

President's Corner

Season's Greetings to all Residents,

Neighborhood upkeep completed in 2008 included installation of rear section of pool metal fencing and filling of sinkhole in pool area roadway. Upkeep scheduled for 2009 will include more pool fence replacement, a new pool cover, and reseeding of area at Washington Rd. entrance. The annual HOA meeting will be held in February 2009—date TBD.

Greg Ellison

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News & Notes

Welcome to the Lee's Ridge News & Notes. This newsletter is quarterly published by and for the Lee's Ridge Homeowners Association. Please send any News & Notes material or feedback to greg_ellison@bellsouth.net. Deadline is the 30th of April 2009. Articles should be print ready and may be subject to editing.



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LEE'S RIDGE WEBSITE

In an effort to save time and money, please visit our website at www.leesridge.org. On it you can find copies of the covenants and restrictions, community information, Architectural Review Committee Modification form, Covenant Committee Violation Form, by-laws, local links, information on homestead exemption and schools in the community and much more.

LRCA Volunteer Drive

There are many committees and things to be done in the community. Please volunteer to become an active participant and make this subdivision something everyone can take pride in. IT'S YOUR CHOICE.

If you are interested in volunteering to chair any of the vacant committees or become a member of a committee, please feel free to **contact one of the current board members.**

It takes more than one person to accomplish the extraordinary. Build a neighborhood that you can be proud of



AN OPEN LETTER TO FELLOW HOMEOWNERS

Given the existing economic conditions and declining home values throughout the area, it is now more important than ever to take an active role in our Home Owners Association. Only with an active Board of Officers elected by the home owners to enforce our covenants and manage our interests can we maintain the value of our homes and keep our community from falling in disrepair. I have been a home owner in this community since 1992 and I have tried to contribute by paying my association dues but most importantly by attending all general meetings

called by the board; however I cannot say this for the majority of home owners. In the past years, the Board has not been able to pass any new proposals or even have the budget approved for lack of home owner participation. We have not had a quorum present at the general meeting in many, many years. It is a shame. It is particularly shameful, that the responsibility for keeping the association alive has rested on the shoulder of only two individuals: the current president and the current treasurer. It is remarkable that these two individuals have volunteered to keep the Board going in spite of the lack of interest by the home owners. If they were to quit—I am amazed that they have not done so already—the responsibility for the management of our Community would eventually go to Clayton County, which would appoint a management company to take over the responsibility. This would take about a year, but in the mean time there would be no one to take care of the community property, the pool, or pay the bills. The community will degrade and when it is finally taken over by a management company, we will be assessed the necessary amount to pay for the repairs and upkeep and for the additional costs to manage the community. In addition to any special assessment, our regular community association fees will surely double. So please support the board and try to attend the next meeting.

Sincerely,
George D'Ambrosio
Homeowner and former LRCA treasurer

GANG AWARENESS FORUM

Since late October of this year, violence has claimed the lives of four Clayton county teenagers. Two of the four shootings had possible gang ties. In an attempt to combat violence among young people in the area, local county agencies held an open forum for the public at Mundy's Mill High School on 4 DEC. The 90-minute community forum featured law enforcement officials, psychologists, social workers, guidance counselors, and representatives from the juvenile court. The representatives gave summaries of their office's role in dealing with disruptive juveniles and how they can aid any parents whom may need some assistance. Emphasis was placed on parents being more active in their children's lives in order to thwart the growing influence of the county's 51 known gangs with three or more members. Getting children involved in extracurricular activities is an extremely effective method in keeping them on a positive path. A 20 minute video was shown in which current prisoners discussed what factors contributed to their joining a gang. A short question and answer session was also held. Additional forums will be held throughout the county.

Welcome New Neighbors

Kolawole Gbadebo
398 Vicksburg Ct.

Tyree Simmons
513 Washington Dr.

Steven Abron
10807 Traveller's Trail

James & Janet Edwards
673 Washington Dr.

Zenetta Richardson
451 Washington Dr.

Edward Parker
693 Washington Dr.

Rayshonne Jones
415 Washington Dr.

Marjorie Way
10839 Traveller's Trail

Jerry Palmer
611 Washington Dr.

COMMUNITY POOL INFO

Opening scheduled for May 2009

New homeowners should contact a board member to receive a pool key.

Dues must be paid up to date!!!