The Lake Heron "Banner"

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Board Members Elected for 2009

At the annual meeting on January 15th directors were elected for the 2009 term and officers were appointed. Four of the directors from the past year were re-elected; President - **Bob Sumbury**, Vice President - **Michele Corso**, Secretary – **Dan Coe** and Director at Large - **Marsha Lisk**. One new director was elected, **Max Saus** who will assume the role of Treasurer.

Max Saus is not new to Lake Heron, having moved here in 2001, nor should his name be new to our residents. Max and Carol Saus are among our most active volunteers. Max serves on the Finance Committee, Architectural Control Committee and is chairman of the RV Park Committee.

Max doesn't limit his volunteer work to Lake Heron. He serves on the board of Habitat for Humanity of Central Pasco and is a weekly volunteer at James Haley Veterans Hospital. He also brings experience in community management to our board. Max was Vice-President and Membership Chairman of the Twelve Oaks Civic Association, where he and Carol lived prior to Lake Heron, and was elected as a director of the board of the Twelve Oaks Taxing District.

The board meets on the third Thursday of each month except for July and August.

Survey: If you would like to receive a copy of the monthly Banner in your email, please send your request to banner@proact10.com

Read the Banner on the web at www.lakeheron.org

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NEW 2009
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President - Robert Sumbury

Vice President – Michelle Corso

Secretary – Dan Coe

Treasurer – Max Saus

Dir. at Large – Marsha Lisk

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The election of officers meeting is at 7:00 pm. February 19

Lake Heron Bulletin Board

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Cornered Nature – with Ruth Copeland

Goodbye Freeze, Hello Spring Flowers

An unusual frost blanketed Lake Heron in January

I have lived in Florida 28 years and learned, by experience, that a February frost is possible. But I like to think positive. Don't be hasty about planting replacement flowers, or trimming back shrubs. Many shrubs look dead now, but the rule of thumb is to wait at least two weeks before cutting back. First take a sharp object and gently scrape the bark on the branch.

If green shows it means "it lives". Don't break or cut

off branches until you make this test. You don't want to expose tender live branches in case there is another cold spell. Foliage may look ugly, droopy, and tired but give it time to recover and for new growth to appear.

Our lawn crew will also wait, so be patient and considerate. - Ruth Copeland

HOW 'BOUT DOSE GATOR'S???

Florida Gators are National Champions!!

For several months I have been speaking with alligator specialists, including a supervisor at the state Alligator Hotline, about our pond. In 2007, a resident gator was removed from Lake Heron. That gator was quite Lake Heron has been cleared of most shoreline vegetation and is not conducive to "gators"; at least not the 4 legged kind!!!!. large at about six feet long.

Lake Heron's pond should have a small gator. Our pond has an abundance of turtles and fish. Alligators feed on turtles and fish, especially weak and dying ones. They are nature's garbage collectors. They also help control the population of ducks in a pond. Many residents around the pond have said they would like a small gator in the pond.

State trappers will relocate a small one, but not one that has been a pest somewhere else. Alligators won't stay in a pond that isn't aquatic friendly with some natural vegetation somewhere along the shore line.

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From time to time many of us have family and friends visiting us from other parts of the world. We would like to invite you to request a few paragraphs from your guests to remind all know how much we should appreciate our beautiful community. Here is some feedback form our recent family guests. R & E Deval

Guest Quarters - As regular visitors to Lake Heron, we would just like to tell you how wonderfully peaceful and tranquil it is here. The grounds and everyone's gardens are beautifully cared for, and being able to wake up in the morning and look out onto the lake is so restful. Our stay at Lake Heron was capped off on Sunday while we sat on the lanai and watched and listened to the Hot-Air Balloons soaring over the Lake – what a special treat!!

Being able to see the vast variety of bird life, the fish jumping and, not forgetting the turtles, makes our visit absolutely perfect; and so, we will be returning shortly to visit our family and friends at Lake Heron.

John & Val Forte – London, England

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"When love and skill work together, expect a masterpiece."

"It is amazing what can be accomplished when nobody cares about who gets the credit."

As many of you know, the community recently voted to heat the pool. The board and voting residents agreed to heat the pool during the winter months until January 1, so that the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holiday periods were covered to accommodate many of our Holiday visitors. So far it's been a huge success.

I apologize for not posting this notice sooner, but the pool heater will not be turned on again until March 1.

This is being done to keep electric expenses to a minimum and still provide the community with a heated pool for the rest of the year.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at 813-948-8043.

Ed Martinell

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Board (President)	Bob Sumbury
Board (Vice-President)	Michele Corso
Board (Secretary)	Marsha Lisk
Board (Treasurer)	Barb Kawczynski
Board (Director A.L.)	Dan Coe
Grounds	
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Dan Coe	Craig Mellinger
Carol Fraser	Carol Saus
Architectural Control	Linn Torres (Chairperson)
	Max Saus
	Nelson LeMarquand
Finance	John Copeland
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RV Park	Max Saus
	Bev Maples
	Herb Bell
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John Copeland	Bill Beck
Pam Schwebl	Phil Simmons
	Barb Kawczynski
Reservations	Ed Martinell
Park	
Barbara/Bob Kawczynski	Ron & Lori Bowman
Dan & Carolyn Coe	Ruth Copeland
Michele Corso	Lucy Cusack
Carol Fraser	Linn Torres
Carol Saus	Pam Schwebl
Parking Enforcement	Kim Bonke
	Linn Torres
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	Carolyn Coe
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Carol Fraser	Sherry Williamson
John Copeland	Betty Joe Lyons
Maria Saldarriaga	
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