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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Dear Neighbors,

The Board of Directors would like to welcome our newest member, BJ Anderson. We appreciate that she has offered her time & talents to become a member of this group. Welcome B.J!

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Craig Ross for the time & effort in helping to improve our Board during his time as past president, vice president and director of the Lakepointe BOD. Craig, your wit will be missed, but your efforts will not be forgotten.

At our May meeting we held a **vote for officers** for the coming year. The results are:

Kevin Donlea, President
Jeremy Seitz, Vice President
Mary Knowles, Secretary
Bob Passut, Treasurer
Erik Vadnais, Director
Beth Zarfoss, Director
B.J. Ogden, Director

We all look forward to working to better the Lakepointe community.

The BOD focus for the coming year will continue be on community safety, beautification, controlling

association costs, promoting neighborly attitudes, and improving property values

These shared interests will be reflected in each of our BOD Meetings throughout the year.

The **Board meets on the 3rd Monday of each month**, generally at my home. You are welcome to attend, but please call in advance because the location of the

meeting may change from time to time.

Enjoy your summer!

Thanks,
Kevin Donlea
President HOA Lakepointe

MANAGEMENT CORNER

Please Drive Carefully

By the time you receive this newsletter, schools should be out for summer vacation. I would like to remind everyone to please drive carefully throughout the neighborhood as children will be out at all times of the day. The **speed limit is 15 mph** throughout the community. Please be especially careful and watch for children crossing the street while walking to the pool or one of the play areas.

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ACC Inspections

The community wide architectural inspections were completed mid-May. During my walk through of the property, I inspected each and every home in Lakepointe (front and back) for common architectural violations such as landscaping, siding or wood repairs, and general maintenance items. As a whole, the community looks to be in great shape. If you did receive a violation letter, please make sure the items noted in the letter are corrected in a timely manner and adhere to the Lakepointe standards, which are available on the community website. I will be performing my re-inspections in the upcoming weeks to ensure compliance.

Pool Information

Hopefully everyone who registered for the pool has already received their pool passes for the 2010 season. All passes (resident and guest) must have the **gold "Lakepointe 2010" sticker** on their pass in order to be admitted to the pool. If you have not received your pool passes, please contact me at bheisler@ghacm.com so that they can be issued.

Only residents in good standing will be issued their passes or stickers, so please make sure you are current on your association dues.

I hope everyone has a safe and happy summer.

Brian Heisler
Community Manager

BOARD NEWS

Annual Homeowner's Meeting

The annual homeowner's meeting was held in April and **new board members** elected: Kevin Donlea is President of Lakepointe HOA, Carmen Sullivan joined the ACC committee and Bob Passut, Beth Zarfoss and BJ Ogden were elected to the board.

Brian Heisler, our Property Manager introduced himself and presented an overlook of GHA's history as well as a description of the ACC violation review process.

Neighborhood Watch Volunteers and Coordinator Desperately Needed

Following the HOA meeting, some residents have volunteered to be on the neighborhood watch list, coordinated by Mary Knowles. As stated in the previous issue of the newsletter, the safety of our community is an on-going concern.

Your **volunteer commitment is for only few hours one weekend evening, every 3 months.**

Neighborhood watch is a proven deterrent to localized criminal activity.

You never go out on watch alone, **always with a partner.** A husband and wife team is an excellent

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idea. It is great if you have a partner in mind or Mary can assign you one. **You set the schedule, you can go out 9-11 PM or 8:30 - 10:30 or even later if you are night owl.** The idea is to be visible throughout the neighborhood, so the criminals know we are watching...

If you are interested in participating please **contact Mary Knowles** at mary.knowles@verizon.net. If your schedule doesn't permit you to commit right now, just keep it in mind if your schedule changes and you have time later. You can join anytime. Mary Knowles has agreed to put the watch schedule together for the moment, but is looking for a **replacement volunteer to be a full-time coordinator.**

Friendly Reminders

Pool Hours and Passes

Information on pool birthday parties and pool hours can be found on the HOA website.

New to the neighborhood? Contact management to receive your **pool passes** for all family members and two passes for visitors. If you plan to bring **additional guests**, you need to make out a check to "Lakepointe HOA" for a **\$3 fee and register guests with the lifeguards** on duty.

If you are interested in **private swimming lessons using our community pool**, you can make arrangements with the lifeguards about fees, swimming expectations, etc. Many of our young residents have had lessons for different levels.



COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Look out for some fun community events during the summer months. If you are a new resident, come out and meet your neighbors!

Community Field Day, June 25th, rain date June 28th, 9am - 11am

We are planning a fun-filled morning to kick off the summer at the playground/tennis court area. All young residents between the ages of 4 and 10 are welcome. They can invite a guest to participate, young children should come with an adult.

We will have some fun field day games set up for the children. Please have your child wear a hat, sneakers, sun tan lotion and bring a water bottle. For questions, please call Kathy Ross at 703-764-5374.

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Community Pool Party, July 17th, 12 pm

Our annual pool party is planned for **July 17th at noon**, rain date is July 18th. The Association provides hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks and residents are asked to **bring a side dish or dessert**. Flyers for the pool party with more information will be sent out.

Thank you for Easter Egg Hunt!

A big thank you goes out to Kathy and Craig Ross for organizing the annual Easter Egg Hunt for our young residents. As always, the children had fun, and parents had a chance to get to know each other.

Congratulations!

We would like to extend our congratulations and best wishes to all High School and College Graduates in our neighborhood!

Neighborhood Volunteer Opportunities

Our community is blessed with many engaged residents, but we could always need more help. **Neighborhood watch** can always use some more people who could patrol the neighborhood on weekend evenings (contact person: Mary Knowles).

At the annual homeowner meeting, it was brought up that we need to have an **updated community phone directory**. If you would like to take on that task, please contact one of the board members.

An interest for **organizing a community yard sale** was also mentioned. Our board members are busy with day-to-day business, but would love to cooperate with a volunteer who is interested in organizing a yard sale.

Info for Newcomers

If you are new to the neighborhood, we included some information that might help you with finding events in our community:

• Lake Royal

We are blessed to live so close to Lake Royal, which offers several recreational opportunities, such as:

- “Braddock Nights” Concerts, Friday evenings, 7:30 pm

This is a **free concert series** presented by the Fairfax County Park Authority for the months of June through August. The concerts take place at Lake Royal and Lake Accotink (Springfield). For a schedule of events, go to <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/park/performances>.

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• Kings Park West Soccer League

The soccer field adjacent to Lake Royal is used for games and practices by the Kings Park West Soccer League. The league is a parent-run organization for children aged 4-10. The proximity of the field and coaching style of the league makes it a popular sports engagement for many of our young residents.

If you would like to find out more, please contact Marcie Concepcion at marcie@artistart.com. Information about the league as well as registration forms can be found on the league's website at <http://www.kpwsoccer.com/>.

• LL Bean Adventure Events

You might have noticed the containers near the boat ramp at Lake Royal. They hold equipment used for LL Bean kayak and fly casting events. If you would like to learn how to kayak or pick up a good fly casting technique, you can sign up at the LL Bean Store at the Tysons Corner mall in McLean at the Outdoor Discovery Schools Kiosk or by calling the store at 703-288-4466.

All transportation and equipment is provided, no experience necessary, ages 8 and up. Events are held on weekends and on July 5th until September. Fees are starting at \$20.

• Dog Parks and Canine Obedience Classes

For our canine companions there are several dog **parks in the area:**

- South Run Rec Center
- Lake Accotink
- Shirlington Dog Park, Arlington (access to creek)

The local pet stores run obedience classes at various locations. **Audry Moore Rec Center and South Run Rec Center** have a variety of dog obedience classes, depending on fido's age and your needs (show dog, agility, basic commands, etc). For more information, check the county's website at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/parktakes> .

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