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President's Corner

Fall is upon us and I find myself taking stock of what I've accomplished for the year and what I still need to do.

We as a community have made several strides and must be thinking and planning for next year and the years to come.

In 2023 we must fill several seats on our board of directors, and I would ask those of you that have not served on the board to really think about it. I find it hard to believe that I have been on the board for five years and looking back on those years it has been fun and rewarding.

From serving I learned that we do not have a lot of money after we pay our assessments to the CTA, pay for road resurfacing, pay for the pool and grounds maintenance and to make matters worse the CTA will

be increasing charges by \$10.00 per lot this year. The pool has new lounges this year because of private donations rather than

increasing lot assessments. We need to upgrade or replace more pool furniture this year which along with everything else that has been going up will really strain our budget.

So, we must look at asking for donations, assessing a onetime increase, or raising the overall property assessments. This is something we all must consider in the upcoming months along with everything else going up like gas, food, etc.

Your board is doing everything it can to cut corners without cutting services and provide the necessary services to our community. But I see the same basic core people in our community carrying the load and I would like to see more involvement from our members.

That is why I would ask you to be more involved; talk to your board members about your visions for our community and think about workable solutions to our problems.

Fall Clean Up and Pick-up

The annual Fall Clean-up is projected for Saturday October 15th. The pick-up of tree limbs, trimmings and yard waste is set for October 24th so you should start setting out your tree limbs and trimmings near the roads for easy pick-up the first week of October.

The current POA guidelines allow homeowners to set out yard waste 30 days prior to pick-up. The reasoning for this is to reduce clutter, reduce the likelihood of snakes like dangerous copperheads from using the brush piles as refuge and to assist homeowners in maintaining their yards.

Volunteers for the clean-up should meet at the pool parking areas on Saturday, October 15th at 9 AM and we'll work until about 12 noon and enjoy light snacks and beverages furnished by the POA.

All volunteers need to bring gloves and tools for the areas they would like to work in.

The areas that need attention are:

a. Gazebo/Pool Area: general clean-up of sticks and limbs, removal of dead plants.

b. Road Crew: clean-up road areas of sticks and limbs, blow out drainage channels on road sides.

c. Entrance Area: trim plants, remove weeds around South Landing signage.

Remember no bagged material. For questions contact Ed Nelson, (910) 488-8007.

Architectural Committee

This quarter I would like to share some thoughts on our undeveloped lots. While many are owned by non-residents, there are several that are owned by residents of South Landing, as well as residents of other POA's in Trace.

The most important part of what I have to say is about safety.

Dead, decaying, fallen limbs and trees offer many dangers. Fire is a big problem, especially when a perfect storm of dryness, heat wind and one lightning bolt could result in a disaster.

Also, lots not maintained provide safe homes for unwanted reptiles, animals, and pests. Additionally, cleaner lots just look nicer and keep out property values up.

Picking up the ditches in front of your personal lots goes a long way to keeping our community beautiful. It also prevents

flooding as we approach the hurricane season.

Social Committee

The October POA Dinner and Golf Outing went very good!

Save the date! The South Landing Holiday Dinner and Golf Outing will be December 1, 2022.

We will be having our annual holiday decoration contest! It is always tough competition so start planning now.

The halloween decorations are now up and we will be putting the Thanksgiving and Christmas ones up soon. I'd like to assemble a committee of people willing to help out. If interested you may contact me at esoebbin@gmail.com.

Between the Covers - Our South Landing Book Club

We are a group of mostly South Landing women who gather monthly to discuss books we've selected for our reading list. Our reading group provides us with an opportunity to develop friendships and indulge in some very enjoyable discussions and learning adventures on topics we might never have chosen otherwise.

We started our new season in September with Pachinko by Min Jin Lee. It's a fascinating story of Koreans living in Japan before and after World War II.

Our October selection was about Elizabeth Blackwell, the first woman doctor. Hers was a very interesting story of perseverance in a society that didn't permit women to be educated much less trained as a doctor. Dr Blackwell went on to promote preventive medicine and social practices to avoid many needless diseases in the first place.

For November 4th we are reading The Huntress by Kate Quinn. Based on true events it's about a search for a female Russian sniper in WWII.

The rest of our list follows:
December 2: The Silent Patient by Alex Michaelides
January 6: West With Giraffes by Lynda Rutledge
February 3: Her Hidden Genius by Marie Benedict
March 3: The Theta Prophecy by Chris Dietzel
April 14: Light Beyond the Trenches by Alan Hlad
May 5: Revolutionary Mothers by Carol Berkin
June 2: A Brilliant Night of Stars and Ice by Rebecca Connally

If you have any interest in joining our group please contact Peggy Monaco at PKMVA@hotmail.com or Janet Iotti at jlotti93@gmail.com We meet on the first Friday of the month from 1-3 pm.

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