KILLEARN CommonSense

The Newsletter for YOUR Killearn Commons Homeowners Association

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Happy New Year!

Are You a Good Neighbor?

Good neighbors are an asset.

Good neighbors are reassuring.

Good neighbors know and help each other.

Being a good neighbor is a two-way street.

Good neighbors are a glue that ties the neighborhood together.

A good neighbor is somebody who is connected to those around them.

Good neighbors develop relationships with others, and the result is that neighbors can depend on one another.

Good neighbors are those who are working for a common goal: Building a better community.

Good neighbors act together for their neighborhood, defining what is acceptable and what is not acceptable.

Dear Killearn Commons Homeowner,

2016 Dues Notices have been mailed. Your Killearn Commons Homeowners fees, in the amount of \$145.00, are due by April 30, 2016. For your convenience, payment can be made by check, credit or debit. If you pay by check, please make it payable to KCHOA and mail to:

Killearn Commons HOA 2910 Kerry Forest Parkway Suite D, Box #384 Tallahassee, FL 32309

If you would like to pay by debit or credit, please visit the KCHOA Website at www.KillearnCommons.com.

Click the DUES tab and follow the instructions to make your payment with PayPal. There is a \$2.00 charge when using this service.

This will be the ONLY NOTICE you will receive. After May 1, 2016, the 18% finance charge will be applied.

Please make sure that your payment is received by that date to avoid a non-payment lien against your property. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us via the website, www.KillearnCommons.com contact page.

IMPORTANT: If you are leasing your property, please make sure that this notice is forwarded to your landlord in order to avoid nonpayment penalties.

November Treasurer's Report

Savings (as of Nov. 30) = \$1,058.84 Business CD (Nov. 30) = \$30,149.83 Checking (Nov. 30) = \$19,240.19 Totals (Nov. 30) = \$50,448.86

Holiday Decorations Contest

On the weekend before Christmas, KCHOA Board Members went by every house in Killearn Commons, admiring all the wonderful holiday decorations and lights. There were plenty of homes to look at and we wish to thank all the homeowners who decorated their homes for making our neighborhood more festive. This was one of the best homedecorated subdivisions around. Nice job, everyone!

<u>Winner</u>

The Debaker Family, 8235 Charrington Forest

The Winners received a \$50 VISA Gift Card

Runners Up

8128, 8275 Charrington Forest/ 8444, 8451 Hannary Drive/ 8300, 8312 Elan Drive/ 8512 Hannary Circle

Honorable Mentions

Charrington Forest: 8294, 8111, 8119, 8123, 8131, 8139, 8171, 8175, 8199, 8207, 8210, 8223, 8239, 8266, 8267, 8274, 8294, 8298, 8302

Elan Drive: 8313, 8324, 8348, 8360, 8368, 8375, 8372

Wellesly Place: 8401, 8404, 8408, 8405, 8412

Whitmore Court: 2780, 2776, 2763, 2759, 2760, 2756

Hannary Circle: 8508, 8520, 8536, 8537, 8544, 8548, 8560, 8568, 8576, 8588

Hannary Drive: 8440, 8439, 8436, 8435, 8432, 8428, 8452, 8455, 8456, 8459, 8460, 8471

Oakleigh Court: 2732, 2736, 2740, 2748,

Dumont Drive: 2818, 2830,

Glen Ives Drive:2940,2947, 2948, 2959, 2960, 2967, 2968, 2971

Special Thanks to Mike and Beth Sturman of Elan Drive at Greenland. Their winter wonderland display, combined with our KCHOA holiday lights to brighten our Killearn Commons entrance.

In Memoriam, Freddie Jerger

We're sorry to report that longtime Charrington Forest resident Deacon Freddie Jerger, Jr., 67, passed away December 7. Freddie was a property analyst for the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation and a security guard for Barkley Security. Freddie was a big hearted guy with a big love for his family and his FAMU. He is survived by his wife, Sandra, one son, two daughters and four grandsons. So long, Freddie. We'll miss your big smile.

Dan King Passes Away

Dan King, our 10-year Killearn Lakes Board of Directors representative, passed away on December 31. He was 81. A Charrington Forest resident since 2001, Dan was active in the KCHOA for five years, serving as President, Vice President and Treasurer. Retired from the Owens-Illinois Glass Co., he was also a labor union negotiator, and was appointed by Governor Chiles as the labor representative to the Florida Commission on Community Service. Since 2001, Dan had been a weekly volunteer Mediator in Small Claims Court with the Leon County Court System. An everdedicated volunteer, good neighbor and good friend, Dan is survived by his wife, Dixie and daughter, Elizabeth.

OUR VIPs (Very Interesting People)

Rob Kissel Helps Homeless Help Themselves

When Rob and Renee Kissel and baby Hannah moved to Killearn Commons in 1997, only 30 houses had been built on Hannary Circle. "The roads were paved, but no houses," Rob remembers. "The pool was in and the house across the street on the corner was a model. I used to walk the dog at night and four or five deer would jump out of the shadows and surprise us."

Rob and Renee were early volunteers for the fledgling KCHOA. Renee served as President for a term. Rob was on the original Pool Committee. Today, "baby" Hannah is a sophomore at FSU, brother Thomas is a Chiles freshman, and mom Renee has found her passion for horses at Bradfordville's Happy Trails Ranch. "She took her first horse riding

lesson at age 40," Rob smiles. "There's something therapeutic and soothing just being around horses." The Kissels now own two horses and Renee and Hannah compete in Competitive Show Jumping. Rob is an ardent bicyclist. Four days a week he pedals the 10-mile round trip to and from work. "My main form of exercise" he grins. A graduate of FSU's Real Estate Business School, he's been a real estate appraiser for 19 years. Rob's first exposure to Tallahassee's Homeless Shelter was kid-inspired. Thomas needed to fulfill his community service project, while Hannah used it for her Bright Futures scholarship. Hannah continues to volunteer and has changed her major to Social Work. Rob got so inspired by The Shelter, he started to volunteer regularly and today sits on their Board of Directors.

"Other agencies do a good job providing clothing. What we need is toilet paper. We go through about 60 rolls a day. It gets expensive. We need laundry detergent, too. We have our own washing machines." Volunteer opportunities abound. To donate goods, services or money to The Shelter, please call Rob at 510–9073.

Happy 2016!

With so many new neighbors arriving last year, let's all resolve to meet at least one new neighbor soon. Events such as the Annual Pool Cleanup, Neighborhood Garage Sale, Back to School Party and Board Meetings are a great way to contribute and meet fellow Killearn Commoners. If you have any suggestions for a new neighborhood event, email us or come to one of our Board Meetings. We'd love to hear from you. KCHOA's 12th Annual Pool Cleanup Day will be Saturday, March 5 from 9 am till noon. The pool opening date is scheduled for Saturday, March 12. Spring Break is the following week, March 14 through the 21st.

Clean the Green

We still have a number of homeowners and rental properties who need to maintain their homes better, especially removing mildew from the siding. Easy solution: A combination of one part bleach to four parts water will clean that green.

Burning Leaves Prohibited

It's illegal, unwise and unsafe. Please don't do it. We don't want or need a wildfire in our neighborhood.

Keep KC Beautiful. Please Don't Litter

Our KCHOA Covenants require all trailers, unregistered vehicles, and boats to be parked so they cannot be seen from the street.

KCHOA Covenants also require trash cans and recycle bins to be removed from the front of homes as soon as possible after the pickup on Mondays. If you have any extra large items, appliances, or questions, <u>call Waste Pro at</u> <u>606–1899 for a special pickup</u>.

GREAT WOOD, CAPPENTRY and TILE WORK Been putting it off? Call Killearn Commons Resident Jerry Jelinek, LLC at 933-0133

OUTDOOR INNOVATIONS

<u>Landscaping and Maintenance</u> <u>Call KC Resident Eric Peacock at 570–2781</u>

Board of Directors

Tom Weiskotten, President, 510–7900 Roger Bagwell, Vice President, 841–0334 Shannon Hill, Secretary, 570–5413 Brian Urban, Board Member, 228–3546 Jason Hill, Board Member, 907–8298

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Elizabeth Moore, 8223 Charrington Forest, Powerline to Easement Betsy Cassels, 8274 Charrington Forest, Easement to Greenland Cheryl Shaw, 8111 Charrington Forest, Greenland to Powerline Ginger Puskas, 2833 Dumont Drive Brian and Roxanne Poche, 8324 Elan Drive Douglas Perry, 2963 Glen Ives Drive Rob and Renee Kissel, 8556 Hannary Circle Pete Cuddy, 8444 Hannary Drive Fran Harrell, 2756 Oakleigh Court Amber Hernandez, 2755 Whitmore Court Greg and Shannon Hill, 8408 Wellesly Place

PRESSURE WASHING & SOFT WASH

<u>*House Washing * Sidewalk Cleaning</u> <u>PROFESSIONAL, Fully Insured. VISA, MC</u> <u>Call KC Resident Nick Loomis 830–2209</u>