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November 11, 2008
Veteran's Day

November 27, 2008
Thanksgiving

2009 Newsletter Via Email ONLY

As mentioned in previous issues, the newsletter, "From the Lake..." will become a full color electronic newsletter in 2009.

There will be **NO** more paper newsletters in 2009.

They will be sent via email only so...

WE NEED YOUR ADDRESS

Please send us your email address today!

Your address will be kept confidential; it will not be disclosed or distributed to any individual or organization.

Don't miss out on the news so please send us your email address today.

What do you want? And... have you seen our website?

Are you happy with the neighborhood and the Hampton Lakes Homeowners Association?

Do you want more activities for you and your family?

Do you want Christmas Caroling this year?

Do you want other Holiday activities: Easter Egg Hunts, 4th of July BBQ's, etc.

Do you want a Family Fun Day in 2009?

Do you want a Hampton Lakes Walking or Jogging Club?

Do you want a Hampton Lakes Garden Club?

Do you want a Hampton Lakes Travel Club?

Do you want a Hampton Lakes Bunco Club?

Do you want to have other HLHA meetings?

Do you want the HLHA to create other committees?

All of these and other questions should be answered by YOU! Please take the time to voice your thoughts and opinions on activities in the neighborhood as well as other initiatives to improve our lives within the HLHA..

Please write to our email address below.

Have you been to our website? The HLHA website is listed below, too. Our interactive neighborhood website is a free service pro-

vided by the Neighborhood Link where you can access more than just information about the HLHA and the neighborhood. You can also link to Local Government, Safety and other Civic Resource pages.

We encourage you to go there and then send us comments or suggestions to make it a better site for all.

Neighbor Nominations!

Two great neighbors nominated

We received letters nominating two neighbors for the HLHA "Good Neighbor Award".

John Keen and Steve Preston were nominated for their contributions to the neighborhood and for being such good neighbors.

Please vote for one of these fine neighbors and we will announce the winner in January.

The winner will win a gift certificate to a local restaurant.



Letter from the President

While I am happy to continue to write and publish the newsletter for the neighborhood, I believe it is fiscally more responsible to distribute the newsletter via email.

The money spent on each issue is wasteful and changing to an electronic version will make a small contribution to saving the environment, as well.

Therefore, this newsletter will continue to be written and published, but it will be distributed via email in 2009.

To be clear, the newsletter will **NOT** be distributed door-to-door as a paper issue beginning in 2009.

If you want to receive the newsletter, you must send us your email address.

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So, don't miss out on the new color issues. Send us your email address today!

Several neighbors have voiced their concern to the Board's efforts to improve our Association documents, but have not been clear in explaining their objections.

I would like to detail our reasons for the need to improve and update the documents.

1) Our current documents are the original documents that were written in 1985 by the developer and passed on to the first Board. The wording is antiquated by twenty-three years.

2) New laws have been enacted and other new resources have become available to neighborhood associations. We are unable to utilize some of these new resources because of the

limitations created within our documents.

3) We are intent on improving our neighborhood and on providing you with the ability to improve your neighborhood, but we cannot make any changes to our documents without your approval.

Any amendments, omissions or additions to any document must be approved by a vote from the neighborhood association.

Our current 90% majority article puts a chokehold on our ability to make any progress or improvements to our neighborhood association.

Because at least ten percent of our homeowners live elsewhere, it is nearly impossible to amend or change any document, let alone address any improvement to our neighborhood.

Please support our efforts to amend these documents.

Sincerely,

Theo Angelakos

Brain Teaser

Shrook!

To continue with the same type of riddle as the last one:

A stranger arrived in a town known for its two distinct groups of residents.

One group was known to always tell the truth while the other was known to always tell lies.

The liars always wore one color and those that always told the truth wore another color, but the stranger didn't know what those colors were.

The stranger approached two men, one man was wearing all yellow and the other was wearing all blue.

He thought for a moment and then asked the man in yellow, "Are you one of the group who always tells the truth?"

The man in yellow replied, "Shrook."

The stranger was confused, but the man in blue said, "He said, 'Yes', but he's a terrible liar."

Which man was the liar?

Answer next month.

A Correction and a Thank You

We forgot to thank Donna Latham for her help with the Lake cleanup on Saturday July 19. Sorry Donna — we appreciated your help, too!

A special thank you to all the neighbors who have made a special effort to park their cars in their driveways.

We appreciate your attention to the problem and your help



in making our neighborhood a safe place for everyone.

Lake Cleanup by Local Teens

On Saturday, October 18, several local teens came to the dock to help clean up our lake-front and they earned **DOUBLE HOURS** for their efforts.

They spent a couple of hours combining the area for trash and debris.

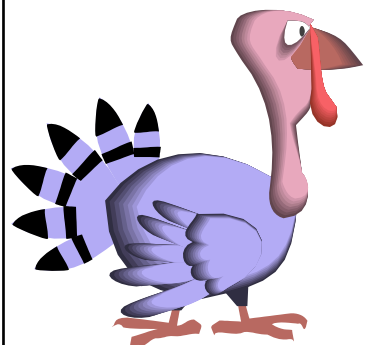


We would like to say thank you from all of your neighbors for helping keep the lake area clean.

Dibbs Project

Since our meeting on October 6, the communication with the principals of the project has had its ups and downs. Overall, we have seen an improvement in the way the construction crews have been treating us and the principals have been living up to their word—for the most part!

We still need your cooperation though. Please do not hesitate to call the HLHA or email us with any detailed complaints or questions about the ongoing project.



Happy Thanksgiving!

The HLHA Board wishes you and your family a happy and safe Thanksgiving Holiday.