

CLIPPER ESTATES MASTER HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.
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3rd Quarter 2009 Newsletter
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Summer, 2009 is here already. A VERY IMPORTANT note for DRIVERS to **SLOW DOWN**. Children are out of school and will be playing outside. Be ever vigilant.

Attached to this newsletter is the 3rd Quarter Dues Statement. We are still experiencing an alarmingly high rate of A/Rs. Please make every effort to pay your dues in a timely fashion.

IMPORTANT PARISH NEWS:

St. Tammany Parish President, Kevin Davis, will hold a meeting with all HOA Presidents and/or Board members on **June 6, 2009**. They will be distributing **Hurricane Safety Information Guides** and will have parish staff available to answer questions. The CEMHOA will be represented by at least two board members who will bring back enough **Safety Guides** to be made available at the office for each of our members; along with other pertinent Parish information. We will send out an e-mail when the information is available for pick up.

MEETING WITH CORPS: Tuesday, June 16, 2009,
Northshore Harbor Center.
Open House 6:00 p.m.
Presentation 7:00 p.m.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Don't miss this very important meeting with the Corps of Engineers. It will give all the opportunity to address HURRICANE FLOOD PROTECTION for our area. There IS strength in numbers!! Will send out reminder e-mail as the date approaches.

SUBDIVISION REMINDERS:

The following are reminders, that some residents might not want to see, but many others request they be repeated:

There should be **NO PARKING** on the streets over night. This reminder is very important as curb repairs will begin during the summer and we do not want the curbs to be blocked if the area is being repaired that day; nor possible repairs to be damaged from a car parking on the curb before it is adequately dry.

There is no parking allowed on empty lots; be it a vehicle, boat/trailer, etc. Please contact the office regarding necessity of a boat and/or trailer parked in your driveway.

Regarding grass cutting –

By Resolution of the Board of Directors passed March 14, 2007; **amending the resolution filed October 23, 1998:** re: non-cutting of grass - a certified mail letter will be dispatched to the owner(s) of the property notifying of the non-compliance. Only **ONE** notice will be sent, if in the future the infraction re-occurs, a grass cutting service will be dispatched and the owner of the property will be fined \$150.00, plus the cost of postage for the initial certified letter.

Commercial Vehicles must **NOT** be visible from the street when parked for anything other than a delivery; this includes overnight.

No additions or improvements can be made to one's property without first presenting the application, plans and appropriate deposit to the ARC, then obtaining written approval of the plans.

Many people come into the office or called on Wednesdays to see if the ARC chairperson is available for them to meet. The Architect will not come to the office unless there is work waiting, or appointments scheduled. We have requested previously that you forward your plans, with attached application and appropriate deposit, to the office before hand, or call and make an

appointment, as per the operating plan. As the HOA is billed at \$75.00 per hour for the Architect's time, we must make good use of that time.

As per the CC&Rs, the ARC has 30 days from the date of receipt of the application to review and approve/disapprove any submitted plans.

All property owners need to review the Covenant, Conditions & Restrictions (CC&Rs) for their phase. They are now available for viewing on the website at www.clipperestates.com

The ARC Construction application, as well as the Improvement Addition Application are also on the website for review.

We are requesting again that you update your e-mail address with the office ASAP. Just e-mail it in to bzoerner@clipperestates.com. We are sending information out through e-mail periodically, such as parish newsletters, that needs to be generated in a timely fashion. A substantial amount of these e-mails are kicking back undelivered. This is particularly important as we approach the beginning of hurricane season.

SDT recently confiscated several garbage cans for non-payment of dues. They will not pick up any garbage at any property that does not have an SDT can.

On a much lighter note:

Congratulations to Clipper resident, **Kyle Bowser**, and his crew for winning First Place in the spinnaker class during the spring Tammany Yacht Club Wednesday Night Sailing First Series!

CONGRATS to all students for another school year finished! Especially to the seniors!! Best wishes in your future endeavors!!

HEAR YE HEAR YE!!

The HOA will begin offering advertising in the quarterly newsletters. If you have a business or know of someone that may want to advertise in the newsletter, please send an e-mail with contact information to the office. Someone will contact you shortly thereafter.

A tip for Homeowners:

In a recent Real Estate article a reader wrote: "We recently purchased an alarm system for our home and put a sign in our front yard stating that the house is under protection. We thought the sign was a good idea, but a friend said we should take the sign down because it might give a burglar the information needed to override the system . . . What do you think?"

ANSWER: "Many home-alarm companies are happy to provide such free yard signs. It's an inexpensive way to advertise their services to the neighbors. Some law-enforcement officials, however, say that a detailed sign can give a burglar all the information needed to disable the alarm. That's because several alarm companies, including many that operate nationwide, use the same diagram to wire every house. If the thief sees that your home is 'protected' by the same company as one that he burgled before, he might be able to disarm your system easily and steal your stuff. A better alternative is to buy a generic sign from your local hardware or home-improvement store that simply says . . . 'this house is protected by an alarm system' The fewer clues your sign gives potential robbers, the safer you will be."

Now for a few upcoming local events of interest:

May 30 - Crawfish Boil. St. Tammany/Washington Parishes Homebuilders Association; all you can eat and drink, John Davis Park Community Center, Lacombe. 4-8 p.m. more info at sthba.org.

May 30 Ginny Awards Show. Slidell Little Theatre. More info at slidellslt.org

May 31 Bayou Jam Concert Series. The Blue Meanies. Heritage Park 5:30-7:30 p.m. More info @ slidell.la.us/cultural.php

June 6 Night at Kole's Corner. Featuring Ronnie Kole; concert, dinner and silent auction to benefit Safe Harbor. Held @ St. Margaret Mary School. More info call: Peggy Valejo at (985) 892-6855.

June 6 ART @ the Market. Between Third and Fourth Streets in Olde Town Slidell. 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Free. More info @ slidellartleague.info.

June 17 Business Showcase. East St. Tammany Chamber of Commerce expo. Northshore Harbor Center. More info at estchamber.com.

June 27-28 Lacombe Crab Festival. John Davis Park, Lacombe. More info at lacombecrabcookofffestival.com

We are sure there will be many more events on tap to suit just about everyone's tastes!

Hope you all have a great, fun filled summer!

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!!

And

HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY!

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