



Deck the Halls

The Lakeline Oaks Homeowners Association will be holding a Holiday Lights Contest this year. Prizes will be gift certificates to local area merchants. Make sure that your decorations are out by Sunday, December 11th, 2005. Winners will be determined by Saturday, December 17th, 2005.

Good luck & Happy holidays!

Community Garage Sale

Special thanks to the Recreation Committee for planning, organizing, and implementing the Community Garage Sale on October 15th, 2005. It was a great success!

If you missed out on the October sale, don't fret. Plans are to hold another garage sale in the spring, some time in April. Keep watching the newsletter, or check the LLO's website for more information.



Lakeline Oaks Owners Association
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Happy Holidays!



Santa Claus Is Coming to Lakeline Oaks



Parents, if you would like your children to get some one on one time with the jolly old elf himself, let the Recreation Committee know by Wednesday, November 30th by contacting recreation@lakelineoaks.org or calling a board member. Plans are to have Santa visit with homeowner children, have light refreshments, and pass out pre-wrapped gifts that you have dropped off for Santa to give to your little one(s). Festivities are planned for Saturday, December 17th from 4pm – 6pm, in the building at the Park at Lakeline Oaks, 1000 Old Mill Rd.



Caroling Anyone?

The Recreation Committee would like to invite residents to go caroling through the neighborhood, Saturday, December 17th, starting at 6:00pm. Participants would meet for light refreshments at the building of the Park at Lakeline Oaks prior to singing. If you would like to celebrate the holidays with song, please contact the Recreation Committee by Saturday, December 10th (recreation@lakelineoaks.org or call a board member).

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the community newsletter for the homeowners of Lakeline Oaks



Lakeline Oaks Community Update

HOA- At the LLO HOA meeting held on September 6, 2005, pending issues, committee updates, and new items from homeowners were heard. LLO hired a new landscaper, Greater Texas Landscape Services, who began work in August with no change in contract from the previous vendor. Flowers at the entrances will be changed out twice a year, fall and spring. The board has learned a survey of the land located behind Woodridge Ln. has been conducted but was told there are no immediate plans to build on the property. There were homeowner concerns about the MUD and its enforcement of deed restrictions. The MUD's management company Severn Trent Services (STS) drives LLO twice a month to check for deed restriction violations, and some residents feel there are inconsistencies in their reporting. It was suggested that residents send in violation reports to STS if they feel a violation has been missed. Additional action items to address deed restriction concerns were given to the LLO ACC.

The next HOA meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 3rd from 7pm - 8:30pm in the building of the Park at Lakeline Oaks - 1000 Old Mill Rd. The HOA Board meeting will follow this meeting.

Architectural Committee - The ACC is working to clarify the guidelines for architectural improvements made to homeowner properties. In addition, the ACC is working with the MUD to create a more reliable deed restriction violation process. Specific emphasis is being placed on the types of citations issued, the hierarchy of fines, the penalties for non-compliance (how best to deal with homeowners who choose to pay fines rather than comply with the restrictions), and the means to address non-annexed properties in LLO. In a cooperative effort, the ACC and the MUD have discussed volunteers accompanying Severn Trent employees on the drives for deed restriction violations in LLO in order to help ensure consistency in the way inspections are being performed since the MUD enforces for several neighborhoods in the district, each with its own set of restrictions.

Landscape Committee - The Landscape Committee is busy working on beautifying the small area directly in front of the wall at the end of Brighton Bend that separates the apt. complex and Lakeline Oaks. We have sent the bid request to Darby, and we are waiting for Landscape Owners to suggest how to landscape this area with a couple of known issues: little to no irrigation and children jumping over the wall. Children have been witnessed climbing over the wall in both directions, so the Landscape Committee is trying to deter this behavior by planting unfavorable type bushes and shrubs. (The Landscape Committee will not approve planting any type of plants that are hazardous if accidentally eaten, but we are considering thorny type bushes as recommended by the homeowners who live near this area). Anyone climbing over this wall is a huge liability issue for the apt. complex. They have addressed this issue with every tenant by communicating the risk of being evicted if their child is caught climbing the wall. We are going to do our part by installing two "no climbing"- signs on our side of the wall to inform our children or anyone living Lakeline Oaks that this activity is also not allowed. The sign will also allow a sheriff officer the authority to detain children until their parents are notified of the violation and appropriate action is taken to prevent this behavior in the future. Please be sure to let your children know before being detained by a sheriff officer surprises them.

Recreation Committee - The Recreation Committee is currently planning events for the community for the next several months. Among the activities being planned are semiannual community garage sales, block parties, and special events centered around the holidays. The Recreation Committee is striving for diversity in events to attract greater homeowner participation. The Recreation Committee is trying to plan events that would attract families with children as well as events that appeal to adults sans children. If you have any suggestions, please e-mail the Recreation Committee at recreation@lakelineoaks.org.

Traffic/Safety Committee - The Traffic Committee has been looking at ways to address the speeding throughout the neighborhood. Although many people have suggested speed bumps, the county refuses to place speed bumps on county roads or residential streets. One of the main reasons cited is that speed bumps impede emergency vehicles. Currently, the Traffic Committee is investigating the costs and benefits of adding an HOA paid traffic enforcement patrol to the neighborhood as lack of enforcement has continually been listed as a major problem. In addition to paid enforcement, the Traffic Committee is currently entertaining grassroots efforts to address traffic concerns. One program is called the PACE Car program and is detailed further in this newsletter. Finally, the Traffic Committee has agreed to take on public safety concerns as well by attempting to implement a Neighborhood Watch Program and developing a neighborhood plan for natural disasters which may affect our neighborhood.

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The homeowners' association is open to all who wish to participate. All committees need your input, be it ideas, views, and/or time. Come and enjoy the opportunity to meet your neighbors and help to maintain and improve our community. Call or send an e-mail to the LLO Board (bod@lakelineoaks.org), or contact the committee of your choice. We look forward to working with you!



Williamson County Sheriff Activity Report*

The following is a list of criminal activities and calls for assistance occurring in the Lakeline Oaks neighborhood from January 1, 2005 to September 30, 2005.

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| (12) Alarm Calls - home alarm activated | (1) Illegal Dumping |
| (1) Burglary | (1) Hit and Run |
| (11) Animal Calls - include barking dogs/animal cruelty/
animal at large | (1) Suspicious Call - other activity |
| (1) Minor in Possession of Alcohol | (1) Telephone Harrassment |
| (3) Traffic Calls - abandoned vehicles, traffic control, hazards | (1) Questions - legal and/or civil |
| (9) Criminal Mischief - building, vehicle, or other property | (3) Ambulance Calls - sick or injury |
| (1) Possession of Drug Paraphernalia | (1) Illegal Parking |
| (1) Terroristic Threat | (4) Welfare Concern (at home or other) |
| (1) Juvenile Complaint | (1) Driving while License Expired |
| (1) Solicitor Complaint | (1) Lost/Stolen Property |

**Information provided by the Williamson County Sheriff's Department - through an open records request.*

Keeping Your Eyes Open - The Neighborhood Watch Program!

by Robin Lingaard

The tremendous population growth in our area is unmistakable, and as communities build facilities to accommodate the need for additional services and extracurricular activities, neighborhoods like LLO sometimes bear the not-so-wonderful side effects - such as increased traffic problems, crime, and criminal mischief (e.g. egging, paintball gunning, toilet papering, and other types of vandalism). One such way to address these issues in a positive and community specific way is to create and maintain a Neighborhood Watch Program.

The Neighborhood Watch Program (NWP) was created in 1972 by the National Sheriff's Association to provide a unique infrastructure that brings together local officials, law enforcement, and citizens to protect communities.

Most NWPs are located in areas that contain high percentages of single-family homes, little or no commercial establishments, and residents who have lived at their current address for more than five years. In addition, most of these programs use street signs to show the presence of the program to potentially deter any would-be criminals.

So what does it take to start and maintain an effective NWP? There are four fundamental steps that make this program successful:

- 1 Address the problems in a given block as well as assess the needs of a given neighborhood.
- 2 Build a partnership between law enforcement officers and residents
- 3 Train an active body of volunteers that are led by organized and motivated leaders.
- 4 Develop meaningful projects.

Most neighborhood crime prevention groups start with assistance and training from a law enforcement agency. The participants make their neighborhood a safer place by adopting a more observant attitude, such as becoming more aware of strange cars, persons, and/or questionable activities.

In addition, many NWPs create block captains to coordinate watch activities and report incidences. The role of a block captain is relatively simple and does not require much time.

- 1 Know your neighbors and your neighborhood block.
- 2 Attend a training to familiarize yourself with the procedures of the NWP.
- 3 Volunteer a small percentage of your time to do the following:
 - a. Communicate information about the NWP.
 - b. Serve as a liaison between your neighborhood block and the Neighborhood Watch Committee and attend committee meetings.
- 4 Recognize and report all suspicious activity to the appropriate authorities.



A NWP does not work with just street signs. It takes active volunteers, patience, planning, and enthusiasm.

If you are interested in being a block captain for the Lakeline Oaks Neighborhood Watch Committee, please contact Robin Lingaard (traffic@lakelineoaks.org) or call a member of the board by November 30, 2005.



And, They're Off - The PACE Car Program

by Robin Lingaard

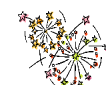


Want to do something about the drag racing on your street or how about the speedway you seem to be observing on your neighborhood roads? Let's face it, speeding is a problem that all neighborhoods deal with to some extent. Is there something you can do to help law enforcement slow the speed? Well, some neighborhoods are implementing the PACE Car Program.

If you're a NASCAR fan, you've probably already guessed the idea of the program. The program is a community initiative that promises to calm traffic in neighborhoods. The idea is simple; it uses residents' cars to slow other cars, merely by encouraging residents and motorists to abide by existing traffic laws. As a PACE Car driver, you become a "mobile speed bump." If you drive within the speed limit, the cars behind you have to do the same.

The central core of this program is that it puts the responsibility to drive courteously on residents and area motorists. Implementation of the program is fairly simple. Neighborhood motorists are asked to sign the PACE Car Pledge - to make an effort to drive carefully and responsibly and to set the pace for safer, quieter neighborhood streets. In addition, some PACE Car Programs provide bumper stickers to signed members so they can display their neighborhood pride as well as calm the traffic in their neighborhood.

Interested in helping to bring a PACE Car Program to Lakeline Oaks? Write a brief e-mail to traffic@lakelineoaks.org or contact a board member by November 30, 2005.



Fireworks Reminder



The LLO Board wants to remind residents that it is illegal to shoot fireworks in the Park at Lakeline Oaks as well as within 5,000 feet of the city limits of Cedar Park. Also, if you do choose to legally set off fireworks, please be courteous to your neighbors by ending your celebration at a reasonable time and cleaning up any debris. Thanks.

Recycling Meeting Scheduled



The MUD will be holding a special meeting to discuss recycling issues January 5th at 7:00pm at the Park at Lakeline Oaks, 1000 Old Mill Road.

We Want to Hear From You

If you have something special to share with the community, please send it to the newsletter.

We are looking for things that might interest people in the community such as children's events or activities, fundraisers, tournaments...

You can also share special things in your family such as births, special birthdays, weddings, anniversaries, graduations...

Please contact a board member or send an e-mail to the Newsletter Committee (newsletter@lakelineoaks.org)

Lakeline Oaks Yard of the Month Is Back Up and Running.

by Rhondy Henry

What is Yard of the Month?

Yard of the Month is recognition for maintaining a beautiful yard on a consistent basis. In addition, December will host Yard of the Month and Christmas Lights Contest.

What is the criteria for Yard of the Month?

- Weekly mowing and edging of the yard
- No visible weeds in flower beds, sidewalk cracks or driveways, seasonal color (nice but not mandatory), regular mulching of flower beds, all trees and shrubs trimmed properly, insect control and a healthy lush green lawn (no brown or bare spots).
- The homeowner must be a member in good standing with the LLO HOA. This means all assessments must be paid and the homeowner has no deed restriction violations.

Who picks the Yard of the Month winner?

Lakeline Oaks Landscape Committee volunteers choose the winners.



What are the responsibilities of the Yard of the Month winners?

Winners have no responsibilities other than keeping up the good work. Judges are responsible for moving the Yard of the Month sign to the next winner

Please note: It is the sole discretion of the LLO Landscape Committee to determine the winner. If you would like to be one of the judges, please volunteer by sending an e-mail to landscaping@lakelineoaks.org or by calling a board member.