



Lake Crest News

A Note From the President

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Fellow neighbors,

Welcome to another new year. I hope everyone had a safe and joyful holiday season.

First of all, let me remind you of our annual meeting on February 7th. Each homeowner should have received the announcement in the letter with your annual Homeowner's Association dues statement. I encourage each one of you to attend and get involved.

I have two items of interest for this edition of our newsletter. First, let me remind all drivers to observe our speed limit of 25 mph. We have had numerous complaints from our neighbors regarding speeding on our neighborhood streets. Your board will be discussing with Hoover Police regarding the patrol of the neighborhood. You should expect Hoover Police to be on the lookout for speeders. We need to keep our neighborhood streets safe for everyone, especially our children.

Second, we have safety issues with electric scooters and miniature motor bikes. Non-licensed vehicles are not allowed on Hoover City streets. Hoover Police will issue citations if these vehicles are operated on neighborhood streets. These vehicles are very dangerous and should not be operated on our streets. Also, if these vehicles are operated on our

sidewalks,

they should be operated at a safe speed to not interfere with pedestrians.

We recently had two families out for a walk with their children and they were almost run down by children on the miniature motor bikes. I strongly encourage parents to be responsible and speak with your children regarding the use of scooters/motor bikes. I can tell you it is very difficult to see these vehicles driving out of our driveways. All operators should expect a vehicle moving in or out of driveways at any time. As I write this letter on Sunday afternoon, two miniature bikes just went down Lake Crest Drive.

Your Board has approved updating the interior of our Club House. Please take the time to go by and take a look.

I look forward to seeing you at our annual meeting.

-Rick Franks
President

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Covenant Corner

LCHOA Committees

The following are the Lake Crest Homeowners' Association committees and their contacts. If you have suggestions, or concerns or would like to serve on a committee, please contact the appropriate chairperson.

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As previously mentioned in the president's notes, the use of miniature motorcycles and scooters has greatly increased in the neighborhood. Due to the safety of neighborhood residents, the use of these vehicles must adhere to the covenants adopted for the Lake Crest Development.

According to Section 6.32, "Only drivers licensed to operate motor vehicles by the State of Alabama or by any other state in the United States may operate any type of motor vehicle within the Development. All vehicles of any kind and nature, which are operated on the streets in the Development shall be operated in a careful, prudent, safe and quiet manner, with due consideration for the rights of all residents of the Development."

Please speak with your child about use of the vehicles and make sure that the covenants are followed. This is only for the safety of everyone.

Communications

- Some neighborhood residents have been receiving copies of a Lake Crest newsletter via email from a local real estate agent. This newsletter is NOT the official neighborhood newsletter. The official neighborhood newsletter is produced by your neighbors and is only available via the website or hard copies placed at the clubhouse.
- Please remember to access the neighborhood website as a resource for community information, such as current and past issues of the newsletter, neighborhood activities, covenants, forms, neighborhood resident directory and contact information for the property manager, board and committee heads.
- The Communications and Activities committees have been combined. They continue to meet every two months. Please contact one of the three-committee heads for more information on future meetings.
- There are signs located at each entrance listing the neighborhood web address: www.lakecresthoa.com. Periodically other signs are posted at these locations for other neighborhood news, such as board meetings, all-neighborhood meetings and activities.

In addition, The lake and adjacent nature trail are two amenities that make our Lake Crest community special. Here are a few provisions from the *Architectural Guidelines And Covenants* that are designed to maintain the natural beauty of these amenities while encouraging their use by residents.

- *No motor-driven boats of any type are permitted on the lake.
- *Boats should be no longer than sixteen feet in length and be of earth tone colors.
- *Boats must be stored out of view from the lake when not in use.
- *Fishing is permitted from the shore or a boat with only artificial bait.
- *No swimming is permitted on the lake. That means no entry by a person into the lake.
- *No wheeled vehicle of any sort is permitted at any time on the nature trail or dam. This includes no bicycles, tricycles, mopeds, etc. However, a stroller or baby buggy may be used to transport an infant or small child.

Neighborhood Notes

- Because of ongoing problems such as theft of outgoing mail and vandalism, there has been a discussion about a Neighborhood Watch program. The City of Hoover will be contacted.
- There has been a request for additional stop signs to better control traffic. This will be investigated.
- The Association has received money from the damages to the stop sign at Bear Trace and Crystal Circle.
- The Annual Meeting of the Lake Crest Residents will be held February 7, 2005, at 7:00 pm. Please make plans to attend.
- All regular board meeting are the second Monday of the month and all residents are invited.
- **REMINDER:** Lake Crest Homeowner's Association Dues are due no later than January 31, 2005.

Pool Update

- Winter maintenance of the pool and the addition of extra lighting have been discussed. More information will be available as final plans are approved.
- The pool will be scheduled to open in early May if the appropriate monitors can be available. Please contact Charlie and Pam Conklin if you are willing to help with pool monitoring.

Landscape Update

- A Landscaping Committee meeting was held on Jan. 2nd. American Lawn Care was invited to speak about activities and the possibility of adding seasonal flowers to the neighborhood.
- The Oakmere Carriage Homes will have an additional assessment for lawn care, although the cost is unknown at this time. This fee will be in addition to their Homeowner's dues of \$480.

Finance Update

- A proposed budget for 2005 was reviewed and accepted by the Board.
- There is \$12,000 in Homeowner's dues left to collect through small claims court.



Legal Update

- If you are interested in being a part of this committee, please contact **Marc Follmer** at marc.follmer@compassbnk.com or at 982-7829.

**Lake Crest
Homeowners Association
Property Manager:**

Steve Braswell

**Please submit
neighborhood questions
or concerns in writing
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***Written submissions can
be dropped in the
locked mailbox
located next to the
pool gate or mailed
through standard mail.**

Don't Forget:

Lake Crest Annual Meeting

February 7, 2005

7:00 pm

Presbyterian Church of the Hills Auditorium

(The church is located at the top of the hill of the Hwy. 150
entrance to the Lake Crest subdivision.)

We hope to see you there!