

AMBERLEA NEWSLETTER

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Amberlea Homeowners' Association - Officers & Directors

Officers

President: Ken Rejko
Vice President: Bob Koechlin
Treasurer: Carl Bowles
Secretary: Terry Rejko

Directors

Diane Chavez	Grace Cristo
B. J. Develle	Greta Develle
Dave Dunlap	Shaine Harvester
Joyce Kucek	Deborah Macey
Barbara Piltaver	Don Ropp

*Holiday greetings to all as we welcome in the new **2012** year!*



Director Changes

Your Amberlea Homeowners' Association Board would like to introduce **Deborah Macey** as our newest Director serving our Amberlea community. **Deborah** has resided in Amberlea for about one year and during that time was involved with our front entry project, the only volunteer for our holiday lighting project and she is now serving on our Welcome Wagon Committee with **Shaine Harvester** and **Joyce Kucek**. Welcome, **Deborah!**

Ed Albuoy has stepped down from our Board of Directors. His expertise and volunteering to paint our new entrance was greatly appreciated earlier this year. He will once again volunteer his painting skills in 2012 when we refurbish the side entry walls behind the commercial properties alongside our entrance island.

Thanks again, **Ed**, for a job well done!



Dues Overdue

Treasurer Carl Bowles is now collecting the 2012 annual dues of \$20.00 per household. They can be mailed to him or you may pay him during our Annual Meeting on January 30, 2012, Room 119, at the Dunedin Community Center located at the southwest corner of Michigan Boulevard and Pinehurst Road in Dunedin. The \$20 annual dues from our 232 residences in Amberlea are the only source of revenue supporting your homeowners' association.

If you are in arrears with your dues, please express your reason/s to **Treasurer Carl**, or the board, so we, as your association board, may address and attempt to rectify any underlying issues at the root of your nonpayment status. If you would like to become current with your obligation, your remittance will be gratefully appreciated by all of us.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Front Entrance Update

Have you noticed our new American Flag displayed at the front entrance of Amberlea? It will continue to be proudly flown on all major holidays throughout the year to reflect Amberlea's patriotism, sense of pride and respect for our heroes.

With only one response to our request for volunteers to serve on our Holiday Lighting Committee, we have tabled any planning and commitment for the project until next year. Please consider how the impact of a well-designed and illuminated entryway would benefit and showcase Amberlea as traffic approaches our entrance along Main Street.

Without the assistance of at least 5 volunteer committee members we will have no choice but to curtail any ideas for festive holiday lighting. Our placement of the two wreaths this year was well received by many residents and will be evident again next year. Though low-keyed compared to illuminating the entire median island, the wreaths reflect the spirit of the holiday season.

So, are there any interested parties willing to share their talents, artistic abilities and holiday spirit by decorating the front entrance after Thanksgiving next year? Time will run out sooner than we might realize to implement this project for 2012 so your timely response is vital. If you have an interest in serving Amberlea on this committee, please respond via our website **amberleadunedinfl.com** or contact me directly for further information at (727) 734-0024.

2011 Summary

I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank all of our hard working association board members for their dedicated efforts during this past year. Without them and their tireless attendance at board meetings and continuous volunteering on many issues, your Amberlea Homeowners' Association would not be as effective as it has become today.

We are enjoying the benefits of our expanding website that now reaches out to others in the Dunedin area that are interested in our Amberlea community. We are now linked to other websites as a matter of convenience to our residents. As a bonus, we are saving valuable association dollars by the more efficient use of our electronic communications. This would not have happened if your board did not take the extra step to provide the best service to our residents.

We are also continuing to constantly receive kudos from people outside of our subdivision in the city and neighboring subdivisions for our beautifully enhanced entrance feature. This occurs only because your directors and other neighbors were willing to give of their personal time to bring the new and improved entrance to fruition. The city has become more responsive to our needs and requests since we utilized their grant funding in a manner that was conducive to the spirit in which the funds were established. The city realizes and appreciates Amberlea desiring to make Dunedin a better place to live.

We even saw a growing number of attendees at last year's Annual Meeting. Our goal is to have a timely and meaningful agenda to enlighten our residents of opportunities of improvements with which we can all benefit. We will continue the trend of having viable guest speakers at that event again this year on January 30th. **Deputy Jan Wagner** of the Pinellas County Sheriff's Department will be on hand to inform us on issues of importance to all of us. Mark your

calendars now to attend the Annual Meeting. If you have never attended, you should. We will be discussing ideas and plans that affect every resident. Make your voice heard. We hope to see more participants this year.

Our greatest thrust has been to better inform all residents as to how they can participate in our projects and decision making while better understanding how the board operates as an elected entity. The website has created more and better dialogue with residents by achieving the necessary feedback. But, your input is still needed. It is vital to the board for representing the needs and desires of the majority. Your ideas will continue to be sought in all our efforts throughout the coming year.

Welcome Wagon Committee



Welcome Wagon Committee **Directors Shaine Harvester, Joyce Kucek** and new **Director Deborah Macey** have begun greeting and welcoming our new neighbors moving into our Amberlea community with potted plants for their new homes. Please assist Committee Chair **Shaine** by [communicating](#) any pertinent information to us by use of our website of any new neighbors moving into Amberlea near you.

Meeting Dates

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

- January 19, 2012

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

2011/12 Annual Meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 30, 2012 at 7:00 PM at the Dunedin Community Center, Room 119, located at the southwest corner of Michigan Boulevard and Pinehurst Road in Dunedin. The annual meeting is open to all Amberlea residents. Please make time to join us and share your thoughts, concerns or compliments.

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