



Lake Crest News

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From the President

"Happy Spring" Lake Crest neighbors!! Now is the best time of year to enjoy the great outdoors: have a picnic, ride bikes, take a walk by the lake, go to the playground, and enjoy the perfect weather! Winter seemed relatively short and mild *for us* this year and I know we are all thankful to have dodged another "Snowmagedden," unlike so many other areas of the country.

Our pool at Lake Crest is set to open May 2; we are looking forward to seeing you there! Our Annual Yard Sale is set for June 13, so be watching for details in the upcoming weeks.

Recently we replaced the flooring in the clubhouse and repainted the inside. Please take a moment to stop by and see it sometime. We are also making other minor improvements to update the clubhouse.

On another note, I have personally visited with Spectrum Environmental and addressed the concerns we have regarding our lake and its troubled ecosystem. Spectrum has promised to provide me/us with the entire report from beginning to present sometime this week.

Nature Scape, our new lawn maintenance company, has started their normal rounds in the town and carriage homes. So far, I think they are doing a wonderful job on the flower beds and general landscaping of our neighborhood. Your yards and homes are looking starting to look beautiful and refreshed! Remember to take a look at your mailbox and see if it needs a fresh coat of paint or if it needs to be replaced. I replaced ours last year and it really does make a big difference.

Let's make this our best summer yet in Lake Crest. Introduce yourself to neighbors when you are out enjoying the beautiful weather. Please let me know if there is anything you need!

Best Regards,
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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

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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.

Lake Crest Pool Opening in May

The Lake Crest pool will open for the 2015 season on Saturday, May 2nd.

All homeowners who are current on their HOA dues should have received a letter in the mail with all the information for this year's use of the pool including rules, hours and pool access, including this year's pool code. **Please do not share this code with anyone outside your family as you may lose your pool privileges.**

To try and reduce non-resident use of our pool, we will be having an off-duty police officer patrol the pool especially during after school hours where we see a rise in use by non-resident students. Please share this with your family members and make them aware of the pool rules and the number of guests allowed per household. The pool rules can be found on the Lake Crest website at <http://www.lakecresthoa.com/pdf/resources/PoolRules.pdf>.

We will also continue to have our pool monitors service the pool and be available during pool hours to check residents and guests in. We will be having pool monitor training in May to make sure they are trained on rules and procedures that they will be enforcing this year. The pool monitors appreciate you and your family members and guests following the rules and doing all you can to keep the pool enjoyable for all of Lake Crest.

Also, we will be having our annual pool kick-off party on Saturday May 9, 2015 from noon until 4 p.m. We will be serving hamburgers and hot dogs and beverages and will have live entertainment. This is a great time to come meet your neighbors as we get ready for summer.



Club House Improvements

The Lake Crest clubhouse has received several much-needed updates. A new air conditioning system and new flooring have been installed. The walls and cabinets have been painted and new ceiling fans were added. These changes have improved the look of the clubhouse tremendously. The Clubhouse is available for rental by Lake Crest residents. See page 3 of this newsletter for information about rental procedure and rates.

Mailbox Maintenance

It has been over two years since the HOA asked homeowners to make sure their mailboxes were in compliance with the Lake Crest Rules and Regulations and many mailboxes and posts are showing need of maintenance. If your mailbox is in need of a touch up, please refer to Rule 4 of the Lake Crest Rules and Regulations, found on the Lake Crest website, for the proper paint colors according to your section of Lake Crest. The HOA asks that you refresh your mailbox paint if needed and complete any necessary repairs by June 1st.

ARC Update

The Lake Crest Architectural Review Committee (ARC) has been very busy this spring with many homeowner requests regarding improvements to their homes. Please be aware that per the Lake Crest Covenants homeowners must request approval from the ARC **before** making any changes to exterior or landscaping of their home. This includes, but is not limited to, improvements such as re-roofing, window or door replacement, painting, fencing, deck replacement or additions, and landscaping, including removal of any trees.

Forms to request ARC approval are available on the Lake Crest HOA website, www.lakecresthoa.com, and should be submitted to Property Manager Jody Northcutt prior to beginning any work on the home. Please be sure to fill out the forms completely and provide all the requested materials so that requests can be handled as quickly as possible.

Please submit your requests well in advance of the proposed start date for your project. The ARC does its best to handle all requests promptly, but when there are a large number of requests that come in, such as there have been this spring, we must consider requests in the order they are submitted, allowing sufficient time for review by all committee members.

Annual Lake Crest Yard Sale

The annual Lake Crest Yard Sale has been scheduled for Saturday, June 13. Each home participating in the yard sale sets up its own sale in its driveway or garage. The Lake Crest Homeowners' Association will place ads in local publications advertising the sale and will place signs at the entrances to Lake Crest. It's a great way to recycle unwanted items and clean out your attic and garage. Look for more information to be posted closer to the sale date on the LCHOA website and on our Facebook page.



Landscaping Reminder

Now that spring has arrived, many residents are trimming shrubbery and trees and doing general yard clean up. 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, 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.*

All Lake Crest homeowners are requested to refresh the mulch in their flower beds and natural areas no later than June 1, 2015.



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

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.

Ice Cream Social



Calling all kids! The annual Lake Crest Ice Cream Social will be held on Sunday, May 17 from 3 - 5 p.m. in the clubhouse.

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. 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. 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

Warmer 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.

Mark Your Calendar

The next Lake Crest Homeowners' Association meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 1, 2015 at 7 p.m. in the Lake Crest clubhouse.

Minutes from the April homeowners' meeting are now available for review on the Lake Crest website at <http://www.lakecresthoa.com/boardminutes.asp>.