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For our Eagle Lake East Eagle Lake North Community

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Growing a Community

When we talk about building a strong community, we aren't talking about attractive buildings. We mean the relationships between people, how secure they feel, and how they communicate with each other. The Board of Directors is serious about helping to strengthen the community.

On October 4th, we launched a new web site: www.EagleLakeEastHOA.com. It makes it easier for owners and realtors to get in touch with us and features a convenient link to account information (hosted by SCPM). Next, we are starting to send this newsletter by mail. We also have new, larger signs so meeting announcements are more visible. The first annual community picnic on September 26th was great. In November, we will host a community tag sale.

Initiatives like these build a feeling of community but cost money. The Board oversees all financial aspects of the Association. We have been working on a budget that minimizes dues increases while covering the necessary expenses. Please come to the Annual Budget Meeting on Monday, November 2nd at the Mighty Mushroom and tell us what you think about the budget and assessments.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, you can still let us know your thoughts. Send an email to eaglelakehoa@hotmail.com or use the online contact form at www.eaglelakeeasthoa. com/Contact-Us.php.

Please note that assessments will be due in January 2010. This brings the Association's fiscal year (January-December) into better sync with its cash flow. Under the old schedule, annual invoices went out near the end of the first quarter and the bulk of payments were received in Q2. This complicated the legally required financial and tax reporting.

Communication is a two-way street. I urge each and every one of you to get involved. Attend meetings, volunteer, take part in the tag sale, join Eagle Eyes. Together, we can build relationships and make Eagle Lakes East and North a wonderful place to live.

-- James Green, ELEHOA President

Upcoming Events

Architectural Review Committee

Oct. 26, 2009 - 6:30pm to 8:00pm 4224 Canby Drive

Budget Meeting

Nov. 2, 2009 - 6:30pm to 8:00pm Mighty Mushroom, 2400 Dairy Road

Community Tag Sale

Nov. 7-8, 2009 - 9am to 2pm Throughout Eagle Lake East and Eagle Lake North

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Info to Know...

Several nearby crimes have been reported recently. Here are some tips to help keep your family safe:

- Stay alert and be aware of your personal safety.
- Have your keys ready when approaching your house or car.
- Have lights at all entrances and use them.
- Install good locks on doors and windows.
- Know your neighbors and who you can trust in an emergency.
- Use timers to turn lights and radios on when you are not home.
- Sign up for sexual predator and offender notices at www.
 floridaoffenderalert.com
- · Join Eagle Eyes.

Before You Paint, Build, Plant...

Contact the Architectural Review Committee (ARC) before making any exterior modification to your home.

The ARC needs to review/approve most changes to the outside of homes in Eagle Lake East Homeowners Assoication **before** work is started, as required by our *Covenants, Codes & Restrictions*. This applies to painting your house, installing a pool, doing mass landscaping, and more.

To find out if your project needs ARC review, just ask before you start. Email **eaglelakehoa@ hotmail.com** or contact Judy Hoover, ARC President, at 321-373-1752

To get an application form:

- Download a copy from the web site at <u>www.eaglelakeeasthoa.com/</u> Architectural-Review.php.
- Call SCPM at 321-757-9609.
- Call Judy Hoover.

The ARC has is one vacant position that we would really like to fill with an Eagle Lake East resident. If you are interested in the work of this important committee, please contact Board President James Green at eagle lakehoa@ hotmail.com or use the web site contact form, www.eagle lakeeasthoa.com/Contact-Us.php.

Community Tag Sale on November 7-8

On the weekend of November 7-8, the Association is promoting a community-wide tag sale. Multifamily tag sales always generate more interest from buyers than a single household. We hope that many of your will participate on at least one of the days.

Fall is prime tag sale season, when the weather is cooler and the snowbirds start returning. The Association will put up the signs and pay for the advertisement, so all you have to do

clear your house of unneeded items and make some money. If you are already planning a fall tag sale, we urge you to have it that weekend.

We would like a rough count of how many households will participate before we place the ads. Please contact Heather Waters (call 321-327-5552 or email hmullin80@yahoo. com) or use the convenient contact form on the web site (www.eaglelakeeasthoa.com/Contact-Us.php).

Neighborhood Watch

An initial interest meeting for the new *Eagle Eyes* Neighborhood Watch was held on August 5th. Attendees shared ideas on personal and neighborhood security (see Info to Know...) but an effective program needs lots of people. Crime is increasing in our area. Please get involved and help improve the safety of us all.

Contact Heather Waters at 321-327-5552 or email hmullin80@yahoo.com for more information.

Pond Maintenance

In spite of regular treatment, pond algae is a continuing problem. We would like to remind lakeside residents (who are responsible for mowing to the water line behind their property) to keep clippings out of the ponds. Please direct your mower's discharge chute away from the water. Also, ALL homeowners should be careful when applying fertilizer so that it doesn't runoff and fertilize the algae instead of the grass.

The Board is reviewing our pond maintenance needs with several companies, but we all need to follow these basic preventive measures.