crest Property Manager Jody Northcutt at lchoa@bellsouth.net or call her at 205-296-4876 to let her know you have ordered the parts.



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.

Lake Crest Pool Update

We hope everyone is enjoying their summer. We are happy to announce we received a 93 from the board of health for our latest pool inspection. There were some things that we are working on to have fixed such as the ladders, flappers in the skimmers etc. that should be completed shortly which will make that number even higher.



Many of you saw an article on al.com earlier in the summer regarding our low pool score last year. It was unfortunate that the whole story was not discussed in the article as to why we received such a low score. With our pump being broken at the time, we had the pool closed waiting to be repaired. The inspection took place during that window and thus resulted in such a low score. Once the pump was repaired, the pool was reopened and the chemicals were brought into compliance. We have been inspected twice this year and both times we received a score in the 90s. Two years ago our score was 100.

We are working hard to keep the pool clean and safe for everyone's enjoyment. Our pool monitors check the chemicals three times a day in addition to their other duties. We could use everyone's help in a few areas:

- Please no food on the pool deck or in the pool. We have seen food (including sunflower seeds) left on the pool deck which is not only unsanitary but can damage the pool. Please put all trash in the trash cans when leaving the pool.
- Please no bottles on the pool deck. This is unsafe and can also damage the pool. Please use cups or cans instead.
- Please watch the rough play. Hard objects such as volleyballs and solid water guns are not allowed. This can cause injuries to other swimmers.
- Please use appropriate behavior while in the pool. We have seen inappropriate public displays of affection and have had residents complain.

The rules are posted at the pool and your assistance in following these will add to all of our enjoyment of the pool. Also, please encourage your teenage children who may be unsupervised to follow these rules as well. For reference, you can also find our pool rules posted on the Lake Crest HOA website at <http://www.lakecresthoa.com/pdf/resources/PoolRules.pdf>.

As always, if you have ideas for improvements, please let us know. Enjoy the rest of your summer!

HOA Meeting Minutes

For those unable to attend the June Homeowners' Association Meeting, the minutes are available on the HOA website at <http://www.lakecresthoa.com/boardminutes.asp>

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:
205-296-4876 (cell)

Email:
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.

Mark Your Calendar

- The next HOA meeting is scheduled for August 3, 2015 at 7 p.m. in the Lake Crest Club House.
- The annual Lake Crest Back to School party is being planned to coincide with the Gwin Elementary Meet Your Teacher day. Watch for more information.

Join Us on Facebook

The Lake Crest Homeowners' Association is on Facebook! We have set up a closed Facebook group for Lake Crest residents to share information of interest to other neighbors. 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. 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. 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.

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!



Traffic Safety

Summer weather means more children playing outside and more neighbors walking and jogging on our sidewalks and streets. Please be observant as you drive through Lake Crest and obey all posted speed limits and traffic signs.

If you have workers at your home or are entertaining friends or relatives, please make sure that their parked vehicles do not block neighbors' driveways or interfere with their ability to see oncoming traffic. Whenever possible, ask that they park in your driveway rather than on the street.
