

TIMBER LAKE

News



Spring 2006

Official Newsletter of the TIMBER LAKE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC of TALLAHASSEE

Board Meeting
Th, Apr 13, 2006
The Pavilion
7:00PM

Teen Challenge To Occupy Wharf Building

The building on Apalachee Parkway that was once The Wharf Restaurant will soon become the Tallahassee location of Teen Challenge. This is one of the oldest, largest and most successful programs of its kind in the world. Established in 1958 by David Wilkerson, Teen Challenge has grown to more than 170 centers in the United States. You can read the story of the organization in "The Cross and the Switchblade" or visit them on-line at www.teenchallenge.cc

The Tallahassee center will offer a one-year residential program for 24 adult men. It is designed to help them learn how to live drug-free lives. They are challenged to transform their lives and find true meaning and purpose through the Christian faith. Their daily schedule will include chapel, Bible classes and work assignments around Tallahassee. The residents will be supervised at all times. Discipline problems will not be tolerated.

Their Executive Director, Kenny Walker was a pastor in a local church for nearly seven years and a children and student pastor in Panama City for nine years. He is committed to beautifying the grounds and bringing new life to the building that has been sitting unused since the funeral home moved out. He believes Teen Challenge will be a good neighbor to Timber Lake.

Kenny has been invited to speak at our next Timber Lake neighborhood meeting on April 13, 2006. It will be held at the Pavilion beginning at 7:00PM. After his presentation, he will entertain any questions you might have concerning the center and his plans for Teen Challenge in Tallahassee.



Remember the dog issue?
Pick it up and dispose of it properly, please

NUMBERS TO CALL

Animal Control
487-3172
Building Permits
488-9300
Digging Permits
800/432-4770
Mosquito Control
487-3174
Permit Violations
488-9300
Sheriff's Dept
922-3300
Street Lights
891-5080

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

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Timber Lake Homeowner's Association Elections are in May

TLHA Officers to serve the 2006-2007 year will be elected at the May meeting. The election will be a part of the 2006 Annual Meeting of the Timber Lake Homeowner's Association and will be held on **Saturday, May 13, 2006 at the Pavilion** in the commons area. Anyone interested in serving as President, Vice-President, Secretary or Treasurer should contact any board member in person or by email at www.hoatimberlake.com.

The Annual Meeting will be followed by the annual picnic in the park. The meat and drinks will be provided by the board. Residents and guests should feel free to bring their favorite side dish or dessert to share with others. We usually have a lot of fun and fellowship. We hope you will plan to attend.

CONTACT THE BOARD

Contacting the Board of Directors couldn't be easier! Timber Lake Homeowners Association has its own web site and it is located at hoatimberlake.com. You can send us your concerns and comments by simply clicking on one of the hyperlinks. We have links to documents, newsletters, announcements, minutes of meetings, announcements of events, maps of the subdivision and anything else we can think of.



Our web site is being hosted, as a community service, by Network Tallahassee (Nettally.com). Not only are they not charging us but if you want High Speed DSL service, tell them you saw this in the newsletter and you can get service for \$19.99 for six months with no contract. [850/671-4007]

ACC GUIDELINES MUST BE FOLLOWED

Any erection, demolition or alteration of a building, deck, fence, wall or yard, including changes in color, appearance or landscaping, requires an application for approval by the ACC. Applications must be submitted in writing, ACC approval must be given and applicable county permits must be obtained before the job begins. Contact your ACC Committee at hoatimberlake.com if you have any questions or concerns.

Welcome Neighbors

This is really a seller's market for real estate and many of our homes have been sold. This means we have a lot of new neighbors. Take the time to go meet them. Encourage them to come to the Annual Meeting and get involved in Timber Lake Homeowners Association. We need volunteers.

ONLY ONE SIGN IN YARD

No sign or billboard of any kind shall be displayed to the public view on any house or any portion of the common area except one (1) sign not to exceed five (5) square feet in size advertising the house for sale or rent or except signs used by Developer, its business successors or assigns, to advertise the property or houses during the construction and sale.

This is paragraph 28 of the Timber Lake Declaration of Restrictive Covenants to which we are bound when we purchase property in Timber Lake. These are the rules you have asked the board to uphold. They were written on October 28, 1986.

This means that you cannot put signs up along the road to advertise your Open House, your Garage Sale, or your lost puppy. It also means the signs the board has been using to advertise its meetings are not permitted. Somewhere along the way, the neighborhood erected a bulletin board but that may also be seen as violating the Covenants.

This issue was brought to the board's attention recently and, obviously, needs a resolution. At the April meeting, we will be discussing this issue and hope to develop a solution. Do you want signs all over the neighborhood? Do you want to allow signs for a limited time only? Do you want the Covenants changed? Are you willing to work to help us get this resolved? We need your guidance and assistance. Come to the meeting so we can discuss this.



LETS MONITOR TIMBER LAKE

Florida LAKEWATCH has offered to train volunteers to monitor the quality of the water maintained in Timber Lake. This program, coordinated through the University of Florida, offers "hands-on" citizen participation in the management of the lake through monthly monitoring activities. The training and materials are supplied by the program. Our obligation is to monitor the lake monthly for two years and send them the results.

If you are interested, send a message to the president on the web site so we can set up a time for the team to come in from Gainesville and show us what to do. This could be a great opportunity to help make Timber Lake an even better neighborhood.