

# Windermere Lakes

HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION



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## President's Message

Our Annual Homeowner Meeting was held on November 12, 2008. There was a Quorum reached and we proceeded with the business of the Windermere Lakes Homeowner Association.

There was much discussion at the meeting regarding the 2009 Financial & Budget Report. We want to assure all residents that we are monitoring expenses as closely as possible, without compromising the integrity of repairs and items that must be maintained or provided on behalf of our neighborhood. The rising costs of energy, the age/condition of many of our fountain pumps and motors has presented a real challenge. We are financially sound and are making every effort to obtain competitive bids and review all contracts again during 2009 for cost improvement while not sacrificing service standards.

Windermere Lakes did suffer perimeter fence damage from Hurricane Ike so those expenses have to be considered on behalf of our residents. Those repairs should have been completed or well on the way to completion at the time of this newsletter.

Speaking of newsletters, our newsletters for November and December 2008 were not our usual communication as the Hurricane Ike catastrophe occurred and our editor, Gerri Eubank was hospitalized. We did not have any Windermere Lakes information submitted as everyone was recovering from Hurricane Ike damages and related inconveniences. Thanks to Peel, Inc., our publisher, they managed to continue the newsletter with content non-specific to Windermere Lakes so there was no lapse in our newsletters. We appreciate their assistance!

The elections were held for our 2009 Board of Directors and we want to express our appreciation to those members that have so generously served the Windermere Lakes HOA during 2008:

Kevin Swicegood, Sreehari Gorantla, Kevin McClard, Gerri Rougeau-Eubank, Tom DeJohn

Kevin McClard and Tom DeJohn will not be returning on the Board of Directors for 2009 and they will be greatly missed! **THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU HAVE DONE FOR WINDERMERE LAKES!** (However, they aren't getting far as we need them to continue working on behalf of Windermere Lakes as their input is very valuable to all of us!)

We have two (2) new Board Members that have joined the team for 2009: Brian Greenhouse and Mandeep Thukral

Welcome to each of you and we all look forward to working with you.

Get involved.... we could use your expertise on our 2009 Committees!

Kevin Swicegood, President



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NEW YEAR

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- Windermere Lakes Board of Directors

## LANDSCAPE FOCUS

### Windermere Yard of the Month

#### Congratulations!

The winner is.....



#### 12015 Sunrise Way

This winner's landscaping was great and impressed members of our committee as the selection for 'Yard of the Month' for December. This is their SECOND Yard of the Month Award... congratulations for the pride you have in your home and our neighborhood.

The homeowner receives a \$25 Gift Card from Home Depot, bragging rights to the honor AND our WL Yard of the Month sign remains in their yard during the month. Our thanks go out to all residents that care about their homes and keep their lawns maintained.

We thank you for making our neighborhood more beautiful and enjoyable!

We do appreciate the time and participation by our judging volunteers during this selection process!

Sreehari Gorantla

Landscape Committee

# Windermere Lakes

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Vice President .....	Kevin McClard
Treasurer .....	Sreehari Gorantla
Secretary .....	Gerri Rougeau-Eubank
Directors.....	Mandeep Thukal and Brian Greenhouse

### Committees:

Lake.....	Tom DeJohn
Social.....	Kenya Castille (Chair) Bill Wentzell (Co-Chair)
Clubhouse/Recreational Facilities .....	Dianne Wentzell
Communication.....	Gerri Rougeau-Eubank
Landscape .....	Sreehari Gorantla
Finance.....	Sreehari Gorantla
Architectural Control/Deed Restrictions .....	TBA

*All Board members and Committees  
can be contacted at [www.windmerelakes.net](http://www.windmerelakes.net)*

*\* We are in the process of establishing our Committees for 2009 and need resident volunteers! If you are interested in participating with us, please contact us at [www.windmerelakes.net](http://www.windmerelakes.net) for more details. This is a great way to meet your fellow neighbors and to help make our Windermere Lakes community a better place to live.*

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## Message From The Board

HAPPY NEW YEAR to ALL! We hope all the residents of Windermere Lakes

enjoyed their holiday season and are ready to begin the journey for a great 2009. The decorations for our neighborhood during the holidays were fantastic! A big thanks goes out to those residents that made the spirit of the holidays even more evident with the display of beautiful lights and holiday themes. Every year more lakeside residents decorate their back lake fences and homes. Seeing this participation can really put you in the holiday spirit as the lights reflect off the lake.... Awesome!

This is our first newsletter of 2009 and we really want the newsletters to contain more information that YOU want to see and read. In order to accomplish this, we need your assistance! Without your input, the newsletter becomes less personal and more advertising! We continue to believe that communication is an essential part of making Windermere Lakes a better place to live and allowing all of us to know what is planned or what has happened on a timely basis.

The newsletter is designed to distribute information about Windermere Lakes and the things that are happening in/around the neighborhood. If you have any information that you would like to share or see in the newsletter, please take time to let us know.

Special thanks go out to Bill & Dianne Wentzell, Kevin Swicegood,

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## Message from the Board - (Continued from Page 2)

Kenya Castile, Sreehari Gorantla, Gerri Eubank and all the volunteers that worked on the 2008 Holiday Party. It was a huge success. Everyone seemed to enjoy visiting with their Windermere Lakes neighbors and of course, 'Breakfast with Santa' was a great way to start the day!

Thanks to all those that have volunteered and worked on the various committees for Windermere Lakes this past year... your participation is appreciated AND will be greatly welcomed again for 2009!

While we do greatly appreciate our current volunteers, the Board is asking for additional Committee Volunteers so we can further develop the working committees for 2009. There will be some leadership changes for 2009 and new committee chairpersons... they will need your support and assistance to reach their goals for 2009! The WL Committees are an important part of our neighborhood and directly benefit all residents. The stronger and more active our committees are will allow us to better serve you!

Please contact us if you are interested in participating on any committee... remember, the more volunteers we can count on make the overall projects easier for everyone! WE NEED YOU!!

[www.windermerylakes.net](http://www.windermerylakes.net)

## Landscape Focus

### Windermere Yard of the Month Congratulations!

Our November winner was.....

**10226 Ripple Lake**

(No Photo Available)

This winner's landscaping was great and impressed members of our committee as the selection for 'Yard of the Month' for November.

The homeowner received a \$25 Gift Card from Home Depot, bragging rights to the honor AND our WL Yard of the Month sign remains in their yard during the month. Our thanks go out to all residents that care about their homes and keep their lawns maintained.

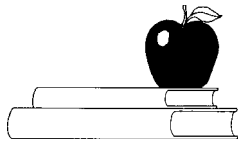
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*Sreehari Gorantla*

Landscape Committee

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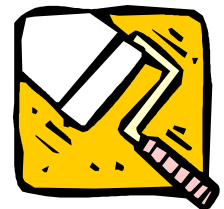
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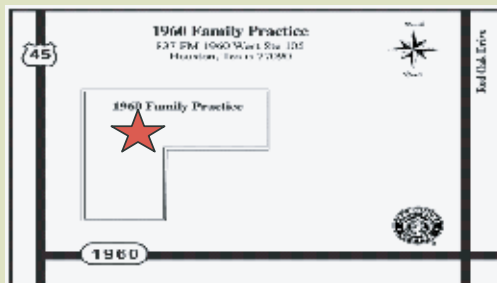
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The Christmas Holiday party held on December 6th, at the Clubhouse, was a great success! I want to personally thank all of you who helped in any fashion. The food and fellowship, as always, was great and included some tasty treats for everyone.

It was a pleasure to see all of you there! I enjoyed meeting some of our newcomers from the neighborhood. This was a great opportunity to visit with our neighbors and get to know those newcomers as well as visit with many other residents of our community.

'Breakfast with Santa' on Saturday morning was especially exciting! We all watched the children as they excitedly made their way to see Santa to share their wish for Christmas and to receive an extra special treat. We hope you enjoyed the photographs of the children with Santa and if you would like to ask Santa to join us for breakfast again next year, please let us know! Santa's schedule is extremely busy so we need to put our order in now so he can get us on his travel schedule for 2009!

We are looking forward to the new year of events at Windermere Lakes. If you are interested in volunteering for any event, we can be reached at [www.windermerylakes.net](http://www.windermerylakes.net). We are looking for new committee members, guaranteed fun and fellowship.. contact us!

**Social Committee Chair: Bill Wentzell**

*Note: We will be changing to a new Social Committee Chair for 2009. Kenya Castile will be taking over the reins and has some great ideas. I will continue to be available and hope YOU will volunteer to assist so we can continue our great parties and social activities for 2009!*

**2009 CALENDAR OF EVENTS:** Dates to be Advised ... Planning Sessions Going on Now!!

## Security Report

Please be aware and on the lookout for any persons you believe to be suspicious and/or that do not appear to belong in our neighborhood. Please report them so they can be checked out by the proper authorities.

We are again experiencing Auto Vandalism throughout the neighborhood. Please DO NOT keep any items of value in your vehicle as they are breaking windows, rummaging through the vehicle for anything of value.

Our own vehicles were broken into (both at same time) on 12/11/08 (Miramar Shores). While there were no real items of value left in the vehicles, the hassle of the broken windows and inconvenience of repair requirements was enough to really make us angry.

We did report the incident to Sheriff's Dept. and Officer John Griffin was there to assist us. While there he could catch them that morning, he is trying to regularly be in our neighborhood as he would really like to catch the persons doing the damage!!

On a lighter note, we have new 'Fishing Signs' that have been put in the lake areas. These signs advise that the lakes are for Resident Fishing Only.. If you see anyone that shouldn't be on our lakes, please report:

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WL Security Committee

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## Clubhouse Pool, Patio 'n' Playground (Recreational Facilities Committee)

While our pool area is closed for the winter, we need volunteers to share ideas and assist with the planning of fun for both the children and adults of Windermere Lakes for our 2009 Pool Season.

Our Clubhouse is available for rental. You can contact SCS Management to secure your date and the rules/regulations for rental. Information is also on our website at [www.windermere lakes.net](http://www.windermere lakes.net)

If you are interested in being part of our Committee to make our pool and recreational areas more enjoyable, please contact Dianne by email at [ldwentzell@gmail.com](mailto:ldwentzell@gmail.com) or through the website at [www.windermere lakes.net](http://www.windermere lakes.net). *We hope to hear from you soon!*

*Dianne Wentzell, Chairperson, WL Recreational Facilities Committee*

## What's Happening On The Lakes...

If you have some news or fun activities going on at your Lake, please let us hear from you!

We'd like to share the news in our future newsletters. Are you or someone in your family running in a marathon, have a new member in your family, children accomplishments or something you'd like to share in the newsletter? Any parties, birthdays, graduations, anniversaries or any other celebrations that may take place would be great shared with your other Windermere Lakes neighbors!

Please Send Your Info To Us For The Next Newsletter To: [newsletter@windermere lakes.net](mailto:newsletter@windermere lakes.net)

## NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

**More Babysitters Needed....** We have received several requests from WL Residents for contact information for babysitters and other services! If you do babysitting, pet sitting, lawn mowing, etc. PLEASE send us your information so we can put you together with WL neighbors needing your services.

**Committee Members Wanted....** If you would be interested in working on the Newsletter Committee and providing reports, articles and news for your block or lake, please contact Gerri Eubank at [newsletter@windermere lakes.net](mailto:newsletter@windermere lakes.net)

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# Windermere Lakes Market Report

Courtesy of "DAVID FLORY"

This market information report is provided to keep you informed of resale market activity in your subdivision.

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\$300,000 - 349,999	1	0	1	0	0	0
\$250,000 - 299,999	1	0	3	0	0	1
\$200,000 - 249,999	2	1	0	1	0	0
\$200,000 -	0	0	1	0	0	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Highest \$/Sq Ft</b>	<b>99.70</b>	<b>84.21</b>	<b>93.16</b>	<b>91.67</b>	<b>85.22</b>	<b>84.18</b>

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