LAKE HEATHER OAKS Newsletter



March 2019

Message from our president.....

Happy Spring!! It's been a very, VERY short winter season with no freezing temps. Bugs will be plentiful. And with all the rain, and standing water, mosquitos, too. Be sure to empty any buckets, pots, etc so we keep the insect population from EXPLODING!

Speaking of water, now is the time to get ahead of all the mold on your sidewalks, driveways, sides of houses, etc. On sidewalks and driveways, use a solution of bleach and water thrown down before you pressure wash, or you will have to do it all over again in a month or so. Pool supply stores can help you at a nominal cost.

And while you are cleaning, do NOT forget the gutter on the street! Leaves piling up will block the flow of water to the drainage ditches. Should we have another 8" like a few years ago, the backup will flood our streets. And NEVER put your yard clippings or leaves down the drainage ditch easements (for obvious reasons). If you see someone, like yard services, blowing leaves down there STOP THEM!

...Nancy Schmiedecke

Home of the Quarter





Congratulations to Elaine Tintera and Becky Figueroa at 2705 Windsum Way for Home of the Quarter! Look at that landscaping and curb appeal!!!

BUDGET BITS: by Kevin Wilkins, Treasurer 2/28/2019

Questions? KevinWilkinsLHO@tampabay.rr.com.

Lake Heather Oaks 2019 Treasurer's Report to Board

DATE: February 27, 2019 FROM: Kevin Wilkins, Treasurer

1. Year 2019 Budget

a. Beginning balance
 1) Reserve Account:
 2) Checking Account:
 53,097.11
 Checking Account:
 510,473.60
 Total Beginning Balance:
 63,570.71
 Account Balances as of 01/01/2019
 Reserve Acct:
 \$53,097.11
 Checking Acct:
 \$10,473.60
 Total:
 \$63,570.71

e. Beginning Balance + Income: \$105,348.62 f. Expenses: \$ 6,225.34-

Total Balance on Hand: \$ 99,123.28

* not including nine undeposited checks

totaling \$ 2,495.00

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Social: Leigh Dawson **Welcome:** Nancy Danner 813-760-5089

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Park: Leigh Dawson Website: Susan Bartolotti

ACC: Nancy Schmiedecke, Joshua Bowersox, Roberta Walls 813-968-6967

Facebook: Nancy Schmiedecke New Board Members 2019 *

Have you paid your 2019 Dues Assessment?

A total of 37 of the 216 homeowners have not paid their 2019 assessment, which was due February 15th. The original dues notice was mailed to all homeowners in December. If you have not paid your dues, please do so this week, as dues assessments are now 30 days past due. Your payment may be mailed to Lake Heather Oaks HOA, P.O. Box 271411, Tampa, FL. 33688. If you need to split your payments, please email Kevin Wilkins, LHO Treasurer at: KevinWilkinsLHO@tampabay.rr.com.

Robert H. Barnes Park

The neighborhood park is a great place to have a birthday party! The improvements in the playground are wonderful, the bathroom is nice and clean, the view is outstanding and it's right here in our own back yard! If you're not sure what to do this year to celebrate the big day, call Sports Fun Events to help plan your event! If your child is between the ages of 3 and 13, and you're tired of the same old birthday party at Chucky Cheese, bowling, bounce houses or laser tag, then it's time to call the birthday party planners! Sports Fun will provide an Activity Leader who will meet at the park and entertain your party guests for a fun filled hour packed with games, relay races, tug of war, dodge ball, soccer, and so much more. Each birthday party is specifically designed to fit your child's personal sports interests. Think outside of the box this year and call Sports Fun Events for your birthday celebration. Check out the website at www.sports-fun.com or call Leigh at 813-245-5069.

Robert H. Barnes Park Reminders:

- To reserve the park pavilion for birthday Parties and family celebrations, please Contact Leigh Dawson (813-245-5069).
- There is no cost to reserve the park, but a \$150 clean-up fee will be imposed if not cleaned up after use.
- Robert H. Barnes
 MEMORIAL PARK
 Lake Heather Oaks
 RESIDENTS AND GUESTS ONLY
 TRESPASSERS AND VANDALS WILL BE PROSECUTED
- Parking MUST stay in the parking area/lot.
- The basketball court is NEVER to be used for parking as vehicle weight could cause cracks.
- It's a safety hazard to have cars parked in the grass and children running between and around them.
- The bathroom water is NOT to be used for drinking.

Christmas 2018







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JUST A LITTLE



SLOW DOWN ON ROLLING ROCK AND VALLELY!!

We have clocked people going 30 and over.

These streets may be your route home, but to those who live on them, it IS home and scary sometimes. If we need to involve HCSO to station an officer and give tickets, we will. Watch your speedometer!!

Recent incidences of dogs off a leash:
Aggressively charging and threatening a resident (dog no longer living in our neighborhood), rushing and scaring a dog on a leash into the street where it was hit by a car (no permanent injuries, thankfully), and chasing (to play?) and barking at runners have escalated in the past few months.
If your dog is not controlled by voice to STAY/COME when told (haven't met one yet!!), keep them leashed!
We are a dog-friendly neighborhood...to good, well-behaved dogs and their poop-picking-upper walkers/owners!!!!!





This is a deed restricted neighborhood. That means we have an "understanding" that we live according to basic guidelines outlined for us. It also means we value our neighborhood and want to maintain property values. As a condition of this, it is mandatory that everyone wishing to make a change to their home (paint, major landscaping, pavers, roof, siding, fencing, to name a few) MUST submit their plans on the form located in our website, www.LakeHeatherOaks.org. I can assure you that we are quite accommodating and love to see improvements.

As a deed restricted community, we notify homeowners when they are "out of compliance". Your <u>prompt</u> attention and correction are expected and appreciated. A copy of the deed restrictions is on our webpage and is being handed out to new homeowners starting this year. Should you have questions, please contact Nancy Schmiedecke, President.



Movie Night was a great success! More than 60 people came out and enjoyed "Despicable Me 3" under the stars. A huge THANK YOU to Leigh Dawson for putting Move Night together! Loved seeing all the kids relaxing with FREE popcorn!













On Saturday, March 30th, we will be having an LHO Park cleanup day! We have some Brazilian pepper plants along the edges of the woods we need to remove, along with some dead undergrowth. Your help will be appreciated! Meet at the park at 8AM with gloves, clippers, loppers, chain saws, etc.



The Lake Heather Oaks annual Easter Egg Hunt at the park will be held on Saturday, April 13th at 10am. So, get your children excited and ready for this HUGE event! Children in attendance and carrying their Easter baskets, will anxiously wait to hear the words 'Let the Games Begin!' Children under 5 will search for the colorful, candy filled, plastic eggs in a specified area where photo opportunities will be aplenty! The "school age" kids will have a more difficult time searching for eggs and hidden treasures in their specified area. Fun will be had by all!! Over 800 plastic eggs will fill baskets along with 12 prize winning eggs! This event will include a craft area for children to decorate clay pots to take home, the Easter Bunny who will be available for pictures, and there will be cookies for kids and Mimosas for Mom and Dad! Put this date on your calendar and we'll see you there!



Once a year, the Hillsborough County Board of County Commissioners offers grants to neighborhoods for the betterment of their residents. We are thrilled to announce that we have received a \$5,000 grant with which to buy 6 heavy-duty, recycled wood commercial picnic tables for our LHO park!! We know we will all enjoy these tables at our 3 annual LHO neighborhood events (Egg Hunt, Octoberfest and Santa in the Park), as well as, individually when we visit our park. What a wonderful gift we have been given! Please thank our County Commissioner, Ken Hagan, should you run into him! They should be in place early April.

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