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MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE CHAIR

by Otavia Rhone, Executive Committee Chair

Happy New Year! I am excited to begin for another year of growth in our community. Overall 2010 was a good year. Crime was down from 2009, and community participation grew. We still your help. We want to keep the community safe and beautiful.

Thank you committee chairs for your dedication and hard work in 2010 to help make Lakes of Savannah a better place.

Community Meeting – We will be having our next community meeting in early 2011. Please be on the lookout for signs announcing meeting information.

Lakes of Savannah Volunteer Fire Station – We are looking for volunteers. If you have even a small interest in how the station will operate or what the requirements are for being a volunteer, please contact our new Volunteer Fire Station Committee Chair, Bradley Chandler at Chandler-Bradley@aramark.com. Please be on the lookout for updates via the Lakes of Savannah website and future newsletters. We will be having our first informational presentations in January and February. Our interim fire chief, Glenn Turner, will be presenting.

Volunteers Needed – The Events Committee and Landscaping Committee are looking for volunteers. Please contact Otavia Rhone at twc2814316586@earthlink.net for more information.

Light up Lakes of Savannah – Please participate in light up Lakes of Savannah January 17–23. Get your energy efficient light bulbs and let's make Lakes of Savannah a safer place by turning on our porch lights.

In closing, if you have not already gotten yourself signed up to receive community e-mails, please do so on our website, www.lakesofsavannahsouthca.org. It is our community site, and we are still working on content. Please be patient with the site's growth and changes. If you know of an upcoming community event, car pool opportunities or anything you think the community would benefit from, please send your information to twc2814316586@earthlink.net.

Once again,
Happy New Year

DEVELOPER'S CORNER

*by Lisa Zapalac, Marketing Director,
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Happy New Year! Lakes of Savannah is growing with new sections, new models and new builders. Plantation Homes and Lennar Homes have opened new decorated models in Savannah Meadows, where prices start in the \$140,000s. Westin Homes, also new to the community, has a model under construction that is scheduled to open in early 2011. The new Westin model is located next to Lennar in Savannah Meadows.

Westin Homes is also featuring new designs in Lakes of Savannah's 80-foot program. Westin joins J. Patrick Homes and Gallery Custom Homes in the new section of 80-foot home sites.

Lakes of Savannah will also have another builder making its debut. Highland Homes, the award-winning builder known for its innovative home designs, will begin building in Lakes of Savannah's 55-foot program and will build a new model in the community.

Interest in Lakes of Savannah remains strong among local and relocation buyers, and we are all looking forward to a successful 2011.

For regular updates on the community, please visit www.LakesOfSavannah.com.

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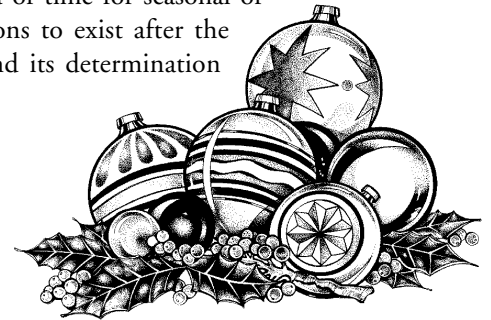
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THE HOLIDAYS ARE OVER

If you haven't yet taken down your holiday decorations. Now is the time. Please remember the following rule in Declaration Article IX Section 24 (9).

Seasonal or holiday declarations (e.g., Christmas trees and lights, pumpkins, Easter decorations) shall be removed from each lot or residential dwelling within a reasonable period of time after such holiday passes. The Architectural Review Committee has the sole discretion to determine what is a reasonable period of time for seasonal or holiday decorations to exist after the holiday passes and its determination shall be final.



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How To Slip-Up A Car Thief's Day

by Melissa Hernandez, Neighborhood Watch Committee Chair

Thieves are looking for opportunities to steal your car. Here are some tips to help your car become a less inviting target and slow down, discourage or actually prevent car theft.

- **Park in plain sight** – leave your car in a well-lit, populated area.
- **Take your keys—always** – Car theft is often a crime of opportunity, so shut yours off and pocket your keys even if you're only ducking into a convenience store.
- **Don't hide your keys anywhere within or outside the car** – You know those magnetic key holders you can buy to store your spare key? Leave it in your house on the fridge, not under bumpers, in the glove compartment or anywhere in the car.
- **Use a variety of methods to slow would-be thieves** – Car alarms are ubiquitous and often go ignored. Apply the emergency brake, turn your wheels hard left or right and set the car in "park" or in gear, making it more difficult for you to be quickly towed, and consider using a vehicle recovery system.
- **Disable your battery if parking long-term** – A thief won't spend time trying to diagnose an apparent engine problem. Consider yanking one of the cable wires to your battery if you're leaving your car parked at an airport or anywhere else where it will sit unattended for more than a few days.
- **Sign valuable parts** – Take the time to embed your Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) on the inside of your trunk, inside your doors, on your sound system components and any other pricey parts thieves like to chop.

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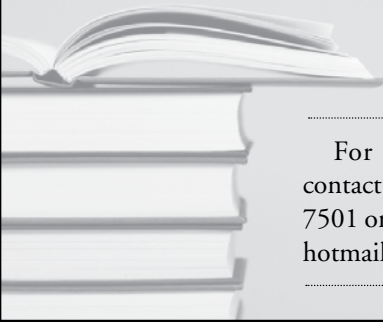
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Youth Book Club

Girls 8–11 years old are invited to join an awesome Book Club. The group will meet every second and fourth Sunday of the month from 3–4:30 p.m.

During the meeting, the group will vote on wholesome books to read, read pages from selected books and discuss book highlights. Occasionally meetings will include fun activities and games. Snacks will be provided.

No electronic devices please, we want to spend this time reading and sharing our thoughts about the books, so removing the distractions of electronic devices will help create a better book club atmosphere.



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ANNUAL HARVEST FESTIVAL

Annual Harvest Festival
 Saturday, October 23
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The Lakes of Savannah Mommy Group and Living Water Church sponsored the annual Harvest Festival on October 23. Residents enjoyed crafts, story time, face painting, treats and a raffle for prizes and pumpkins.



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Meet & Greet

The second Lakes of Savannah Meet and Greet event was sponsored by the Executive Committee on November 13. Due to the weather, the event was held inside the clubhouse. A number of residents and local small business owners participated to introduce their businesses to fellow residents.



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