

The Legacy



January – February 2009

**LAKE CHRISTOPHER
HOMES
ASSOCIATION**

Annual dues are
payable by

January 1, 2009

Late fees will apply as of
February 1, 2009

You will not be able to vote
at the Annual Meeting if
dues are not paid.

**LAKE
CHRISTOPHER
FORMS ON LINE**

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Architectural request,

Party permit,

Copy of the
Architectural Guidelines
or

Rules and Regulations
of the Parks,

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<http://lakechristopherhomes.com>

**Lake Christopher
Annual Meeting
Tuesday, February 3, 2009
Brandon Middle School
Cafeteria
Registration starts at 7 pm**

Final message from your Board President.

These past few years have definitely been a learning experience for me, and I now have a new respect for all those who have gone before me and those who will follow. I now think of LC and its Board as a corporation, which is exactly what it is. All 361 homes are a part of this corporation and 9 of your neighbors, peers, and friends serve as volunteers on the Board of Directors. But I would like to recognize other volunteers who have had a hand in many of the community's needs. Did you know that **Trish Sladky, Gloria Koenke, and Bozena O'Neal** did one heck of a job this summer scheduling parties, taking care of park attendants and just overall care of the parks. **Karen Birch** has also been a big help for us at the main park. Thanks to their effort, the parks became family orientated again.

Apparently Lake Christopher was also the party place to go for Hampton Roads teens and many midnight parties had been going on for years at all of our parks. Our security, along with the Virginia Beach Police, worked extra hours free this past summer to clean up our parks. Charges ranged from underage drinking and drugs to trespassing and a few other imaginable and unimaginable offenses. Charges were brought and fines assessed in court. We had glitches in the beginning but things got ironed out, and I saw families returning and safely using all the parks again.

The geese were also a big problem for the park workers because their feces were contaminating the beach. Thanks to the efforts and ingenuity of **Matt Koenke and Steve Sladky**, a safe and harmless barrier was put up each evening that actually worked at keeping the geese off the beach and from contaminating the area.

There are many unsung and unnamed volunteers who daily make this a great community to live. One man runs at noon every day and will stop and pick up trash as he runs. The **Garden Club** created a bucket brigade to keep the new plants alive at our entrances, all volunteers going up there almost daily to water in the summer heat. There's **Donna and Clark Christensen** and their helpers who at Christmas time put the swags together and hang them at our entrances. There's **Gary Butterbaugh and Mitch Stevens**, who keep our lake free of algae. **Steve Rogovich and his Architecture Committee members** who volunteer to oversee that our architectural guidelines are adhered to. It always amazed me that before you buy a home in here, the AC guidelines are a part of the sale. You have already agreed to them so you would think committee's job would be easy. Well, it isn't and you can thank Steve and his committee for all of their help.

Have you noticed along our fence line that finally the camellias are showing their blooms and the shrubs, although still boxy, are beginning to branch out thanks to the efforts of All Seasons Landscaping. Those poor plants had been all but hacked away and in just one year's time I am seeing some improvements. It will take time, but there is hope.

I know that there are many of you who help to make this a better place to live and I thank you. You have heard it said many times, "This is such a well-kept secret." and "I wish I'd known about this place before I bought my home...." Well, consider yourselves lucky because you did know about this place and you live in a fantastic community. See you all around the lake and thank you again for your support.

Sally Parsons, Board President



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## Lake Christopher Garden Club News January/February 2009

### Garden Club Events

#### **January 5, 2009**

Meeting at Fairfield Florist with Charlene Wesseler  
Fairfield Shopping Center  
Time: 7:00 p.m.

Flower arranging using long stem roses  
Cost: \$15.00 includes the roses and vase  
RSVP to either Geri Linneball at 476-0015 or [glinneball@cox.net](mailto:glinneball@cox.net) or to Sue Edwards at 495-3551 or [smewalks@aol.com](mailto:smewalks@aol.com) by Friday, January 2, 2009

Note if anyone has a particular color rose in mind, mention it when making your reservation and Charlene will do her best to get it.

#### **February 2, 2009**

Hostess to be announced  
Program: Organic Gardening  
Speaker: Marie Butler  
Time: 7:00 p.m.

#### **March 2, 2009**

Meeting at 1513 Beachview Dr.  
Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Program: Herbal Pantry  
Speaker: Billi Parus

Thank you to Donna Christensen for decorating the entrances with the evergreen swags.

The Garden Club welcomes any resident to join us on the first Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. for an evening of discussing gardening ideas and neighborly socializing. For more information, contact Sue Edwards, President, at 495-3551 or [smewalks@aol.com](mailto:smewalks@aol.com).

# **Temporary Express Service Center (TESC) of the Kempsville Area Library Opens 10:00 a.m., Thursday, December 18, 2008**

## **Location**

Inside the City Treasurer's Annex located at 5340 Fairfield shopping center, facing Lord Dunmore Drive (near Curves)

## **TESC Hours**

Monday - Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.  
Friday - Saturday: 10:00 a.m. - 5 p.m.

## **Library Services at the TESC**

Place and pick up holds on library materials  
Return library materials  
Renew library materials  
Register for a library card  
Renew your library card  
Pay fines  
Select a swap book to read

## **Phone Number of the TESC**

We plan to use the Kempsville Area Library's Circulation and Information phone numbers (385-2627 and 385-2628).

## **For More Information**

As we get updated information about the renovation and the TESC, it will be posted on the library website at [www.VBgov.com/libraries](http://www.VBgov.com/libraries).

You may also contact Susan Head, the Kempsville Library Manager, 385-2614, [shead@vbgov.com](mailto:shead@vbgov.com)

**Kempsville Area Library is scheduled to reopen in September 2009.**

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### **Holiday Decoration Contest**

#### **First Place:**

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#### **Honorable Mention:**

Rocky and Joy Grieco,  
1509 Colebrook Court

We would also like to recognize the  
Lindgren's and Butterbaugh's on  
Shorecrest Ct. for their wonderful displays

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## REAL ESTATE NEWS

by: Sharon White, ABR, GRI  
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### 2008 Sales Statistics

Currently there are 4 Active Professional Listings

There are no Pending Sales

Average Market Time for 2009 was 187 days

There were no Lakefront Sales in 2008

Off Lake Sales Included:

### RANCH HOMES

|                          |                    |
|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 1545 Edgewater Ct        | sold for \$274,000 |
| 5436 Brookfield Dr       | sold for \$292,000 |
| 1457 Lake Christopher Dr | sold for \$284,500 |
| 5433 Brookfield Dr       | sold for \$280,000 |

### TWO STORY HOMES

|                          |                    |
|--------------------------|--------------------|
| 1485 Lake Christopher Dr | sold for \$300,000 |
| 1725 Lake Christopher Dr | sold for \$328,000 |
| 1713 Lake Christopher Dr | sold for \$315,000 |
| 1545 Harbor View Cv      | sold for \$305,000 |

If you would like more information regarding our market in Lake Christopher or any other area, I am easy to reach:

email: [sharonsellshmz@cox.net](mailto:sharonsellshmz@cox.net)

phone: 757-286-9375

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## Attention Residents!

*The Legacy* is available only on the Lake Christopher Website <http://lakechristopherhomes.com>

If, however you would like to receive the Legacy by email, please fill out this form and drop it off to: Richard Schwarz, 1505 Lake Christopher Dr. 495-3650 or email your request to [dickjack@verizon](mailto:dickjack@verizon).

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## **ATTEND THE MONTHLY BOARD MEETING**

Board meetings are held on the fourth Monday of every month at 7:30 P.M. **HOMEOWNERS' FORUM** is held at the beginning of each meeting. Have a gripe? Make a suggestion? Give a "warm fuzzy"? Please call our Property Manager, Gayle Piñero, at 486-6000 for the meeting location. Manager's Address: Gayle Piñero, Select Group, Inc., 2224 Virginia Beach Blvd, Suite 201, Virginia Beach, VA 23454. Email: [gayle.pinero@theselectgroup.us](mailto:gayle.pinero@theselectgroup.us)



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