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It was a close call this year, as the Annual Homeowner Meeting almost didn't reach quorum again... after a few last minute phone calls, a quorum was reached and the above officers elected to serve Gran Forest for 2005. Thanks to those who participated and contribute time for our neighborhood.

NEIGHBORHOOD ANNOUNCEMENTS...

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be on Saturday, March 26th at the playground at 10:30. Parents must deliver 12 filled eggs/child by Friday, March 25th. See flyer on back for details or call Cathy Graff, 770-205-7616.

Please welcome our New Neighbors:

1640 Loblolly Lane: Rose Marie Pieters and her 97 year young Aunt Ruth Rockwell

We are asking our existing neighbors to notify a committee member or the board when they are aware of a new neighbor... also, contact Binnie Jansa, 770-887-9300, if you would like to participate on the Welcoming Committee. The Welcoming Committee will ensure a Welcome Basket is delivered!

Recently a black case was found (camera/tote) that contained numerous items. It looked as though it had been tossed onto a yard. It was reported to the Sheriff's dept. & they have it in "property". Just thought it looked suspicious & someone might be looking for it.

Abby and Emily Johnson, and Jacob Walker, who reside on Cottonwood Trail, and Casey Tate, would like to thank everyone who generously contributed to the tsunami relief fund. They collected \$260.00 in our subdivision for the Red Cross, which was matched by ADP for a total contribution of \$520.00.

REZONING UPDATE:

There was a rezoning request regarding the property that faces (across Haw Creek) our second entrance. The developer was planning offices (6 buildings with approx 150 parking spaces) with retail on the Hwy 20 frontage. He also had planned a **permanent entrance**/exit onto Haw Creek Road. This could have severely impacted our quality of life, safety and value of our homes.

Your board of directors (and representatives from Ivy Walk) met with the developer and attorney late into one night and into the next day trying to work out an agreement that would not only keep his entrance off of Haw Creek, but hopefully set further precedence for future developments that would prevent exits/entrances dumping onto Haw Creek Road.

In the hours before the Planning and Zoning hearing, we were able to work out an agreement that we feel preserves our quality of life for the future.

The developer was granted his rezoning request with the following conditions.

- 1) He obtained a permanent easement to cross over adjoining property for access to the new connector road, Haw Creek East (scheduled to be completed in approx 12 months).
- 2) He will be allowed a **temporary** entrance/exit onto Haw Creek, but only until such time as Haw Creek East is completed, then he must immediately and completely close his back entrance and replant with quality shrubs/trees (Leyland Cypress).
- 3) There is no construction traffic allowed at any time at the temporary back entrance onto Haw Creek.
- 4) These agreements can not be broken until or unless another rezoning request is placed (with proper notifications) and another hearing before the planning and zoning committee.

'Community Cop' Corner

If anyone notices neighborhood streetlights not working, please report it Sawnee EMC. Call 770.887.2363 then 'Press 0' for a representative. Tell them name of subdivision and the house address closest to the streetlight (the pole may also have a number on it).

The next Board meeting date is TBD, see the Website for details.
ACCESS Management (Arnie Garrett at 770/777-6890 ext. 128)

To make an announcement in the newsletter, email dongraff@granforest.com