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*Lake Heron is a welcoming, caring, vibrant and well managed community we call home.*

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| ***LAKE HERON ANNUAL***  ***Community YARD SALE***  ***Sat. Nov. 13th 2021***  ***7:30am-2:30pm***  Or until you run out of STUFF or STEAM!  **Please Drop off $2.00 in a SEALED ENVELOPE With your NAME, ADDRESS, and PHONE #**  **If you plan to PARTICIPATE in ADVANCE** to:  Linn Torres 813-240-4398  1713 Lake Heron Drive…Leave in front porch  *\*\*****THIS WILL ENSURE\*\****  **A sign is made for your STREET as well as signs put up on Osprey, 41 & 54. All you have to do is get your things ready for the SALE!**  **\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\***  Email your articles for the next issue to  Dee Ryder at **Dee\_Ryder@Verizon.net**  put ***"For The Banner"*** in the Subject line *Please* …  Only emailed items will be accepted.  ***November 2021 Banner Deadline is October 27, 2021*** |

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***October***

***Board Meeting will be on***

***Oct 11, 2021 at***

***6:30 PM on ZOOM. This is a permanent time change***

***President’s Corner***

**Reminder**: October 11, 2021 Board Meeting at 6:30 PM will be a Virtual Meeting on Zoom.

**Lake Heron Committees: Functions, duties, responsibilities, and volunteer time required.**

Committees are an opportunity to meet new friends, develop bonds, promote ideas to keep LH vibrant, have a voice, be a team player and of course also to have fun. The Board approves and sets up the basic committee structure. Each committee should have an approved written verbiage of its function, duties, limits, and budget. We recommend the active participation of three persons with possibly a rotating chair position and duty assignments. One duty is to report the committee’s activities to the Board once a month. Time required? We are volunteers and time is precious. My guess is no more than a few hours a week if the committee functions as a shared responsibility team. The richness of blending shared ideas and experiences generally yields a higher quality product. The team approach also promotes discovering more community ideas.

***What are some tentative committees?***

**Lake Committee:** Annual Group inspection of docks and lake shore erosion. Monitor and schedule plant abatement, fish restocking, and alligator behavior. Monitor and report on enforcement of lake rules. Develop / suggest lake maintenance cost saving opportunities and ideas. Report to the Board.

**Grounds Committee:** Visually track (with no authority to direct or reprimand) the quality of our vendor grounds crews, monitor plant and shrub conditions on common grounds, sprinkler efficiency, recommend new planting or landscape ideas to keep our community vibrant. Develop / suggest grounds maintenance cost saving opportunities and ideas. Report to the Board.

**Club House Committee:** Visually monitor the courts, pool, and clubhouse activity for safety and proper rule adherence. Visually monitor the pool, pool deck, courts, furniture, restrooms, etc for cleanliness and maintenance needs. Develop / suggest grounds maintenance cost saving opportunities and ideas. Report to the Board.

**IT / Communications Committee:** Brainstorm, develop, and suggest ideas to bring LH’s ability to efficiently and effectively communicate better and more transparently between board members, committees, and residents. This scope could utilize electronic communication boards, Facebook, website, media social use, and security system implementation. Also could include education and training of effective and efficient electronic tool use.

It is important for a community’s future that new residents step up and populate committees and board positions as attrition is a reality. It is also recommended that individuals volunteer and serve on only one committee to prevent undue influence in the community’s government, authoritarianism, or the need to do it all. It is best served for a community for a board member to help form or mentor a committee, but actively participate in only one.

Stay healthy and safe,

Sam Gray

Email: [LH.President99@gmail.com](mailto:LH.President99@gmail.com)

PH: 607-738-2137

Note: To obtain an email copy of the LH Meeting agenda and to receive email of pertinent information or notifications between Banner printings, I need interested residents to send me an email stating their approval to receive email agendas and pertinent notifications. Your email will not be publically shared. Sent the email to: [LH.President99@gmail.com](mailto:LH.President99@gmail.com)

***Covid 19 Boosters (And More)***

Hello everybody! Hope you had a good summer and are well. With respect to  Covid 19, you probably know that the Delta virus is currently causing almost all cases in the United States and the world. This is because of its very high transmissibility; it essentially crowds out other competing viruses by infecting human hosts more rapidly and in large numbers. The virus actually forms clumps, so even if antibodies attack the outer virus, the inner, more protected virus, remains intact.

At  the time of this writing, in  the US there have been 691,000 deaths and over 43 million cases. Worldwide, there have been about 232 million cases and nearly 5 million deaths. Delta virus cases previously decreased in number after the initial peak in India and the UK for unknown reasons. Whether the US will enjoy a similar drop in case counts is unpredictable. Even if this occurs, most likely another viral variant will emerge. One variant under surveillance is known as the Mu virus, which originated in Japan. Currently, there have been 10,000 documented cases of this virus in the US. Little is known about the characteristics of this variant.  Other variants are appearing in substantial numbers. This can only be stopped by increasing immunity in the population, eventually comprising herd immunity, or sufficient numbers of people immune to Covid to lower and possibly stop new cases.There are only two ways to become immune; infection and vaccination, the latter obviously being the preferred option. Urge everyone you can to get vaccinated. Currently, about 64% of Americans are fully vaccinated, To sum up, we have a long way to go to get to herd immunity.

There is some hopeful news about vaccination. According to a study from Emory, one third of persons who previously refused vaccination have subsequently been vaccinated, but about one third have stated they have no intention of doing so. Vaccines are free to the patient. It was hoped that full FDA approval of the Pfizer vaccine  might move those on the fence toward vaccination, but this hasn’t happened as yet( full approval for the J&J and Moderna boosters should come soon).

As you know, booster doses of vaccine are now available to some, if they were originally vaccinated at least 6 months ago. They are; persons over age 65, persons 18 years and older who are in  high risk work settings, such as medical personnel, and persons age 18 and over who have high risk conditions. Lists of high risk work settings and qualifying conditions are available on line. Currently, boosters are available only to persons originally vaccinated with the Pfizer vaccine. The necessary data for full FDA approval of the Johnson & Johnson and Moderna vaccines is still being scrutinized by the FDA, and approval of boosters with these is expected shortly. Substantial increases in antibodies have been seen after booster administration with all three vaccines.

In including persons in high risk settings to be among those categories eligible for boosters, Dr Walensky, CDC director, overruled her own CDC advisory panel on vaccinations, a very unusual thing in the CDC.

A number of countries are administering boosters currently,  including Germany, Israel, the UK, France, and others. The question of boost or not to boost, before final decisions were made, provoked much debate among American scientists. Those against argued that; we should first be vaccinating the rest of the world where needed, before giving third doses to the US population, and vaccinate the

unvaccinated in the US. Also, the existing vaccines do a pretty good job of preventing serious illness, hospitalization and death, causing some to question the need for boosters at this point in time.  It was also pointed out that booster doses would not be risk free, but risk is not expected to be any different from the original vaccines, which proved remarkably safe. Those in favor of boosters point to an increasing number of “breakthrough infections”, infections occurring in fully vaccinated people, as evidence that vaccine-induced immunity is waning. Israeli  data also shows more breakthrough infections in fully vaccinated elders compared with those that are younger, suggesting possible reduction in immune response. Israeli data also shows a marked drop in infections in fully vaccinated elders after a booster compared with prior to “boosting”. Other scientists feel that, while vaccines are preventing serious illness now, this may not continue  given the evidence of waning immunity mentioned above.

In the meantime, continue to mask indoors, and outdoors if in close contact with people not in your “bubble”, wash your hands, stay 6 feet from others, and consider strongly a booster when available.

*~Bram Smith, MD*

***LAKE HERON HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING***

***October 11, 2021 / 6:30 P.M. (Rev: 09/30/21)***

***AGENDA***

1. **Residents Discussion and Comments from the floor**
2. **Call to Order**
3. Establish Quorum –Roll Call
4. Proof of Due Notice Posted: 48 Hr. Secretary
5. Reading of Minutes – Secretary
6. **Committee Reports**
   1. Treasurer – review Road Reserve Funds for Board
   2. Finance
   3. Architectural Control
   4. Grounds
   5. Club House
   6. RV Parking
   7. The Park Team
   8. Parking Enforcement
   9. Social Committee
7. **Old / Unfinished Business:**
8. Questions / Discussion of proposed LH budget.

Motion (S): I move that the proposed LH budget presented at the September Board meeting be past.

Or I move that the proposed LH budget presented at the September Board meeting be modified as per this meetings discussion. ***(continued on next page)***

1. UPI, Angela, report on Civil Engineering / Paving Vendor input on LH road conditions and bids for enhancement / repair.
2. UPI will transfer the outdated welcome booklet into a digital word format for each board member to review, suggest editing changes, and ideas to prepare a new updated generic booklet that will span years of use.
3. **New Business:**
4. UPI - New lock on Pool door. Status?
5. Max: Explanation of a proposed common ground land transfer (portion of Lake Floyd Dr. brick wall) between LH and Gulf Coast Construction.
6. Cyndie: Discussion of proposed November catered Social Event for 50-60 people. Est $1,000
7. Discussion of proposed Welcome Package.
8. Looking for Board Members to volunteer to draft the framework for new and existing committees for entire Board review / approval. Need Purpose, general operating description, duties and limits. Possible committees: Lake, IT / Communications, Parking, Grounds, Social, Club Housed, Rules / Enforcement, Maintenance inspection (could include townhouse, fence, and areas of power washing).

9. **Adjournment** *Note: Next Zoom Meeting November 8th, 2021 at 6:30 PM*

Note: First part of meeting residents and committee members may address a topic for up to 3 minutes. Speakers must refrain from entering into a debate or group interaction. Board members may return only pertinent brief comments. Then Committee reports will be given as a report. Moving to the board members portion, all residents and committee members will be muted to provide board members discussion and voting.

***Did You Know????***

1. LH lawn cutting service is now on an every other week cycle for the Fall / Winter. (Mowing every two weeks).
2. New lock on the pool to replace a faulty one, but still utilizing existing keys.
3. The Board has requested UPI to contact Civil Engineering for input to determine road conditions for future road repair / re-pavement.
4. A new addition of the LH “Welcome Booklet” for new residents is in process.
5. Plans are in the works for a November 2021 LH Social.
6. New plantings were approved for the Club House areas.
7. There is a proposal for a land transfer that would give LH complete ownership of the Brick Wall viewed when entering LH on Lake Floyd Dr. from Route 41. We now lack owning a small section.
8. Linn Torres is seeking volunteers to help pretty up the landscape near the compost area.
9. Still seeking residents to step up for committees, to challenge Board members, and attend Board Zoom meetings.

*~Sam* 10/01/21

***Note:*** This is a representative Director and Committee Member Application form. For those interested is stepping up to support our Lake Heron Community. Complete with your interests and forward to:

Angela Hester c/o Universal Properties Inc. or Sam Gray – President for transferring to UPI

**LAKE HERON HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

**WRITTEN NOTICE OF DESIRE TO BE A CANDIDATE FOR DIRECTOR**

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, hereby request that my name be included on the ballot as a Candidate for the Board of Directors.

LH Address \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Please email to manager or mail or fax to Universal Properties Inc. 3018 N. U.S. Highway 301, Suite 950, Tampa, Florida 33169. Fax: (813) 980 -2233

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**CERTIFCATION REQUIRED Pursuant to Florida Statute 720.3033**

Lake Heron Homeowners Association Inc.

I, (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ certify to the Secretary of the association that I have read the declaration of covenants, articles of incorporation, bylaws and current written policies. I agree to work to uphold our documents and policies to the best of my abilities. Furthermore, I will faithfully discharge my fiduciary responsibility to the association’s members.

Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***Must be received no later than December 31, 2021***

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**Application for Lake Heron Homeowners Association Committee Member or Committee Formation**

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, hereby request the LH Board to consider my name for membership on the following committee (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_). And/or I request consideration by the Board to form the following committee. (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_).

These applications for Committee membership or Committee formation should be emailed to Angela Hester @ UPI or Sam Gray a minimum of one week prior to any scheduled Board meeting for Board consideration and meeting inclusion.

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***Garbage and Recycling***

If you recycle, you ***CAN NOT*** use any bags.

You ***MUST*** use a dedicated container (tub or can).

***The Recycling will be picked up every Wednesday,***

***usually before 7am***

The truck crews will pass by any container that has plastic bags.

We see more and more bags being left out for curbside pick up, and those bags are being ignored.

Your recycle container should have a “Recycle Sticker” on it.

The stickers can be obtained by calling **727-856-4539**.

***Reminder – When Home or Away***

You can still get The Banner and keep up with Lake Heron news by accessing the Lake Heron website.

Access to Lake Heron Web Page

1. Type into your internet search page **“univprop.com”**
2. Locate **“Association Pages”** in the contents list in the left border
3. Lake Heron’s number is 4350. Put your mouse in the number list and scroll down to 4350 and click on it.
4. The website will now open with the calendar of events for the clubhouse.  To reach other pages just scroll down (or Page Down).

On our web page you’ll find copies of The Banner, Board Minutes, Directors and committee Chairpersons. Our standardized forms in printable copies are on the web page.

***Information To Set Up Zoom For Lake Heron Meetings***

In order to attend the Zoom meeting you will need to download the [Zoom.us](http://zoom.us/) app by going to [www.zoom.us/download](http://www.zoom.us/download) and click to sign up. You will need a camera and a microphone on your computer in order to participate. On the scheduled date and time of the meeting you would click on join a meeting and you will be asked for the following information in order to be a part of the meeting:

**MEETING ID: 219 022 5906    /     PASSCODE:  2020**

***RECYCLING***

You can place your recycling curbside for pickup every Wednesday of each month. Please Recycle in a container (NOT A BAG)

Things to recycle are...Plastic, paper, Amazon boxes, other cardboard. *NO GLASS*

Thank you for doing your part to

Save our Planet!

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***HOA Dues***

Homeowners can now pay association dues with credit cards if they wish.

Simply go to **www.univprop.com** and click on pay credit card payment and follow the link.

Visa, Master Card, American Express and Discover Card may be used.

If the homeowner does use the credit card there is a 5% convenience fee the homeowner is charged.

***Lake Heron Contact Information*:**

***Property Manager*** - Angela Hester

University Properties Inc. 813-980-1000

or email her at... ahester@univprop.com

***Website* -** Univprop.com - HOA# "4350"

***Volunteers* *Name***

**Board (President) Sam Gray**

**Board (VP) Max Saus**

**Board (Secretary) Ron Bowman**

**Board (Treasurer) Cyndie Smith**

**Board (Director A.L.) Mike Flanagan**

**Park**

Ron & Lori Bowman Kathy & Sam Gray

Pam Schwebl Ruth Copeland

Don Bushkie Linn Torres

Bonnie Mikulla Maxine Pickert

Susan Hoelseggen Lee Carter

Pam Kelly Sheila King

**Social Committee**

Sheryl and Ron Spencer Cyndie and Bram Smith

**Newsletter Delivery**

Vickie Morris Beverly Patterson

Betsy Nehr Sherry Williamson

John Copeland Maria Saldarriaga

Hoke Cash

**Newsletter** Dee Ryder

**Grounds**

Don Bushkie Ruth Copeland (Irrigation)

**Architectural Control** Pam Kelley (Chairperson)

Matt Boisvert

Rachel Powers

Bill Prall

**Finance**

Kathy Gray Cyndie Smith

John Copeland

**RV Park**

Max Saus (Chairperson) Larry Kelly   
Hoke Cash

**Community Center**

Ed Martinell

John Copeland

**Wright Termite & Pest Control - 813-948-0229**