

### **IDLEWILD Residents!**

The **NEWSLETTER** this time will be a little bit different and maybe more informative which the Board hopes you will enjoy.

### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The Annual General Meeting was held on April 6, 2014 at the Thompson Hall Fire Station and Chief Petties, Fairhope Police was the guest speaker.

*(Crime Stats for Fairhope 2013 can be found at the end of this newsletter).*

Unfortunately only a limited number of Owners attended despite the fact that each and every one received an invitation (and Proxy as well as Invoice for the Assessment) at the end of February.

However, the Board will put up signs next year as a reminder a few days prior the meeting.

Several questions were raised and will be address by the Board.

However, remember that if you have questions or suggestions you can contact us at any time. Don't wait until next AGM!

*(Please refer to Minutes from Meetings posted on the website for information).*

### **POOL KEY PICK – UP!**

The new fence and key system for the pool has so far been a success.

However, there are approximately 40 – 50 pool keys still not picked up!

Remember that even if you do not use the pool maybe visiting friends or family would like to use your pool privilege.

A new date/time for pool-key pick up has therefore been decided:

**SATURDAY MAY 17 between 10:00am - - 12:00noon at the Pool!**

Please remember that only the Owners can sign for the key, no kids or friends.

Charge for a replacement pool key is \$25.00. Please note that a replacement key does not give you two keys. When The Automatic Access System issues a replacement key, the old key is deleted from access.

### **POOL MAINTENANCE**

The Board did, this year, also look into cost for pool maintenance and several pool companies were asked to provide bids for the maintenance.

Only one (1) company provided a bid which would have increased our monthly expense with \$150.00 per months. The Board decided to keep the present service company.

## LANDSCAPING

The cost for landscaping is the biggest expense IPOA has. The Board did therefore send out a specification to six (6) landscaping companies and asked for bids.

The bids received indicated that Coastal Exposure was the preferred option and the Board signed a new contract with them.

There were several bids that would have increased our monthly bill with several hundred dollars but the Board preferred to keep the expenses at the present level.

At the AGM there were some questions raised regarding landscaping and the Board, following the meeting, has had contacts with a group of residents regarding these issues.

The Board has agreed to have a "Landscaping Advisory Committee" to provide suggestions and recommendations for improvements. We look forward receiving their ideas.

## FINANCIALS

IPOA's financial situation is improving following the Board's determination to make sure that each property Owner is paying the Annual Assessment.

Three years ago we had 54 properties not paying. This year only three (3) have had to be handed over for legal actions. All legal cost will also have to be paid by the property Owner. Our cost for these actions are very limited but we try to avoid legal involvement by providing each Owner a reminder/certified letter asking for settlement of the account.

## ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE (or "What you must do before you do")

IDLEWILD SUBDIVISION is governed by its CC&Rs which can be found on the website ([www.idlewildpoa.com](http://www.idlewildpoa.com)) as well.

Easiest way to explain this is that any changes or improvements done to the outside must be PRE-APPROVED by the Architectural Committee.

Sometimes you may also need a City approval as well but that is different from the Subdivisions regulation. So when do you need to contact ARC?

Any new construction on your property be it a new or replacement fence, a TV dish, antenna, pool, enclosure, green house or something else.

Best advice – Contact the ARC Committee first!

Guidance is free of charge – Legal proceedings and removal can be costly!

Please also remember to give us some time for approval/questions/discussions.

**ENJOY THE SUMMER!**

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**IDLEWILD RESIDENTS—CHECK OUR WEBSITE**

**[www.idlewildpoa.com](http://www.idlewildpoa.com)** has a lot of valuable info. Use it!

Suggestions? Improvements?

Send an email to:

**[idlewildpoa@gmail.com](mailto:idlewildpoa@gmail.com)**

**October 2014**

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**IDLEWILD NEWSLETTER!**

**NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

The Board now has a few new contact persons due to Diana Will moving abroad and Johnny Young taking a step back. IDLEWILD Board now consists of the following members:

**Jonas Lyborg (President); Bud Baker (Treasurer); Marilyn Owens (Secretary)**

**Board Members: Chad McEwan; Dianne Casolaro; Greg McWhorter;**

The Board Members are, as always, available if and when needed.

**Remember – IDLEWILD is YOUR neighborhood. Be active and participate.**

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**HALLOWEEN SUPPER PARTY!**

**DATE: Friday October 31, 2014**

**TIME: 6 – 8 pm**

**LOCATION: Cul-de-sac outside 202 Orleans Drive**

**Hot dogs, water, soft drinks for everybody!**

**Meet friends and neighbors!**

**Mingle and Enjoy!**

*Please let Ashley know if you will be there (Ph: 232 5523)*

*Hope to see you there!*

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**NEW DEVELOPMENT**

The new subdivision is now being developed.

Available information indicates that the developer of Nature's Trail is now **D.R. HORTON**.

*(Latest plat of the new development is enclosed for your info).*

**IDLEWILD GENERAL INFO**

**IDLEWILD Subdivision** is a nice and clean subdivision thanks to all of us and it will be even more important now with the new subdivision that is being developed.

Real Estate prices are also directly related to how our neighborhood looks and is maintained.

Your participation is therefore important in order to make sure that:

***Street-parking is limited or non-existing***

***Your drive way and property is nice and clean***

***Yard Waste or Trash do not block the curbside or sidewalk for several days***

***The pool area is kept nice and clean***

## FINANCIALS

IPOA's financial situation is still improving following the Board's determination to make sure that each property Owner is paying Yearly Assessment and that Transfer Fees are paid each time a property changes owner. Only Two Property Owners are presently subject to legal actions. We hope this can be avoided in the future.

## MAILBOX DISASTER (again?!)

One more mailbox has recently been destroyed by reckless driving. IPOA has however been contacted by the responsible party and informed that the mailbox will be restored.

## WHAT HAS BEEN DONE BY THE BOARD?

The Board has been involved in numerous tasks including but not limited to the following:

- Meetings and discussions with the Mayor and City as well as Preble-Rish regarding bush-hogging and flooding problems from Nature's Trail as well as problems with the new side-walk along Fairhope Avenue
- Arranged snake removal from the retention pond
- Arranged cleaning of drainage ditch and City's cooperation with installation of a protection grid at the ditch
- Contacted every Real Estate Agent with a "For Sale" sign to make sure Transfer Fees and Yearly Assessment are settled at time of closing
- Arranged repairs of street pot-holes
- Arranged removal of tree stumps in median of Idlewild Blvd
- Reminding a few residents about our CC&R's and the need to comply

*However, more can be done but YOUR assistance is appreciated!*

## ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

**("What you must do before you start doing something")**

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[www.idlewildpoa.com](http://www.idlewildpoa.com).

Easiest way to explain what you need to do is to state that:

**Any changes or improvements done on the outside of your property  
and house must be**

**PRE-APPROVED by the Architectural Committee.**

Best advice – Contact the ARC Committee first!

It's free of charge!

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**DOG OWNERS! Sharpen up!**

The Board has, several times, been contacted regarding dogs running loose, messing up neighborhood properties, rushing after/against both adults and children and even attacking persons!!

**Responsible property Owners are identified!**

The Association will report all future incidents to the City of Fairhope as well as Fairhope Police Department!

**Responsible dog owners:**

Thanks for keeping your dogs on leash, in your fenced-in backyard and cleaning up after them! We know you love your pets!

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING!**

**DATE: Sunday April 6, 2014**

**Time: 2PM**

**Where: The Firestation, Thompson Hall Road**

**Guest Speaker: Fairhope Chief of Police**

**Snacks and drinks will be provided.**

**YEARLY ASSESSMENTS**

The Invoice for Yearly Assessment is now being mailed out!

Assessment for 2014 is the same as before: \$300.00

Late Fee and Legal Actions will come into effect April 15.

Please pay on time—Latest March 31!

**NEW GUIDELINES FOR POOL  
RESERVATION**

Please see the website  
([www.idlewildpoa.com](http://www.idlewildpoa.com)) for details!

**POOL KEYS**

Do not forget to pick up your pool key as soon as possible. **WE** might not be here when **YOU** want it later on!

**ONGOING DISCUSSIONS**

**-NEW SUBDIVISION:** Development on the new subdivision has started. Remember that there is a working group assigned for issues related to this development. Colin Keleher is coordinating.

**-RECYCLING:** Do your best to recycle correctly and in accordance with the City's information. Your items will otherwise be left at the curbside.

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