

Community Connections

March, 2009

A Word From the Board



The New Board takes Office

Our newly elected Board has been busy with the changing of the guard and is looking forward to another fiscally sound year as they work to improve our current amenities. However, the board would like to address some recent safety violations.

Concerns have been mentioned regarding the use of golf carts by underage drivers and the racing of golf carts on our neighborhood

streets. This seems to be a recurring problem for some. Please make sure that you and your children follow the law regarding the use of golf carts in our community. Fayette County Ordinance, Section 10-43 states:

- Any person who possesses a valid motor vehicle driver's license (16) may operate a motorized cart.
- Any person who possesses a valid motor vehicle learner's permit and is at least 15 years of age may operate a cart...as long as such person is accompanied in the front seat by a person who possesses a valid motor vehicle driver's license and is at least 18 years of age.
- No person less than 15 shall be permitted to operate a motorized cart...under any circumstances.

These laws are in place to protect you and your children. Please talk to your children about the proper and legal use of motorized vehicles within our neighborhood and ensure that these laws are being followed.

In addition, let's all work to be aware of speed limits on our neighborhood streets. The speed limit is 25 MPH.

Help Wanted: Pool Maintenance



The Pool
Committee
(Bill
Fountain) has
worked hard
keeping the

pool in shape over the past few years and would like to solicit help this season.

The Board would like to hire three high-school age students (or older) to help maintain the pool area.

The job entails cleaning the restrooms, picking up debris around the pool area, straightening the pool furniture, and rolling the trash can out to the street on designated collection days.

The Board desires three employees for this position in order allow for the afore mentioned duties to be performed daily throughout the summer season.

This would be a great way to earn some extra money!

If you are interested in this position or would like more information, please contact one of the Board members as soon as possible. Thank you.

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Mark your calendar:

- March 31 ~ HOA dues must be paid
- April I ~ Easter
 Egg Hunt at Four
 Seasons Park,
 10:30am
- May 2 ~ Pool opens for the season
- May 25 ~ RSVP to Elizabeth McCullough concerning your attendance at the HOA meeting
- May 30 ~ Annual
 Home Owner's
 Meeting at the Pool,
 6:00pm

The Social Scene



On April 11th we will have our annual Easter Egg hunt at Four Seasons Park. If you would like to participate in the hunt, please bring two dozen plastic eggs filled with candy to Elizabeth McCullough at 170 Compton Drive by

April 10th. Please do not use chocolate because it will melt. Eggs can be filled with hard candies, stickers, etc.

The festivities will begin promptly at 10:30 am. Please bring your Easter baskets and meet at the Gazebo for a hoppin' good time filled with fun and fellowship.

Please remember to check the Horsemen's Run website for more information on upcoming events and to stay up-to-date on neighborhood happenings. Make sure you register on the site so that you have access to all of the community information listed there.

Your Social Chairman is Elizabeth McCullough and she is always looking for a few good ideas and lots of volunteers. If you would like to help hide the eggs for the Big Hunt, please let her know.

Community Meeting

On **May 30th** we will have our Annual Home Owner's Association meeting at the Pool. Please make plans to attend. The Board will be updating us on future projects and would appreciate your feedback. Pizza will be served. Please RSVP to Elizabeth McCullough by **May 25th** via e-mail to let her know if you will be attending the meeting, ECM115@bellsouth.net. Please write RSVP in the subject line. The meeting will begin promptly at 6:00 pm so please be on time.

Keeping our community connected ~ Horsemen's Run Home Owner's Association



Check us out on the web! www.horsemensrun.org

Re-Sale Reminder

All homeowners in Horsemen's Run are subject to a \$600.00 resale fee when they sell their home. An Amendment to our community covenants (article 4.13) was passed by two-thirds vote of our homeowners in 2007 and recorded with the clerk of the Superior Court of Fayette County Georgia. "Upon the first sale or resale of each and every Lot to an owner who is not a builder, an initiation fee off \$600.00 shall be collected at the closing of

such sale for the benefit of the Association. These funds shall be placed in the Association's operating account for the purpose of insuring that the association will have cash available to meet unforeseen expenditures, or to acquire additional equipment or services deemed necessary or desirable by the Board." This initiation fee is not connected to the annual homeowner assessment.

The Neighborhood Watch: Safety Tips from National Child Safety Council

Are you at Home on Your Own?

Many kids stay home alone for a few hours before or after school and on the weekends, too. The National Child Safety Council came out with a few tips for children who are home alone and they are the following:

What is my plan for every morning? Have homework, books and lunch ready. Be ready to leave on time. If walking, make plans for a ride in case of bad weather. Turn off lights and lock the doors before leaving.

What if I forget my key?

Have parents leave an extra key with neighbors or relatives. Carry money in case of an emergency. Pin house key inside your clothes. Put it in your pocket, sock, backpack, or in a place where it is not visible. Never show or

loan your key to anyone.

What is the safest way I can get home?

Never take a ride, offer to help, or give directions to a stranger. Walk on main roads with a friend whenever possible. Never take shortcuts. If you are being followed, go to the nearest public place, a trusted neighbor's house.

Go straight home from the bus stop. If you miss the bus, go back inside the school for help.

What should I do first when I get home?

Before entering, make sure everything looks normal. If there is an open or broken door or window, or a ladder leading to the second floor, go to the neighbor's house right away and call parents or the police. Check in with a parent at work as soon as you get home or with a neighbor or relative.

What are basic home tips I should know?

If a stranger knocks at the door, ask their name through a closed door or the peephole. Never say you are home alone. Say, "My mom or dad can not come to the door right now. Can they call you later?" Ask a delivery person to leave packages outside. If a stranger asks to use your telephone, send them to the neighbor's house. Keep doors, windows and garages locked!

These tips are from the National Child Safety Council and were provided by Nancy Holland, Head of the Neighborhood Watch Committee



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