

KILLEARN Commonsense

The Newsletter for YOUR Killearn Commons Homeowners Association

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Our Better Homes and Easements Issue

Put More Pride Where You Reside

Your Killearn Commons home is probably your **biggest investment**. So why do some Killearn Commons residents continue to maintain and improve their homes, while others don't? We don't know. All we do know is that the only difference between living in a beautiful neighborhood and a trailer park is our pride of home ownership, guided by our Killearn Commons By-Laws and Covenants.

It only makes good, common sense. A neat, clean, well-kept home is the sure sign of a smart homeowner and a good neighbor, while a mildewed, overgrown, ill-kept home is a sure sign of neglect. When you moved in, you signed on the line. You agreed to abide by the standards set forth in our Killearn Commons By-Laws and Covenants. You gave your word, backed by your good name.

Now, please do your part. Keep your word. Keep up your property. Your neighbors will thank you. And you'll be glad you did.

Please be considerate. Please keep your lawn mowed and your shrubs and trees trimmed. Please sweep the grass off your sidewalk. Please pick up after your dog. Please take in your garbage can, ASAP. Please don't park on the sidewalk. Please don't block your neighbor's driveway. Thank you!

Board Meeting Highlights

No June Meeting was held. July Meeting will be Monday, July 30, at the Pool.

May 21, 2012

Complete Minutes and Financials at www.KillearnCommons.com

President's Message

Residents of Killearn Commons need to understand that we are a VOLUNTARY Board of Directors and we don't have any full or part-time staff, nor shall we, unless we significantly increase the dues.

We still are having a problem with individuals consistently breaking the pool rules. Therefore, we will enforce the pool rules to the full extent.

The most frequent pool violations are running, especially starting on the grass and running the entire length to jump, flip, and even dive in the pool. No running means no running.

Treasurer's Report

April 2012 Report

Deposits	=	\$ 2,551.54
Expenses	=	\$ 5,460.82
Cash in Bank	=	\$17,554.50
Savings	=	\$ 1,057.80
CDs	=	\$29,578.24
Total Cash	=	\$48,190.61

Year to Date

Revenues Budgeted	=	\$20,250.00
Actual	=	\$26,840.32
Variance	=	\$ 6,590.32
Expenses Budgeted	=	\$10,986.29
Actual	=	\$10,856.91
Variance	=	\$ 129.38

Elections Monday, October 15

We will be electing two Directors to the Board of Directors of KCHOA. The two positions are

currently held by Greg Hill and Tom Weiskotten.
We need you! Get involved. Have fun. Volunteer!

2012 Green Thumb Awards

The July heat is here and the weeds and bugs are out in full force, but many of our 208 yards look pretty good. However, several of our neighbors deserve special recognition and a BIG COMPLIMENT for the condition of their lawns. All good jobs, well done! This year's awards include two Best Yard Winners and two Most Improved Yard Winners. Each winner received a \$50 VISA Gift Card. (Photos online at www.KilllearnCommons.com)

Best Yards

KENNETH & HILDA McLANE...2753 OAKLEIGH
SOLETA FAGLIE...8533 HANNARY CIRCLE

Most Improved Yards

JEFFREY & JOANNE YONCE...8344 ELAN DRIVE
DIANNE ALBORN...8115 CHARRINGTON FOREST

Honorable Mentions

MICHAEL & BETH STURMAN...8300 ELAN
RYAN & EMILY PENNINGTON...8312 ELAN
JEANIE MARTIN...8332 ELAN
EDGAR & JUDIE VOICH JAMES...8371 ELAN
COREY TYRE...2967 GLEN IVES
DOUGLAS PERRY...2963 GLEN IVES
BOB KAWULA & TRACI WHARTON...2960 GLEN IVES
JAMES & DAWN BRADFORD...2959 GLEN IVES
MARGARET WARD...2939 GLEN IVES
NIKOLE PAQUETTE...2935 GLEN IVES
KAREN VISCONTINI...8500 HANNARY CIRCLE
SCOTT & DEBORAH OPPERMAN...8508 HANNARY
CIRCLE
ROGER & KELLY BAGWELL...8512 HANNARY CIRCLE
INGEE & SOONHEE LEE...8536 HANNARY CIRCLE
CHARLIE & LARISSA IMBRIANI...8540 HANNARY
CIRCLE
CHRIS & LISA STOUTAMIRE...8548 HANNARY
CIRCLE
KEITH KEPLINGER...8552 HANNARY CIRCLE
FURMAN & DEBBIE CUMMINGS...8119
CHARRINGTON FOREST
RUSS & JEAN ANDERSON...8131 CHARRINGTON
FOREST

CINDY & JIM REYNOLDS...8195 CHARRINGTON
FOREST
JOSH & ANGELA CHUNN...8199 CHARRINGTON
FOREST
SHARON & MARIE GIRVIN...8203 CHARRINGTON
FOREST
EVELYN EATON...8206 CHARRINGTON FOREST
EDITH BOWDEN...8215 CHARRINGTON FOREST
MATT & ALLISON CALDWELL...8220 CHARRINGTON
FOREST
CHESTER & JOLISA COFFEE...8230 CHARRINGTON
FOREST
MEL & TESS FRENCH...8238 CHARRINGTON FOREST
WILLIAM GRACE...8247 CHARRINGTON FOREST
RICHARD & MARIA WINGERSON...8254
CHARRINGTON FOREST
JIM & TEE JAY HILL...8266 CHARRINGTON FOREST
CHRIS SCOVOTTO...8282 CHARRINGTON FOREST
MYRON & MONICA STEEN...8294 CHARRINGTON
FOREST
JEFFERSON & MELISSA LITTLE...2768 WHITMORE
KEN & LESLIE SMITH...8484 HANNARY DRIVE
FRANCES BECKHAM...8480 HANNARY DRIVE
AMY & WILL YANDLE...8476 HANNARY DRIVE
RONALD & BARBARA McCANTS...8471 HANNARY
DRIVE
YOLANDA BORONELL...8468 HANNARY DRIVE
BRETT & JENNIFER PACE...8456 HANNARY DRIVE
PETE & DEBBIE CUDDY...8444 HANNARY DRIVE
ROY & AMY SIKES...8435 HANNARY DRIVE
KEN & MELODIE GREENE...8428 HANNARY DRIVE
HOLLY OBER...2834 DUMONT
BARNA BOGDAN...2833 DUMONT
ALANA GALLAHER...2806 DUMONT
DOUG & FRAN HARRELL...2756 OAKLEIGH COURT
ANNIE GIDDENS...2740 OAKLEIGH COURT
BILL & ANNE DUNCAN...2728 OAKLEIGH COURT
CHARLOTTE LAFFITTE...2724 OAKLEIGH COURT

Annual Block Party

The Annual Block Party is scheduled for Saturday, August 18, from Noon until 5 pm. Food will be provided. Please bring a dessert.

Fourth of July Pool Party

There will be a July 4th Pool Party from 11 am to 5pm. Lunch will be from 12 noon to 1pm and will

include hot dogs, chips and soft drinks. A large water slide has been rented to be enjoyed by kids of all ages.

Pool Problems

We seem to have an increase with older teenagers being too wild and rough housing at the pool this year. In addition, they are being disrespectful to parents and adults. There has also been an increase in vandalism and destruction of pool property by the same individuals. Therefore, anyone caught destroying pool property, the Leon County Sheriff's Office (922-3300) will be called and charges filed for vandalism. In addition, their Pool Fob will be taken away. If you see anyone doing these kind of activities, please feel free to contact Leon County Sheriff's office or a Board Member. LCSO has been alerted and extra patrols will definitely be on the lookout for violators.

Dues Update

196 have paid, or 94%. Of these, we should be able to get five to pay, which would bring us to 201, or 97%. There are three owners that we have not been able to contact in any form. One of those has a home that will be closing soon, which means we will be able to collect current and past dues at time of closing. We have another that is in foreclosure, so as soon as the bank sells the home, we will be able to collect the amount due at that time.

Home Update

A lot of homes are selling in here and we are getting new neighbors. If you get a chance, please introduce yourselves and also make sure they are aware of our Web site and become familiar with our Covenants and Restrictions. We've already had some new homeowners move in and started breaking them. Two homeowners have fencing slats that are missing and need to be replaced. Letters will be sent. Some renters still not keeping yards cleaned up. Owners to be notified. Still a number of homes with mildew on the siding. A combination of one part bleach to four parts water will clean the green. Vacant home on Elan Drive has not maintained yard. Tom Weiskotten has mowed.

Front Entrance Beautification

We've fixed up our Killlearn Commons front entrance and planted white flowers in front of the sign, behind a low landscaped wall. Looks great!

Thanks for Averting a Disaster

Many thanks to Anne Duncan and Beth Sturman for diverting a major disaster at a home in Killlearn Commons. Anne pulled into the neighborhood and noticed a truck bed on fire in the driveway at the corner of Greenland and Elan. Beth was mowing her yard across the street and noticed Anne pulling over, so when she saw the fire she immediately got a garden hose and started watering down the truck bed. Anne called the Fire Department and then called husband Bill Duncan. When he got there, the entire truck was engulfed in thick black smoke and the bed of the truck was licking flames 20 feet into the air and starting to burn a tree. Two other Killlearn Commons homeowners who are police officers showed up to assist until the Fire Department got there. Thanks to these great neighbors for keeping the situation from getting out of hand.

Animal Control

Is your neighbor's dog(s) still driving you crazy? Once again, homeowners are advised to invest a call to **Leon County Animal Control at 606-2200.** Pet owners are usually given two warnings. On the third complaint, they take the animal away. If you and your neighbors are having a serious problem, you can download the Animal Control Complaint Form from their Web site. If three neighbors sign it, they will take the dog away immediately.

Please! Clean Up after Yourself

When hosting a birthday party, a baby shower or ANY celebration at the Pool, please tie up your trash bags and deposit them into the Waste Management trash container. There is an extra bag in the bottom of each trash can. Remember: This is YOUR pool, too. And it's YOUR responsibility. If the trash bag is full in the bathroom (with wet, dirty diapers), please take a moment and change it. Otherwise, it just sits there and smells up the place. Mothers: Please follow your little girls to the Ladies Room and make sure they flush the toilet.

OUR VIPs (Very Interesting People)

Ken & Hilda McLane have certainly spruced up their corner lot on Oakleigh Court at Charrington Forest since moving here in October, 2004. Flowers bloom in the front yard, roses and vegetables thrive in the back. Hilda's from Chattahoochie, Ken's from Sneads, but they've been together in Tallahassee for 40 years. He's retired from the State of Florida. She's retired from Sear Roebuck. They have seven grandkids, ranging in age from 4 to 24. Hilda says that Aiden, their four year old grandson, "loves to help his Poppa in the garden."

Soleta Faglie is a repeat winner. She won Best Yard in 2009. Her love of gardening shows in her award winning yard on Hannary Circle. Soleta has lived and worked in the Tallahassee area for almost 25 years. She is employed as a legal assistant and office manager for a local law firm and has been in the legal field for more than 30 years in one capacity or another. Soleta smiles and says: "I have lived in Killearn Commons for 16 years and I want to help maintain our neighborhood so our property values remain high."

Jeffrey & Joanne Yonce are happily retired on Elan Drive with their rescued Chihuahua terrier, Phoebe. Jeff was with the Department of Alcoholic Beverages and Tobacco. Before that, he was in law enforcement for 37 years, with the Tallahassee Police Department. Joanne was a staff assistant with the Florida Highway Patrol. They moved from The Villages to Killearn Commons in December, 2005. They'll be married 42 years this October. Together, they have two children and seven grandchildren. When asked about Jeff's hobbies, Joanne smiled and replied: "He's just sweet."

Diane Alborn lives on Charrington Forest, across from the Pool with her daughter, Kaitlyn, her son, Ryan and their little dog, Opie. They moved to Killearn Commons in 2009. Diane works for the State of Florida, in the Governor's Office. Kaitlyn also works for the State, in the Administrative Offices. Ryan is employed with Shamrock Cleaners. Kaitlyn says Mom did most of the work on their Most Improved Yard, but she helped. When asked

how she liked living here in Killearn Commons, Kaitlyn responded: "I love it here. It's calm."

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Allison Caldwell, 8220 Charrington Forest, Powerline to Easement
Pedro Del Valle, 8267 Charrington Forest, Easement to Greenland
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Liz Jordan, 2826 Dumont Drive
Brian and Roxanne Poche, 8324 Elan Drive
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Pete Cuddy, 8444 Hannary Drive
Fran Harrell, 2756 Oakleigh Court
Phillip Bello, 2752 Whitmore Court
Greg and Shannon Hill, 8408 Wellesly Place

Report ANY suspicious activity in Killearn Commons to Leon County Sheriff : 922-3300

Late Breaking News: On Wednesday afternoon, an alert resident reported five teens climbing the Pool fence. The Leon County Sheriff was called and seven teens were apprehended.