

Devon Hills Homeowners Association

President's Memo

May, 2016

Hello Devon Hills Homeowners,

Following are the highlights of the Board's May meeting.

1. The Board presented Porter Ragsdale a plaque of appreciation for all of the work Porter did for the HOA over a 10 year period. While Porter was with us we asked him to brief the Board on the history of the HOA and the Board. He had lots of great information on things that have been tried in the past and which worked well and what didn't work so well. Thank you Porter for enlightening us on the history of our organization.
2. We continued our discussion of conducting a survey of homeowners. Some of the issues that have been identified for the survey are security, lighting and social activities. We are continuing to work on this and I hope that we will be in a position to get the survey out to you in the next couple of months.
3. The Board also discussed the issue of traffic in the development. We have had some situations where vehicles are driving through our streets at a speed well in excess of the 15 miles an hour posted. We understand that some of this problem is caused by visitors, but we do know that residents also are sometime guilty of this. The Board is requesting that homeowners do a better job of maintaining the speed limit. As we enter the summer season we will see more children out playing and they do not always look before they run. Our streets are fairly narrow and when vehicles are parked in the street it is difficult to someone stepping out in the street. Thanks for your attention to this issue.
4. In an effort to improve the appearance around the pond, and in an attempt to make the pond more "natural" looking, mimicking the hills that surround us, the Board decided to allow the grass around the pond to grow uncut in an area three feet up from the ponds edge. We will evaluate how this looks over the summer and make sure that it isn't causing other issues for homeowners around the pond.
5. We had an initial discussion on developing a Tree Management Plan for the trees that are in the common areas. We are looking for a professional that can help develop this plan so that we can make sure that our trees are healthy, in order for us to maintain the "forest" look of Devon Hills. In addition, the Board wants to make sure that trees in the common areas are not a threat to residents and their homes.

Remember that the Board is interested in your thoughts and ideas on what you feel Devon Hills should do and be. We encourage you to contact the Board with your thoughts, questions and suggestions. The best way to communicate with the Board is through use of the Board's email address. That address is

boardofdirectors@devonhillshoa.com. Any email sent to that address will go to all Board members and our management firm Synergy.

Please let me know if you have any comments and/or questions.

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President