

AMBERLEA NEWSLETTER

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Amberlea Homeowners' Association - Officers & Directors

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Autumn is finally here with a new school year underway and Halloween “trick-or-treaters” will be wandering the streets in a few short weeks. Please be extra cautious of our children while driving in Amberlea.



Dues Overdue

Treasurer Carl Bowles has yet to receive the \$20 annual dues from 53 out of our 232 homeowners (*that's 23% or a revenue loss of \$1060*). Your \$20 dues are the only source of revenue supporting your homeowners' association. There are 23 (10%) chronic non-payers who apparently believe they enjoy a special privilege from the rest of us by ignoring their obligation. If you are one of the 10% habitual non-payers, please express your reason(s) for not paying to the Board so that we may attempt to rectify any underlying issues at the root of your non-payment status.

The annual dues are a legal obligation that all Amberlea homeowners incurred when we purchased our homes in Amberlea, regardless of whether we were aware of the obligation or not. On behalf of the 77% of homeowners that are current with their \$20 annual dues obligation, *the Board will be considering all legal means at our disposal to expedite and ultimately ensure collections from all homeowners.* If you would like to become current with your obligation, your remittance will be greatly appreciated and we will work with you if you need to make payments to get caught up. Thank you.

New Dunedin Parking Ordinances

As reported in the 1st Quarter, March 2011 newsletter, the Dunedin **Special Codes Inspector, James Leavengood**, announced at the Amberlea Homeowners' Association Annual Meeting that there are new parking ordinances for all motor vehicles including boats, trailers, and recreational vehicles.

According to Mr. Leavengood, these ordinances are currently in effect and have already resulted in over 400 cases in Dunedin (*15 from right here in Amberlea Subdivision*). Most have been resolved amicably with the cited parties moving the offending vehicles. Some have resulted in second citations and others are being assessed financial penalties.

These new parking ordinances are explained on the [Documents](#) page of our Amberlea website. Your Board of Directors is no longer monitoring the neighborhood for vehicles in violation of our deed restrictions since the city's code enforcement officers and their ability to impose fines for non-compliance is proving to be far more effective.

If you have any complaints about Amberlea residents violating Dunedin parking restrictions, please report offenses to **James Leavengood** at **298-3190**.

Some areas of Amberlea are experiencing vehicles parking too close to corners and blocking views of oncoming traffic; and, vehicles parking broadside to one another on both sides of the street resulting in allowing only one very narrow passing lane. This last issue was of particular concern when we had our Amberlea Garage sales.

“No Parking” signs may become the solution at critical areas of our streets if the problems continue or worsen. Your Board will be assessing the situation for a few months and if we feel safety measures should be taken, we will

address the Traffic Engineering Department of Dunedin for their expertise and input.

Please contact your board with any pertinent information you have experienced and wish to voice regarding this matter [via our website](#).

Holiday Lighting Volunteers Needed

As yet, no one has volunteered to serve on our Holiday Lighting Committee. We again ask for any interested parties to consider sharing their talents, artistic abilities and holiday spirit by decorating the front entrance after Thanksgiving. Time is running short to implement this project for 2011 so your immediate response is vital.

If you would be interested in serving Amberlea on this committee, please respond [via our website](#) or contact me directly at (727) 734-0024.

Front Entrance Updates

Trash Removal

To date, the removal of trash from the entrance has always been the result of motivated Amberlea volunteers working to keep the appearance of **your entryway** attractive. This is now becoming a weekly and time consuming chore. The Board is considering alternatives that will increase costs in order to maintain the appearance of **your entryway**.

We hope the culprits are not Amberlea residents. If you witness anyone throwing trash at the entryway, please try to get a license plate number and/or a vehicle description and [communicate this information to your AHA Board](#). We will work with local law enforcement to pursue appropriate measures to curb this inconsiderate and illegal behavior.

Nighttime Lighting Enhancement

Art Bennis, Amberlea resident and electrician, has recently completed the installation of our nighttime lighting enhancement behind the front signage structure.

Unfortunately for us, **Art** has accepted a new assignment with the U. S. Defense Department. He is under contract as an electrical technician and will be on assignment in the Marshall Islands at one of our United States defense installations for at least one year.

Art has been a tireless volunteer during every single stage of our new entrance feature installation. His efforts and engaging personality will be sorely missed. We wish him well in his new endeavor and look forward to his safe return in the future.



Much thanks to Art for a job well done!

Welcome Wagon Committee



Welcome Wagon Committee Directors Shaine Harvester and **Joyce Kucek** will be greeting and welcoming our new neighbors moving into our Amberlea community. Please assist **Shaine** and **Joyce** by [communicating any pertinent information by use of the website](#) of new neighbors near you.

Meeting Dates

Remaining **2011 Board Meetings** for general business are scheduled on Thursdays as follow:

- October 20, 2011
- January 19, 2012

General business Board meetings are all held at the Rejko residence starting at 7:00 PM.

2011/12 Annual Meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, January 30, 2012 at 7:00 PM at the Dunedin Community Center.

Thank you for your confidence,
Ken Rejko, President ... (727) 734-0024
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