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Reminder to all Homeowners

To all Turkey Creek Home Owners Association Members:

At the annual meeting on May 25th, it was noted that many properties have items (that are part of our bylaws/owners agreements) that are in need of attention. Kindly review this check list and your bylaws documents to determine if any items on your property need attention.

- Garbage cans visible from the street
- Air conditioning units visible from the street
- Boats, or out of service vehicles visible from the street
- Debris or un-stored lumber, etc. visible from the street
- Bulk trash at street long before pick- up dates (should only be out the night before proposed pick-up) if pick-up is delayed, bulk items should be removed from the curb until a confirmed pick-up date
- Trash, garbage or junk left in front yard or on a porch
- Sprinkler systems not in operation
- Lawns in need of general care
- Storm shutters still up long after storms.(Though not specifically part of By-Laws, this is very unsightly for your neighbors and visitors to our community)
- Gutters not attended to containing debris and growing plants that are visible to your neighbors. (and causing damage to your own property)
- Dogs left to bark in yards disturbing your neighbors (if you are away, and a dog sitter leaves your dogs out to bark you are responsible for this disruption)

We all enjoy this unique community that we live in. Please let us work together to take pride in our neighborhood. This is a friendly reminder to maintain your property as our covenants and by-laws require. Please make the board aware if you or a neighbor is disabled or ill, and in need of assistance so that we can provide help when possible. What are neighbors for? Let us help each other make this a beautiful community! If you are aware of a neighbor who is ill or elderly offer to help, ask others to form a work party.

CRIME WATCH

There have been several reports of unsecured/unlocked auto burglaries since Halloween and another since school has started in September. In most cases the items lost were minor items like change from an ashtray, or CDs, etc. Last year, I got a report that the unsecured car had a garage door opener in it. The burglars opened the garage door and stole the car in the garage with valuables in the car. To close this issue, I also received reports that the burglars were also operating on Glenham and in Brook Hollow as well.

PLEASE do not leave your car that is parked outside unsecured. Don't leave valuables, keys, door openers, weapons, in your car left outside. Lastly, keep an eye on your garage when the door is open.

Halloween had off-duty police patrols in the neighborhood. No incidents were reported even though we had large numbers of visitors here in Turkey Creek. Thank you for keeping your property safe during Halloween.

Christmas is here. Please be sure your yard is safe by making sure that power cords running to lights and ornaments are well secured. Eliminate trip hazards. Then enjoy the show.
Be Safe!

REQUEST FOR EMAIL ADDRESSES

The Turkey Creek Homeowner's Association needs your email and phone number. If there were an emergency, or we need to reach you, these are vital. For example, a neighbor might see someone's dog wandering outside but the person is at work and we don't have their information. Or there might be another emergency. If you want this information to be private, just let us know.

Normally we would send everyone an email, however there might be times we would call.

Please be sure we have your current email address.

Please send your contact information to Kevin Terry (HOA VP) at kevinterry01@gmail.com

OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED

"The major work of the world is... done by ordinary people, with balance in their lives, who have learned to work in an extraordinary manner." G. Hinckley. Part of that balance in our lives is community involvement. Each of us has many commitments of our time to family, church, employment, education, community, and education. There is a time and a season for all things. If you are in a time and season of your life that you have the desire and/or ability to be more involved in your community Turkey Creek could be a great opportunity for you

In the past the HOA has had various committees. Currently if you would like to be involved we would love to hear from you. Here is a list of possible roles that could be of benefit to our community.

- Front Entrance Maintenance (including sign, garden, irrigation)
- Community Communications: works with board to create and distribute periodic communications to residents;
 - Website Maintenance
 - Facebook page updates
 - Newsletter creation
 - Maintaining email lists
 - Other ideas?
- Welcoming: help welcome new neighbors to the community
- Community social events: helps plan and coordinate various social events in the community
- Safety/Crime watch

If you are interested in helping, please contact a member of the board. We would love to have your involvement.

TREASURER'S REPORT

119 of the 152 property owners in Turkey Creek have paid their dues for the current fiscal year of 2017-2018. Reminder notices went out the week before Thanksgiving. If you have not done so yet, please send in your dues as soon as possible. As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me via phone or email.

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WELCOME COMMITTEE UPDATE

Many thanks to Robin McIntosh who has been the Welcome Committee for many years. Your service is so appreciated.

I just started a few months ago, so most of the new neighbors were welcomed by Robin.

Quite a few houses have sold in the past year! So many delightful new neighbors, and lots of children moving in and grandkids coming to visit. Some of our new neighbors are: Tim and Margaret James at 2560 Lemon, myself and my mom (Lin and Margot Herz) moved into 1012 Pineapple, Andy and Debbie Dean moved into 1066 Citrus, Rosemarie Gilbert and her mom, Virginia at 1027 Pineapple, Christian and Jennifer Hodges at 1081 Mandarin. J.R. and Kim Sanchez moved from 1181 Mandarin to 1194 Mandarin. Rex and April Stevenson moved into 2599 Kumquat, Matt and Julie Newton moved into 1125 Mandarin, Mike and Kristin Wesley are at 2500 Temple, and Jesse and Rachel Miracle moved into 2554 Kumquat. Jolean and Mike Wilcox moved into 2525 Lemon.

I hope I didn't miss anyone. It's such a pleasure to live here in Turkey Creek.

Welcome to you all! We're so glad you are living in Turkey Creek. It's a great sight to see the little ones, people walking their dogs, and all the activity in Turkey Creek.

Please email or phone me when you're aware of new neighbors moving in, so that we may officially welcome them to our beautiful area. Newcomers will be visited and given their welcome gifts, including a copy of our bylaws and deed restrictions.

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GARBAGE CAN AT FRONT ENTRANCE

Melinda Deegan, our neighbor who has been working on the front entrance (which looks spectacular!) will be installing a large garbage can in hopes of encouraging everyone to use it to dispose of trash rather than tossing it on the ground. If you have children that wait for the bus there, we ask that you encourage them to use the can instead of littering. Thank you!

TCHOA FACEBOOK PAGE

We now have a Turkey Creek Homeowners' Facebook page.

Our page is a place for people to keep in touch, and add to our community feeling. People have shared that their husband was willing to help after the hurricane. Or someone is giving away plants, tables, etc.

If your dog (child, or elderly parent) is missing you can post it on our Facebook page. If you want to find out how everyone is faring during a hurricane, share what's going on at a local shop, or share about local happenings, our Facebook page is the place to be. If you want to share good news - share it on our Facebook page. How about needing a new lawn man? - ask on our Facebook page.

New or long time Turkey Creek residents might ask for recommendations for a dentist, handyman, etc.

During the hurricane members of the Facebook page kept in touch about what was going on, while people who had evacuated asked about damage and when it was safe to come home. People asked who was staying and who was going.

We keep people posted about changes in garbage collection, things to beware of (such as break-ins to cars, suspicious activity, etc.) People share when they are giving away plants or cuttings, boil water notices, and other news.

Currently we have about 45 members. To join just send me your email address.

Thank you so much.

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COLORING CONTEST

Kids, color the picture of Santa on the last page of this newsletter and drop it in the box at 2566 Limequat St. (The Deegan's home) for a chance to win a prize. Deadline is Christmas Eve.



Name

Age

Address