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The Acorn

Welcome to a New Year!

Dear Laurel Oak Ranch Homeowners:

Happy New Year! I hope that this newsletter finds all of you healthy and having had a Happy Holiday! As your HOA Board of Directors we had an interesting year in 2008 and we are looking forward to productive 2009. We continue to make protecting the assets of our community (including your property values) our primary concern.

There were a number of smaller projects that were started and completed in 2008, the majority of which were minor repairs and improvements to existing assets. There are a number of larger projects that are on the agenda for 2009, but we are taking our time considering each one carefully to insure that we are proceeding with the wisest course of action. Some of the projects being considered are repairing the walls, giving a much needed facelift to all signage throughout the community and redoing the landscaping at

the Westover entrance.

As I see it, 2008 was a hard year for some of us and it is possible that 2009 may not be much better. As your Board, we recognized that fact and have taken major steps in cutting the budget for 2009. We strongly feel that even in these troubled times we can continue to operate the HOA with the same high standards without raising dues.

We ask all of you to adhere to the HOA Bylaws and Covenants of your community since it becomes more and more important to maintain a high standard of appearance throughout the neighborhood to protect all of our property values.

Thank you all for your continued support!

Francis Traver
LOR Board of Directors
President

We wish Happiness and Prosperity for the New Year to the residents of Laurel Oak Ranch.

Laurel Oak Ranch HOA Board

Neighborhood Watch Meetings!

Held at the Clubhouse on the first Tuesday of every month at 6.30pm.

Join us to keep crime **low** and community involvement **high!**



The Laurel Oak Ranch Website has been updated to include current information on events, forms, contact info, and more! Two logins per household now available! You can share ideas, ask questions and stay Informed.



Clubhouse News

The Clubhouse is available to rent and the good days are going quickly. Call now and reserve a date for your special event. You must be in good standing with your Association Dues to rent the clubhouse.

Home Maintenance

All of our homes were built by the same builder with similar construction methods and materials. Therefore, we end up with common problems and maintenance issues. This issue's topic deals with paint problems on exterior doors. If your door has a vinyl trim that was white and is now yellow, you can repair by doing the following.

Before repainting, clean the vinyl trim with a liquid deglosser (can be purchased in a quart size from a home improvement store) by following the directions. Then add your new paint application to the vinyl, this will keep the paint from peeling off the vinyl.

IMPORTANT MAINTENANCE POINTS

Clean out gutters and make sure all foundation drains are working properly.

Apply bug barrier by using granular band of insecticide around foundation (read labels for cautions).

Pressure wash vinyl siding and decks, seal deck rails and pickets with a water sealer to protect.

Apply spring fertilizer in early March with a crab grass preventive.

If anyone has suggestions for this article or would like any more information or help with the above, please forward email to carsonmarsh@northstate.net or call 883-1316.

Association News

Note from your Community Association Manager

No one has failed to notice the difficult economic times upon us, we hope that 2009 will bring about a positive change in the economy and will in turn relieve some of the pressures in our own lives. The Board of Directors has spent many hours trimming the budget to ensure each and every dollar of your dues is used efficiently. Please note, 1st quarter dues were due by January 31st. Please ensure you pay promptly to avoid attorney action!

With the recent and continuing decline in the housing market, it is even more important that the exterior of your home is cared for at all times. This proactive approach will protect the property values within Laurel Oak Ranch and ensure that it remains a desirable place to live for current homeowner and prospective buyers.

I have listed below some of the things I look for during my drive through the community. Please ensure you evaluate your home to see if you need to address any of the following:

Trash cans – should not be visible on the street after trash day.

Parking – please use your driveway or garage, please refrain from parking on the street.

Yards – please ensure your grass is cut, edges are trimmed and weeds are removed from beds.

Shutters – treat faded shutters with products such as Armoral or re-paint.

Mailboxes – please promptly repair, paint and replace faded numbers.

Debris/Equipment – all garden/recreational equipment should be stored so as not to be visible from the street.

Basketball goals – please do not place these on the curb or within 10ft of the curb. For our children's safety, City ordinances do not allow play to occur in the street.

Thank you for maintaining your property and the Laurel Oak Ranch community.

Kind regards, Kay Hardy – Community Association Manager

Recreation News

The Recreation Committee has included in this newsletter the applications for the pool and tennis court. Please pay attention to the changes we have made. We look forward to seeing you at the pool this season.

There are some open seats on the Recreation Committee. If you would like to be a part of the committee, please join us in February. To become a member, you must attend 3 meetings before you can be voted onto the board. Once a member, you must perform at least 30 hours of volunteer time at Recreation events in order to maintain good member standing.

The Recreation Committee meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7pm.

Laurel Oak Ladies

Laurel Oak Ladies meet the last Monday of the month at the Clubhouse. Come join us as we make plans for the new year. This gathering of ladies is an excellent way to make new friends or spend time with old ones.

We look forward to seeing you at our next meeting.

Calendar

February 2009

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February

February 3rd

February 10th

February 13th

February 14th

February 16th

February 23rd

March

March 3rd

March 10th

March 13th

March 16th

March 17th

March 30th

April

April 7th

April 10th

April 12th

April 14th

April 20th

April 27th

Cross Creek HOA Meeting TBD
Crosswinds HOA Meeting TBD

Neighborhood Watch Meeting



Recreation Committee Meeting

Bunko Night



Valentine's Day

HOA Board Meeting

Laurel Oak Ladies

Cross Creek HOA Meeting TBD
Crosswinds HOA Meeting TBD

Neighborhood Watch Meeting



Recreation Committee Meeting

Bunko Night



HOA Board Meeting

St. Patrick's Day

Laurel Oak Ladies

Cross Creek HOA Meeting TBD
Crosswinds HOA Meeting TBD

Neighborhood Watch Meeting



Bunko Night



Easter Sunday

Recreation Committee Meeting

HOA Board Meeting

Laurel Oak Ladies

BUNKO!

Every 2nd Friday of the month is
Community *Bunko Night* at the Clubhouse!
Bring your own beverages, Light snacks and fun provided!
Never played? No problem!
For more information, contact Kim Miller on 905-0404



6200 Old Plank Rd
High Point, NC 27265
Clubhouse: 336-882-4215
Pool: 336-869-7317

Visit our Website www.laureloakranch.com

Faith, Luck and a little chocolate

will see you through the year!





February 2, 2009

2009
LOR
Recreation
Committee

Mason Mayo
President

Nick Davis
Vice-President

Jeff Smith
Treasurer

Delia Laney
Secretary

Kim Miller

Francis Traver

Donna Miller

Dear LOR Pool/Tennis Club Members,

This letter is to inform you of an increase in pool and tennis membership fees in the upcoming year. The recreation committee understands that times are tough due to the economy, but we see no other way around the increase. Unfortunately our expenses exceeded our budget for last year's season as shown in the figures below. Also keep in mind that you homeowners dues must be in good standings or your pool/tennis membership will be suspended.

On a good note your 2009 membership will include **BOTH** pool and tennis access. (Tennis only memberships are still available)

2008 SEASON EXPENSES:

Power	\$4307
Gas	\$5188
Phone	\$519
Water	\$1897
Supplies	\$6300
Insurance	\$1137
Payroll	\$18433
Office Supplies	\$678
<u>Activities</u>	<u>\$2618</u>
 TOTAL:	 \$41077

2008 SEASON REVENUE:

Memberships	\$33734 (pool)
	<u>\$560 (tennis)</u>
TOTAL:	\$34294

2008 SEASON LOSS: \$6783

Please remember to take advantage of the early bird special this year to save on upcoming pool dues. Two payment plans are also available. I encourage you to compare our membership dues with surrounding communities – by far our rates are still quite a bargain. However, if we as a community want the pool to stay open, we need a positive cash flow each year to continue to function. The recreation committee welcomes any constructive suggestions from the Laurel Oak community. Please feel free to contact us with any questions or comments.

Sincerely,
Mason Mayo
Recreation Committee President

LOR Recreation Association
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www.laureloakranch.com

Laurel Oak Ranch Pool and Tennis Membership Application

The pool will be open from May 2nd to Memorial Day on the weekends (Saturday and Sunday). After Memorial day it will be open during the week until Labor Day. After Labor Day, the pool will be open on weekends until the end of September.

Please Circle Appropriate Membership

First 20 memberships will receive a Free Pool Party (Lifeguard fees still apply)

Regular Rate

H1: \$250
H2: \$300
H3: \$375

Early Bird Rate(due by March 15th)

H1: \$225
H2: \$275
H3: \$325



KEY

H1: Household with one adult

H2: Household with one adult and one child (under the age of 18 or still in school) or two adults.

H3: Household with one adult and 2 or more children (under the age of 18 or still in school) or 2 adults and 1 or more children

Anyone older than 65 is eligible for a 10% discount. For the H2 and H3 memberships an additional fee (\$100) will be applied for any adults (over age of 18) that exceed the household limit. For example an H2 with 1 adult, 1 child, and adult roommate will be charged \$375 for the early bird rate or \$400 for the regular rate.

A babysitter may be added with the H2 & H3 memberships. The actual word "babysitter" must be used instead of a person's name. The definition of a babysitter is someone who assists in watching and taking care of children. The babysitter will be allowed to come to the pool with the children in place of the parent(s). The babysitter will also be allowed to come to the pool with the parents and children, but not by themselves.

\$5 will be charged to all guests (out of state guests are still free). 5 guest passes will be given out and can be used for residents inside and outside the neighborhood. The only way a resident of the neighborhood can swim is if they are a member, come with a member using a guest pass or swim on Community swim days.

A 50 punch pass is available for \$125. This pass can be used for your non-resident guests. One punch per guest per day.

A pool/tennis member must be in good standing with HOA Dues or possibly have restrictions placed on their use of the pool.

Due to the economic situation we are all facing, the Recreation Committee has decided to allow the Regular Rate to be divided into 2 payments. The first payment is due by March 15th with the second and last payment due May 15th. Members taking advantage of this payment schedule will not be allowed to use the pool until the membership has been paid in full. This option is not available for the Early Bird pricing. No refund will be given on partial payments.

Our Community Swim Dates are changing this year. The first 2 weekends of May (2nd & 3rd and 9th & 10th) will be the only free community swims days until September.

Please include your check when returning this form. Please return this form to the address below.

FAMILY NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Member 1: _____ AGE: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

Member 2: _____ AGE: _____

EMAIL: _____

Member 3: _____ AGE: _____

**Please email the Rec. Committe
for your Tennis Court pass code
recreation@laureloakranch.com**

Member 4: _____ AGE: _____

**Please return application to the
clubhouse or mail to:**

Member 5: _____ AGE: _____

LOR Recreation Association
6200 Old Plank Rd.

Member 6: _____ AGE: _____

High Point, NC 27265

I have read and understand the Pool/Tennis Application Information above and agree to abide by the Pool Rules.

Signature

Date

Laurel Oak Ranch Tennis Membership

The tennis membership is \$75 for a 12 month membership. The membership includes the entire family. The court is available all year long for play. There are sign up sheets at the court to reserve the court up to a week in advance.

Family Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

(So we can contact you regarding tennis code changes, and other updates.)

Please include a check payable to the LOR Recreation Association. This can be placed in the new mailbox in the Club House parking lot, or returned to the pool house if open.

Initial Court Code: _____

(For management use.)

Laurel Oak Ranch Recreation Association
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