



Towne Lake Homeowners Association – December 2014

President's Message

It's almost time again for our annual homeowner's meeting which will be at 7 PM, Thursday, January 15th at Arrowhead CC. There are several things on the agenda that I think are important to everyone in Towne Lake. First, we will discuss the budget for next year, our financial status, and our plans for the coming year. The second important thing that we need to do at the meeting is elect four volunteer board members as we have four board members who need to be re-elected or replaced. Anyone who is interested in running for one of the board openings needs to notify either Joe Dike, the board secretary, or myself not later than 5 January 2015.

I want to take this opportunity to welcome our new residents and encourage them to attend our annual meeting to meet other residents and to see what is planned for the future of Towne Lake. In addition for those who need them, we will have Towne Lake stickers for the rear window of your car. Please ensure your name, address, and phone number are correct in the 2014 Directory. We will be printing the 2015 Directory which will have our covenants & ARC guidelines in addition to the resident directory in the early spring and would like to have all the correct information. Send any corrections to joe.dike@rjdassociates.net.

Finally, I want to wish everyone **Happy Holidays**.

Bob Frye

Towne Lake Websites

We have just completed a re-fresh of our Towne Lake website, to make things easier to find. There is a lot of information on the site: forms, past newsletters, answers to Frequently Asked Questions, fishing info, and more. You can view it at:

<http://townelakemontgomery.wordpress.com/>

This website is open to the public, and serves as an information repository for people who are interested in Towne Lake and for residents who would like quick access to information. We also still have our "closed" neighborhood watch/news website, which is at <http://groups.google.com/group/towne-lake-watch/>

A new website for news about Towne Lake also allows Android and iPhone Apps to connect.

https://townelakemontgomery.nextdoor.com/news_feed/

Sign up at the website or via the Android or iPhone app if you are interested.

We invite all of you to visit both websites regularly.

Important Dates

- January 15: Homeowners' Association General Meeting
- January 31: Homeowners' Association dues payment due

GENERAL BOARD MEETING

Please mark your calendars for our General Homeowners' Association Meeting at the Arrowhead Country Club, **January 15, 2015 at 7:00 pm.**

SANTA'S ARRIVAL

The arrival of Ole St. Nick in Towne Lake will be December 20th. Santa will arrive as usual starting at 10:00 a.m. and will visit every street in the neighborhood. Candy will be thrown out to all standing on the sides of the street. Please invite all your grandchildren and friends to come and enjoy this holiday event. Thanks to Ray Little for making this happen each year!!!!



Grounds and Beautification

We have completed 3 years of our 5 year plan to change many aspects of our commons area as well as the much needed repairs to the irrigation system. The Cherry trees that were killed or died for lack of attention will be replaced during the month of January 2015. We will take down some more wax myrtles on the west side of Technacenter Drive this winter. The choice plant to use as a replacement has not been decided. We plan to trim the magnolias at the sign facing the Atlanta Highway to stop drifters from sleeping behind the wall. The Gazebo will get new paint as well as the bridge this spring. There are several areas that we plan to pressure wash and make our entrance look much cleaner.

Daleshire Place has a new look and we thank all who have given their approval. We will continue to monitor our birch trees that are suffering due to lack of water and trunk rot at the Towne Lake entrance. We hope to get a couple more years out of them. The grounds look so much better since the grass is now being mowed with a reel mower. Last but not least, many thanks to our neighbors who pick up the trash on the streets nearly every day. Joy & Ann continue to make the potted plant look so nice with each change of the seasons. We can't say enough about these two former board members who continue to take an interest in our flowers and shrubs. If you are aware of a need please let Leon Willis know by calling him at 215-8904

Neighborhood Watch

We all need to be especially careful around this time of year. Remember to lock your cars at night, turn on outside lights, set your alarm system if you have one, and BE OBSERVANT. If you take a picture of a suspicious car, let them see you do it. Let them know we're watching.

Architectural Review Committee News

The Architectural Review Committee (ARC), namely Essie McGhee, Cabott Stough and Braxton Bridgers, will continue to review homeowners request and give approval for the ones that comply with the standards and guidelines outlined in the Covenants.

The Towne Lake Neighborhood is the most pleasant and beautiful environment in which to live. We appreciate all of our homeowners who support and comply with the guidelines by submitting their ARC request before starting on maintenance or home improvements to the outside of their house and/or yard. Many of our

homeowners continue to make wonderful improvements and complete timely maintenance on their homes, which reflects the high value of our Towne Lake Neighborhood and its residents. We, the ARC and Towne Lake Board, thank you for complying with the standards and guidelines set forth in the Towne Lake Home Owners Covenants.

Reminder!!! Homeowners must submit an ARC request before starting any modifications or repairs outside the home such as replacing windows, repainting, shrubs, additions, etc. There is no fee for an ARC request. The ARC request form is available on our website or you can also send an email to arc@townlakemontgomery.com or call Essie McGhee at 396-6764 for more information on submitting ARC requests. The average turnaround time on an ARC request is roughly 48 hours.

Our goal is to keep the Towne Lake Neighborhood beautiful & attractive. We need your help to achieve our goal.

Streets, Sidewalks, and Trash Collection

Towne Lake streets and sidewalks remain in good shape. Please continue to report problems with streets and sidewalks the City of Montgomery Maintenance Department or to any Board member. Street/sidewalk maintenance can be requested by calling 311 or 334-240-INFO (4636). Hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 6:00 am to 3:30 pm. You may also e-mail your request to 311@montgomeryal.gov. The web site for Montgomery also has a 311 button allowing you to submit Service Requests. In addition, the City of Montgomery Web Site provides a lot of information regarding all of the services offered by the City: <http://www.montgomeryal.gov/>

Trash reminder!!!! Bulk trash pickup is on Wednesday of each week. Trash should not be placed on the street before 12:00 noon on Tuesday of each week. The only exceptions for garbage pickup will be for holidays and those adjusted days will be listed on the Montgomery City website shown above.

Dues Notice

To eliminate any confusion regarding the collection of dues, please mark the following dates on your calendar.

Invoices for dues are mailedJanuary 1

(Payment must be received by January 31 to avoid late penalty of \$15.00)

Past due statements are mailed February 1

Turned over for Collection..... March 1*

Liens Filed.....March 31**

*All dues not received by the Association by these dates will be turned over to the Association Attorney for collection. Members will be responsible for the Attorney fees.

**A lien will be filed on these dates on all delinquent accounts.

Board Members

Bob Frye (President)..... 409-9858

Joe Dike
(Secretary/Directory/Streets & Sidewalks) ...866-846-4347

Laurens Pierce (Treasurer/Electrical) 277-9309

Tim Hatch (Newsletter) 213-7909

Essie McGhee (ARC)..... 396-6764

Marsha Miller (Flowers & Beautification) 244-0977

Braxton Bridgers (ARC).....244-0337

Cabott Stough (Grounds/Irrigation/ARC) 271-5116

Leon Willis (Grounds/Irrigation) 215-8904

Volunteer Consultant

David Stankard (Webmaster).....215-3109

Note to Residents: If your name is not the one listed on the Newsletter address label, please email correct information to Joe Dike at joe.dike@rjdassociates.net to update our directory. Also, if you are a new homeowner and would like your name and telephone number added to our directory, please send Joe an email.



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