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LET THE HOMEOWNERS SPEAK!

The process to amend the deed restrictions for each section is underway. The proposal under consideration is to add an \$80 mandatory fee to the deed restrictions to be paid by every residential property in Camino South, Oakbrook, Oakbrook West, and Meadowgreen. The affirmative vote of half the homeowners is needed to pass the amendment in each section. Several town hall meetings have been held to help home owners understand why CLCCA needs to increase its revenue and to answer questions. Here are a few of the most commonly asked questions.

Q: Why do we need an increase?

A: While fees paid by CLCCA property owners have NOT increased since 1963, costs of maintaining facilities, postage, wages, fuel, etc. have increased exponentially. We simply cannot fulfill the mission of the CLCCA beyond the next few years with 1963 income.

Q: Why amend the deed restrictions and add a new fee instead of simply raising the current fee?

A: The original Community Services Charge (CSC) document affects all land owners and therefore demands a vote of all the land owners. Raising the current fee would require a majority vote of the square footage of all properties within the CLCCA, and areas such as University Green and the Commercial owners, who rarely use our services and facilities, almost make a majority by themselves. An amendment to the CSC would stand little chance of passage.

Q: What happens to the original Community Service Charge (mill assessment)?

A: That fee remains as is. The deed restriction amendment would add a fee to supplement the cost of maintenance and services for the residential areas within Oakbrook, Oakbrook West, Camino South, and Meadowgreen.

Q: What will I get for my \$80?

A: The additional funds will go toward increasing mowing frequency at our parks and entrances, maintaining the facilities to a higher standard, thus helping to make our homes more attractive to potential buyers and increasing our own standard of living. Also more funds will be placed toward a higher standard of deed restriction enforcement, which will protect homeowners and residents from the hazards and unpleasantness of ill-kept property. Pool and tennis court access fees will be eliminated with the amendment, which means your pool and tennis tags will be included in your annual fee.

Q: How do I vote?

A: A vote in favor requires you to sign the Deed Restriction Amendment form and send it to the CLCCA office at 16511 Diana Lane, Houston, TX 77062. An opposing vote requires you to do nothing.

Q: What will it take to pass the amendment?

A: Once half of the homeowners in a given section vote in favor, the amendment passes and will go into effect in that section. If that doesn't happen, your fee doesn't change, but significant cuts in CLCCA services will have to take place in the near future.

Others FAQs may be found at www.clcca.org/Frequently-Asked-Questions-310007-16427.htm.

RECREATION AT CLCCA

Shelly Haralson, *Recreation Director*

The New Year is upon us and CLCCA has many exciting events and activities to keep you and your family busy, healthy, and entertained for the coming months. Our youth programs and activities include Martial Arts Classes, Swimming Lessons, Tennis Lessons, Day Camps, and Parent's Night Out. Our next Day camp will be held during Spring Break, and there are many fun-filled activities to keep your child active and entertained during the school break. Register your child early to reserve their spot! Every 3rd Saturday of the month from 6 pm - 12 am, we hold our monthly Parent's Night Out. Parents enjoy a night out on the town while our youth programs staff entertain your children with swimming, games, dinner and a movie, and much more! Pre-registration is required to attend.

Adults may enjoy one of our several popular fitness classes we offer, such as Zumba, Water Aerobics, and Yoga. These classes are a fun way to in shape and stay healthy! We also offer martial Arts classes for adults, such as Cha Yon Rhu and Modern Arnis. Our Latin and Smooth Dance Classes are an exciting way to learn those fun dance moves you've always wanted to know!

Family swim memberships are a perfect way to have a good time at the pool in the summer, or any other time of the year! Or indoor-heated pool is open year round and included in any swim membership purchased. We also offer fitness room, gymnasium, and tennis memberships to all ages.

Look for our special events throughout the year, such as our Spring Fling in April, our Memorial Weekend Bash in May, our Father/Daughter Dance in June, and our Dive In Movie series in the summer, and enjoy a special day with your family.

At CLCCA, we love our community members and try to offer many activities and events to bring families and community together. As always, all of our programs and events are open to the public, but CLCCA residents receive a 30% discount on all programs and classes. You may register online (clcca.org), or stop by our office Monday-Friday 8 am - 5 pm to register.

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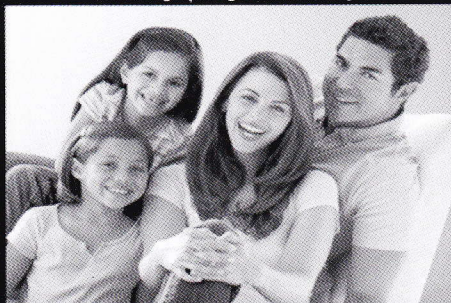
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FLAG ETIQUETTE

The CLCCA welcomes the patriotic display of the U.S. flag. Remember to fly it respectfully. The display of the American Flag is governed by U.S. Code, Title 4, Chapter 1. A number of rules apply when it comes to honoring and respecting our flag. Here are a few excerpts.

Sec. 6. Time and occasions for display

- (a) It is the universal custom to display the flag only from sunrise to sunset on buildings and on stationary flagstaffs in the open. However, when a patriotic effect is desired, the flag may be displayed 24 hours a day if properly illuminated during the hours of darkness.
- (b) The flag should be hoisted briskly and lowered ceremoniously.
- (c) The flag should not be displayed on days when the weather is inclement, except when an all weather flag is displayed.

Section 6 continues with information on when and where to display the flag. Another section of interest is section 8.

Sec. 8. Respect for flag

No disrespect should be shown to the flag of the United States of America; the flag should not be dipped to any person or thing. Regimental colors, state flags, and organization or institutional flags are to be dipped as a mark of honor.

- (a) The flag should never be displayed with the union down, except as a signal of dire distress in instances of extreme danger to life or property.
- (b) The flag should never touch anything beneath it, such as the ground, the floor, water, or merchandise.
- (c) The flag should never be carried flat or horizontally, but always aloft and free.
- (d) The flag should never be used as wearing apparel, bedding, or drapery. It should never be festooned, drawn back, nor up, in folds, but always allowed to fall free. Bunting of blue, white, and red, always arranged with the blue above, the white in the middle, and the red below, should be used for covering a speaker's desk, draping the front of the platform, and for decoration in general.
- (e) The flag should never be fastened, displayed, used, or stored in such a manner as to permit it to be easily torn, soiled, or damaged in any way.

Visit <http://uscode.house.gov/download/pls/04C1.txt>.

PERSONAL TRAINING

Need that extra push to get in shape? A certified personal trainer can help give you the motivation you need to achieve your fitness goals.

The Clear Lake Rec Center has a personal trainer on staff that will work with you to design a program that fits your fitness needs and goals. One on one sessions are available to give you the specialized attention you need. You can purchase individual hour-long sessions, or multiple sessions at one time for a discounted rate.

1 Session:	\$45
3 Sessions:	\$100
6 Sessions:	\$175
9 Sessions:	\$250
12 Sessions:	\$350

Contact Damian Adams for more information: 281-488-0239.

CLCCA Residents receive a 30% discount. Sign up for training with a friend and receive a discount to train together.

ADVERTISING

Advertising is now available in the Communicator. The following is a table of our rates.

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ELECTION TIME FOR THE CLCCA BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The CLCCA will elect new members for the Board of Trustees at our annual election on Saturday, May 7, 2011, 7 am - 7 pm. Camino South, Meadowgreen, Oakbrook, and the Commercial seats are up for election for 3 year terms. Qualifications are listed in the Bylaws which are posted at clcca.org.

Filing period for candidacy:

April 1 - 18 during business hours at the CLCCA office

Filing deadline: April 18 at 5:00 pm

Early voting: April 25 - May 6, 2011
Hours for early voting will be posted at the CLCCA office and on our website.



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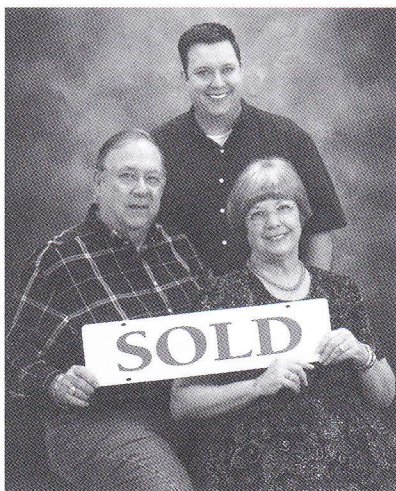
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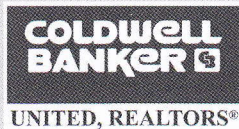


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