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Killearn Estates Community Magazine



Meet Michael Harrell

"Beach Day", watercolor, 2016, 12" x 16" See page 16

Board of Directors— Monthly Meeting

The Killlearn Homes Association Board of Directors' monthly meetings are scheduled for **the first Tuesday of the month at 7 pm in the Conference room of the Association office located at 2705 Killarney Way, unless noted below****. All Killlearn property owners and residents are requested and welcomed to attend our monthly meeting and participate in our neighborhood's activities. The agenda for the upcoming meeting will be posted on our website and our facebook page.



Any change to the scheduled date and/or time will be posted on our web site at www.killlearn.org.

The planned scheduled dates of the Board of Directors' future meetings

- April 5, 2016
- May 3, 2016
- June 7, 2016
- July 12, 2016 (2nd Tuesday due to 4th of July)
- August 2, 2016
- September 6, 2016
- October 4, 2016
- November 1, 2016 (Annual Meeting)
- December 6, 2016
- January 3, 2017



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requires pet owners to pick up their dog's waste. Please carry a plastic bag when walking your dog(s).

FOOD TRUCK WEDNESDAY AT FOUR OAKS COMMUNITY CHURCH



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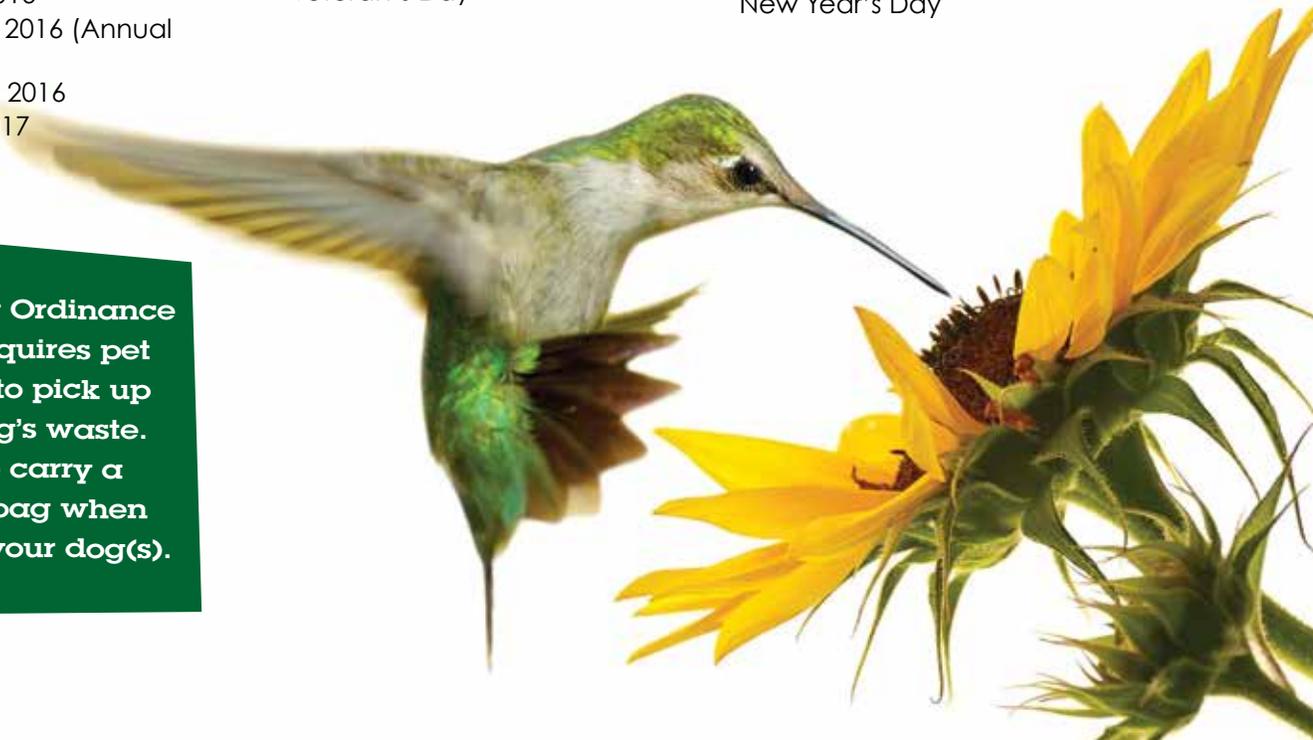
Visit their facebook page, Food Truck Wednesday, for that week's vendors.

KHA Office Hours and Scheduled Holidays

Your Association's staff is available Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm. The office will be closed for the following holidays:

- May 30, 2016** Memorial Day
- July 4 & 5, 2016** Fourth of July
- September 5, 2016** Labor Day
- November 11, 2016** Veteran's Day

- November 24 & 25, 2016** Thanksgiving
- Dec 23 & 26, 2016** Christmas
- January 2, 2017** New Year's Day





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Serving Well ...

Message



Executive director

I've been thinking a lot about customer service recently. Do we recognize good service when we get it or does it get so lost in mediocrity that only above-average, mind-blowing service gets noticed?

We certainly recognize bad service when it rears its ugly head. A friend of mine recently took his vehicle to have the wheels rotated and balanced. As he was driving off, about to leave the property, he noticed one of the wheels was severely wobbly. He drove right back into the repair bay to discover that the mechanic had failed to tighten the lug nuts in any way or fashion. They were so loose the tire had almost fallen off the vehicle. The mechanic fixed the problem, but without any acknowledgement of the error whatsoever. A bit dumbfounded, my friend responded, "That's it? No pampering? No soda while I wait? Not even an apology for putting me in a potentially life threatening situation because of your negligence?" To which the mechanic replied quite seriously, "We don't do that here."

My goodness. For a homeowners association such as KHA, there are a myriad of opportunities for board members, officers, and staff to provide exceptional customer service to the membership. Are we meeting your expectations? No matter what the circumstance, or whether you received the outcome you were looking for, did we address your circumstance politely and respectfully? Those are loaded questions and are, quite honestly, a bit scary to ask.

I am again asking for your feedback. If you've had a great experience with KHA, on any level, email me with your story at leann@killlearn.org. Your response might be included in a future issue of the Kloverleaf. If you've had a less than exemplary experience and there is something you feel is still unresolved, let me know that, too. It may sound hokey, but we're all in this together.

LeAnn Sbordone



Take great pictures?

Get those cameras or phones out and start snapping! We would love to see your best nature or animal picture. Just email your 300dpi photos to sue@killlearn.org.

Who knows? You may even make it on our cover!



Can't you feel it? Spring has arrived. The dogwoods, crepe myrtles and azaleas will be in full bloom soon and with that will come mowing of lawns and pruning the shrubs; but, isn't it the time of year we all love so much? Leon County dresses up in her best flora and fauna attire and we realize just how fortunate we are to have the quality of life we so enjoy. There's no place like home!!

The following are some updates for you. Please let me know if there are other issues of interest or if you have questions regarding any of these.

Legislative Update—Lobbying the Legislature is something expected every year. Sometimes we prevail and sometimes we don't, but this year we won. The Florida House of Representatives followed the Senate's lead and passed, SB 1322, a bill that settles a decade long dispute between Florida's counties and the Department of Juvenile Justice. Under SB 1322, counties will save more than \$11 million annually on its shared juvenile detention costs. For Leon County that's more than a hundred thousand dollars a year we don't have to include in our budget. No more reconciliations. No more guess work. No more cutting programs to pay for that surprise juvenile detention bill. We are thrilled with the prospect of the future and no longer having to address bad billing and flawed rule making.

Federal Update—On Feb. 24, I had the honor of testifying before the U.S. Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs' Subcommittee on Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management. As a former FAC President and current National Association of Counties (NACo) First Vice President, I was charged with making the case for improving the federal government's process for evaluating and reducing the harmful impacts of federal mandates on counties and residents. "Without improving intergovernmental collaboration in the development and implementation of federal agency regulations, these mandates will continue to add another layer of fiscal strain on counties already operating under considerable pressure." We will continue to work on the federal and state level to minimize unfunded mandates to local government and look forward to wins in this area too.

While in D.C. I had the pleasure of representing the Florida Association of Counties in laying a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. If you have not visited this national treasure, I hope that one day you will. I can't say enough about the feelings that wash over you as you pay tribute to our fallen soldiers. Please keep those who protect and serve in your prayers.



Canopy Roads Advisory Committee—I know many of you are aware this issue that came before the Commission March 8 and to all of you who contacted me sharing your recommendations and concerns and to those who worked on the "Statement to the Community" regarding preservation of our canopy roads—I thank you! I welcome all the feedback I can get to help in the decision making process. There's obviously some tweaking that needs to be done, but I have every faith the committee, with the support of the department and legal staff will be able to handle it. Having clearer direction regarding their responsibilities, regular training of the committee members, and Permitting staff support should help expedite the review process for the committee. Of course, having an urban forester at their disposal won't hurt either.

The Committee's final recommendations will be brought back to the Commission for citizen comment and final approval and I hope you will look it over and provide comment. I believe, they will do an outstanding job. As many of you know, there

was a lot of misinformation going round about the Commission's intent to abolish the Committee and it made for a difficult few months for all. It's imperative that the Committee members understand we trust in their abilities to handle this responsibility - after all that is a bylaw requirement - to bring back reports to the Commission.

Orchard Pond Toll Road—Plans for the ribbon cutting and festivities are tentatively scheduled for April 18. The first 10 days after April 18 will be free. If you don't have Sun Pass, you may want to contact the State to secure one. The existing Orchard Pond Rd will be converted into a bike pedestrian trail. More information to follow.



Bradfordville Community Center (Bannerman Rd)—We still have continued interest in our classes at the NE Branch Library. We've added a fourth fitness class and will feature three art classes

in April. Our Bradfordville Lunch and Learn, held at the Wildwood Presbyterian Fellowship Hall (100 Ox Bottom Rd) on April 13, 10:30 am – 12:30 pm, will feature guest speaker Piper Miller from the Leon County Office of Resource Stewardship, along with a variety of exhibitors and a delicious catered lunch. For information, or to register for any of our Bradfordville Senior Outreach classes, please call 891-4065 or e-mail susan.davis@tal.gov.com.

I consider it an honor and a privilege to serve as your District IV Commissioner and I commit to you that I will continue to do the best job I can in representing you and our community. As always, I welcome your input and appreciate all of you who act as my eyes in the District. Many of the improvements we've already made, or are currently working on, came from citizen suggestions or observations. Please don't hesitate to call me if you have any questions or concerns, deslogeb@leoncountyfl.gov or 606-5364.

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killearn kiwanis charles nuzum golf classic

By Tim Tankersley

Monday, April 25, 2016, at 9:00 A.M. a "Shotgun Start" will begin the 30th Annual Killearn Kiwanis Charles Nuzum Golf Classic, sponsored by the Tallahassee Killearn

or to donate prizes for those that will be playing golf.

All tournament proceeds support charitable work in our community. The principle core of the Kiwanis mission is the belief that the most effective way to enhance a community is to enhance its children. When you give a child a chance to learn, experience, dream and succeed, great things will happen.

working diligently to renovate the meeting facility for the Miccosukee Boys and Girls Club by replacing flooring and painting classrooms. Also, school supplies and sports equipment were donated to the Miccosukee Club. Other activities provided in Miccosukee include a Little League team. The Killearn Kiwanis Club members have provided these services and many others since the club was organized in 1982.



Community projects provided by members of the Killearn Kiwanis include distributing dictionaries to third graders in public and private schools; sponsoring AKtion Club – a service club for developmentally disabled adults; Chiles High School Key Club – a student led organization that teaches leadership through service to others; and, DeSoto Trail and Gilchrist Elementary Schools K-Kids Clubs – an organization to teach leadership skills to elementary school students. Other projects include Kiwanis members

Your participation in the golf tournament will enable members of the Killearn Kiwanis to continue, and to enhance existing service projects, and to implement new projects. A registration form can be obtained at killearnkiwanis.com or area pro shops. For additional information you may contact Norm Mears at 850-894-0773 or Al Eppinger at 850-893-9436.

Kiwanis Club, at the Killearn Country Club. Men and women are encouraged to participate in this event. You may enter as a team, or if you enter as an individual, you will be placed with a team.

There will be prizes for low net team and Red Ball team scoring. The top 25% of the teams will get prizes for each player. There will be a \$50.00 pro shop prize for the closest to the hole on all par 3's.

The entry fee is only \$75.00 per person. This includes greens fee, carts, prizes and lunch. You may purchase a "Mulligan", maximum of two, for \$5.00 each.

If you are not a "golfer," you may still participate in the 30th Annual Killearn Kiwanis Charles Nuzum Golf Classic. To do so, you are encouraged to be a sponsor for this annual community event

We look forward to you and your friends joining us!



St. Patrick's Festival 2016

Killearn Homes Association was proud to represent Killearn Estates at the 7th Annual Tallahassee Irish Society's St Patrick's Festival Parade on Saturday, March 12th, at Lake Ella. A special thanks goes out to Killearn Country Club's Lori Wilkey and Keith Harrison for the 2 golf carts provided to us for the event. We were proud and honored to have WWII Veteran John McCann Sullivan ride with KHA President John Paul Bailey along the parade route.




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Home Exteriors Beckon

Spring is the time for shedding the vestiges of Winter and getting ready for Summer. It's also the time for those who are considering moving to spruce up their homes and ready them for sale. There is a connection.

The condition and appearance of the exterior of our homes are, naturally, the first things seen by passers-by. They make a home immediately appealing, or frankly, revolting. They are also what you, yourself, see first when entering the driveway, what others see when driving or walking by, and what neighbors see when looking across the street or next door. Overall, are you pleased by the reaction that your home gets (although maybe an unstated reaction)? Does it speak well of you? Does it complement the majority of homes in Killearn Estates? If the answer to any of those questions is *no*, read on.

Although there are separate



sets of Covenants and Restrictions for the various units of Killearn Estates, each contains one that states essentially the following:

Exterior Maintenance.

"...[the Association] shall have the right to provide maintenance upon every improved site that is subject to assessment."

If the property owner doesn't maintain a property, the Association has the right to do the required work. If not voluntarily paid by the homeowner, the cost

of the work can become a lien upon the property.

But enough about the legalities. Let's talk realities. Walking or riding around Killearn Estates, many of the following conditions can be easily seen.

Neglected yards.

These yards are marked by unranked Fall leaves, high weeds, untrimmed shrubs, dead trees, mysterious things growing in the yard, including around mailboxes, and debris in driveways, to name a few. Some of these mysterious things may be invasive. Meaning they spread. Like to other parts of your yard or, more importantly, to your neighbor's yard.

Mold growing on the house.

It was never intended that Killearn Estates be a Penicillin mecca. Not only is it unsightly, but it is unhealthy. There are great physicians in the Killearn Estates area, but pressure washing is easier, faster, and cheaper.

Gutters.

The reason we have gutters and downspouts is to channel water from the roof onto the ground. If they are full of debris, water collects, the debris gets heavy, and gutters collapse, causing deterioration to your home's curb appeal.

Now, let's talk about money. See, that got your attention.

Killearn Estates is a hot neighborhood and is attractive to many families who seek to live here. But no matter how great the house is inside, the seller has to get a prospect in the front door before anything can happen and, frankly, a junky exterior inhibits getting someone in. And, you certainly don't want your neighbor to lose a sale or a potential renter because *your* home is the junky one that



no one wants to live next door to or across from. Neat, clean, and manicured is more marketable. Period.

Whether you live in your home or are trying to sell or rent it, *holey moley*, take some pride in it. At least do this:

- Keep the lawn cut - Whatever you have looks better cut.
- Keep the edges against the road, curb, and driveway trimmed.
- Trim the hedges and bushes - Round, square, whatever. Just keep them neat.
- Put mulch or pine straw in the beds. No, not the bedroom, the ones outside. It's cheap.
- Sweep the driveway, sidewalk, and the street gutter. It's free.

So you say to yourself, "Self, I don't like doing the outside stuff" or "I'm not able to keep up with it." There's an answer; in fact, several answers:

- Read the Kloverleaf. You will see advertisements for companies that do all this kind of work - landscaping, pressure cleaning, gutters, everything.
- Notice the trucks in the neighborhood of companies or individuals doing the work you need. Determine if you like what they are doing, talk to them, to see if you get a good feeling about them. Get references from the other homeowner.

Maintenance does not have to break the bank. We realize that money is tight for lots of people, but you owe it to yourself, to your neighbors, and to Killearn to make your home the best it can be within your means. After all, it is your home.



2016 Tour of Gardens

Spring rains have come and gone and that means the Tour of Gardens is coming soon! This will be the 22nd Annual Tour of Gardens, sponsored by the Friends of Maclay Gardens, Inc. Our mid-May date will allow summer flowers to reach their peak after a strange winter! We have seven beautiful private gardens on the Tour this year with many unique features. Come stroll through these horticultural gems on this one day that they will be open to the public!

On Saturday, May 14, the event will open at 9:00 AM with a continental breakfast at Maclay Gardens followed by the self-paced tour of the private gar-

dens. Coffee, juice, fruit salad, and pastry items will be offered while tour-goers enjoy the shady front lawn by the Visitor Center.

The Friends of Maclay Gardens are pleased to have AAA, the Auto Club Group, as presenting sponsor for the Tour of Gardens again this year. The Friends appreciate the support from this famous organization that provides services such as travel, automotive, insurance, financial, and discounts to more than 8.4 million members through a network of nearly 8,000 employees in approximately 300 office locations in the South and Midwest.

Tickets for the Tour are \$25 in advance and may be purchased at Maclay Gardens, Tallahassee Nurseries, Esposito Garden Center, Native Nurseries, and Purple Martin Outpost. Tickets will be available at the nurseries after April 15. On the day of the event tickets will be \$30. Cash, check or credit card will be accepted. Tickets may also be purchased online at the Friends website www.friendsofmaclaygardens.org. Friends of Maclay Gardens members and AAA members may get a discount online or at the Maclay Gardens Ranger Station.

At 10:00 AM after tour participants have had some delicious breakfast the program with directions will be handed out so tour patrons can set off to see the seven gardens which will be open for viewing from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The gardens can be visited in any convenient order. Volunteers will act as docents at each site to answer questions and provide information. Tickets will be exchanged for tour wristbands at the breakfast or at any of the 7 gardens between 10 - 11:30 AM.

The gardens selected this year offer an interesting mix of styles. They include a big formal garden with raised beds, a garden including beautiful specimen plants and statuary, a shade garden at a country house complete with chickens, a special garden with art objects, a mature garden with native azaleas and a pond, a rain garden created by a Master Gardener, and the Tallahassee Garden Club home, the Rutgers House, in downtown Tallahassee.

The Tour of Gardens is an annual fundraising event that benefits the Friends of Maclay Gardens who are dedicated in their mission to support, protect and preserve Alfred B. Maclay Gardens State Park. If you can't attend please consider a donation to the Friends of Maclay Gardens. If you would like more information about the event contact Mike Fagan at 510-3686 or the Ranger Station at Maclay Gardens at 487-4556. Also visit our Facebook page at Friends of Maclay Gardens for a link to purchase tickets.

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The Killearn Chain of Lakes Rare and Endangered

The Killearn Chain of Lakes (KCOL) is comprised of lakes Kinsail, Killarney, and Kanturk, nestled into the Red Hills of Tallahassee. The lakes have been deemed "impaired" by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection. The reasons for this are many and varied, some natural, some not so much. Before we can evaluate and correct the impairment as a community, we need to first understand more about these types of lakes. The reason for the impairment and what can be done about it will be forthcoming in another issue of the Cloverleaf.

Located between the Cody Scarp and the Tifton Upland, they are rare and endangered sinkhole lakes. They were originally called Okeeheepkee, or Disappearing Waters, by the indigenous Muskogee Creek Indians. There are other sinkhole lakes in our area like Jackson, Iamonia, and Miccosukee, but none as mysterious and beautiful as the KCOL.

Sinkhole lakes are one type of the rare manifestations of a karst lake. Land that sits on top of an ancient sea where the sand, coral and other sea life has turned into lime rock, is called "karst". The underlying lime rock is porous like a ridged sponge. Water flows through karst in underground, sinuous caves called aquifers. Surface water in aquifer areas behaves oddly; you find sinkhole lakes, sinking streams, and springs.

Only three places in the world have the geology and hydrology necessary for all three of the manifestations of karst. Wakulla Springshed, which includes the Red Hills region, is one. Croatia and China are the only other areas with karst. These sites are all



12/12/37: Lakes Kinsail and Killarney are visible

highly valued habitat and are popular for ecotourism. The karst in South China is located in a World Heritage Site in the Guizhou, Guangxi, Yunnan and Chongqing provinces. In Croatia, where the word karst originated, there are many protected areas, such as the world famous Plitvice Lakes. The Croatian Nature Protection Act defines nine categories of karst protection, encompassing two reserves, eight national parks, and eleven nature parks.

There is some protection for karst here in Florida. Lake Jackson is an Aquatic Preserve. Wakulla Springs is



1949: Before development



03/03/13: After development

a state park, and some of our sinking streams are preserved in the Natural Bridge Battlefield Historic State Park. However, the KCOL has only the protection of its loving owners, the residents of Killlearn Estates.

The KCOL are sinkhole lakes, the most critically endangered lake type in Florida according to the Florida Natural Areas Inventory (FNAI). Aerial photographs dating back 100 years show the Killlearn Lakes oscillating between a full pool and dry, desiccated conditions, depending on rainfall. We even see occasional open sinkholes draining the lakes. They are recognizable, similarly sized, and shaped as they are now, which indicates that they are natural. They also have hydrocycles typical of sinkhole lakes; they fill and disappear, just like Lake Jackson, one of the best examples of a sinkhole lake.

The KCOL is naturally different; it lies across a stream, the Alford Arm Tributary, an ancient river course. Its source is Lake McBride near the Georgia border. It flows for several miles through some of the most heavily developed urban and commercial Tallahassee real-estate, picking up pollutants, then flowing into the KCOL. It flows another nine miles to the St Marks River. However, most of the water never reaches the river, it sinks into the ground through the porous lake beds of the KCOL and sinks down into the aquifer to Wakulla Springs. Lake Killlearn rarely goes completely dry. It almost always has open water up to 5 or 6 feet deep, even during natural drawdowns, providing over 20 acres of open water habitat even during drought conditions.

Ten thousand years ago in the Pleistocene era, the Alford Arm Tributary, then a mighty river, flowed nine miles south to an ancient estuary located on what was then the coast (where Lake Lafayette is today). Over the millennia, the Alford Arm Tributary formed extensive caves which connect the local sinkholes to the Floridan Aquifer.

This area has been inhabited by humans for over ten thousand years. There are numerous ancient campsites, towns, temple mounds, and burial mounds along the old Alford Arm Tributary. The area is still hiding numerous artifacts from its constant human habitation. The karst habitat is just as important for current wildlife as it was for ancient humans. According to our former State Archaeologist, Calvin Jones, this is an area of great archaeological importance.

In karst, sinkholes are formed by water dissolving away the lime rock. Acidity in the water speeds the process. Most sinkholes are shallow surface

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We are pleased to have Anna Gaaney join PeoplesSouth Bank as Vice President and Branch Manager of our office on Kerry Forest Parkway. Anna is offering a Safe Deposit Box FREE for a year when you open a new Checking Account with her. She invites all of her friends and former customers to stop by to see her.



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Plitvice Lakes, Croatia



South China Karst

Killearn Chain of Lakes *(Continued from page 13)*

features, but a sinkhole lake is a much more permanent feature. Continuous drainage and dissolution, caused by the percolation of water into underlying lime rock, dissolves and creates passages that connect into the aquifer. The water must experience a constriction somewhere along its subterranean



Sinkhole in Lake Killarney

journey where more water flows into the depression and is held back and fills the depression, forming a sinkhole lake. With bountiful rainfall, the lake will be full, and in times of drought it will be empty.

Water is the variable in sinkhole lakes – it is the creator of these lakes. The KCOL is constantly seeping, leaking, and draining into the Floridan Aquifer. They drain at a rate, per unit area, four times greater than that of Lake Jackson. But they fill rapidly, being located on the Alford Arm Tributary, which carries millions of gallons of storm water through your sinkhole lakes. The KCOL is a giant filter, the porous sands of its bottom sediments clean and purify the storm water as it sinks slowly into the aquifer, eventually flowing into the heart of the Wakulla Springshed, recharging Wakulla Springs.

Why is the KCOL and our other sinkhole lakes considered critically endangered? The great energy these systems generate for wildlife is a gift of their varying water levels. It is a type of almost tidal energy that produces bountiful harvests of fish and other wildlife. While sinkhole lakes are a magnet for wildlife, these varying water levels are not suited to modern cities. Civilization controls sinkhole lakes by using engineering to stabilize the water levels. They are dammed, ditched, and diked into compliance. These now unbalanced lakes become a water quality threat to the aquifer, and unsightly ponds to the residents.

The natural biological community in sinkhole lakes is particularly adapted to, and depends on, a natural hydrocycle to exist. With shortsighted human management and engineering, sinkhole lakes are all experiencing rapid habitat loss. Their unique and diverse flora and fauna, evolved and specially adapted to this fluctuating hydroperiod, are vanishing. These delicate fish, birds, amphibians and reptiles, as well as some small mammals, are threatened, stabilized, and short-circuited into obscurity to preserve property values by humans implementing traditional development practices. The human need to stabilize these lakes causes an inherent unnatural imbalance in the biota. Water quality suffers, and the unnatural stabilization short-circuits the variation in water levels which gives the lakes their dynamic and diverse biological attributes. This causes eutrophication, water quality degradation, habitat loss, and a breakdown in the natural ability of these lakes, when in a natural state, to generate healthy wildlife habitat and clean water.

Which brings us back to the impairment. Stay tuned ...

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Beat the Heat at the Killearn Estates Swim Club

It's hard to imagine that the weather these days will warm up enough to enjoy the Killearn Estates Swim Club pool, but those who have lived here long enough know the steamy heat Tallahassee residents endure during the summer months.

The Killearn Estates Swim Club will reopen on April 30th, 2016 at 11 am, and will remain open through October 2nd, 2016. The resident membership fee for the full season will remain at last year's rate of \$450. However, for Killearn residents only, if you join or renew early and pay in full by April 15, 2016, you will receive a reduced rate of \$400.00 for the entire season. After April 15th, the resident rates will be as follows:



Although we don't offer a month to month membership, the longer you wait to join, the more it will cost you monthly for the remaining months.

Use of the 3.4 acre park area and tennis courts will be open to all Killearn Estates members, free of charge, just like the 9 parks, bridle trails, lakes and common areas are in the community.

- \$450.00 entire season if paid May 1st
- \$425.00 if starting June 1st
- \$375.00 if starting July 1st
- \$325.00 if starting August 1st
- \$175 if starting September 1st



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Daytime Phone/Cell: _____ Employer: _____

Name of Spouse: _____

Names and ages of Children:

_____ Age: _____ _____ Age: _____

_____ Age: _____ _____ Age: _____

I/we understand that our membership is seasonal for swimming. The membership fees are due and payable regardless of weather conditions or pool usage. I/we agree to abide by all of the rules and regulations of the Killearn Swim Club and further agree to not hold the Killearn Swim Club employees, representatives, membership or board members responsible for accidental injury.

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Sunhippie" ~ 24" x 36" Oil

featured artist

Meet Michael Harrell

Killearn Estates resident Michael Harrell has been painting the Florida coast & the Bahamas for over 3 decades. His award-winning paintings can be found in corporate and private collections throughout the United States. His work has been featured numerous times in "American Art Collector" magazine and, in 2005, "The Artist's Magazine" named him as one of the "top 20 artists in America to watch!" Michael is represented by The Gallery On Greene in Key West, Palm Avenue Fine Art in Sarasota, The Red Piano Art Gallery in Hilton Head, SC, The Sylvan Gallery in Charleston, and The Maritime Gallery in Mystic Seaport, CT.



During the month of April, approximately 30 of Michael's works will be on display at the LeMoyné Center for Visual Arts, with the opening from 6-9 pm on April 1st.



Key West Dory" 13" x 16" Watercolor



Wading Beach, Key West ~ 14" x 19" Watercolor

Thomasville Road Planning Study Follow-Up Presentation

Killearn Homes Association

Board of Directors Meeting ~ 7:00 p.m. ~ May 3, 2016

KHA Office Board Room

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) has been working on a study to explore additional highway capacity alternatives to relieve current and anticipated traffic congestion along the Thomasville Road/ Capital Circle Northeast (SR 61/US 319) corridor, including the interchanges with Interstate 10 (I-10). The project limits extend from Metropolitan Boulevard to the Bannerman Road/ Bradfordville Road intersection. Alternatives being considered include: adding travel lanes to SR 61 (US 319) in the northbound and southbound directions, improving the existing roadway network east of Thomasville Road (Killarney Way, Shamrock Road,), and constructing a new roadway on a new alignment (Welaunee Blvd). Secondary purposes include expediting multi-modal travel along the corridor while

allowing safe movement of vehicle, pedestrian and bicycle traffic.

This project involves coordination with the Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency (CRTPA), Blueprint 2000, Tallahassee-Leon County Planning Department, other project stakeholders and other roadway projects in the area, including Killearn Estates.

The study is nearing completion. Alternatives that meet the purpose and need of the study will be carried forward for a more in-depth analysis in future projects. Current project information can be found on the project website at <http://www.nwflroads.com/FutureProjects.shtm> and scrolling down to Leon County. Contact information for the project manager can also be found on both the project home page, and the Contact Us page of the website.

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Architectural Control Committee Actions for February, 2016

The Committee meets every Wednesday at 10am in the Killlearn Homes Association conference room.

DATE	UNIT	PROJECT	ACTION/CONDITIONS
2/3/2016	38	Roof replacement (Pewter Gray)	Approved
	08	Install wooden privacy fence	Approved
	41	Paint shutters/replace roof (Weathered Wood)	Approved
	20	Install rail to mailbox for ADA mobility issue (Must be removed when no longer necessary)	Approved
	38	Add storage area to side of home	Approved
2/10/2016	11	Replace 6' with 8' privacy fencing in front	Approved
	42	Replacing privacy fencing	Approved
	09	Update front entrance/repaint home	Approved
	41	Install 8' wooden privacy fencing along rear	Approved
	24	Install 6' wood shadowbox privacy fencing	Approved
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	24	Replace wood deck/add 6' shadowbox fencing	Approved
2/17/2016	39	Addition to rear of home/replace roof (charcoal)	Approved
	29	Roof replacement (Weathered Wood)	Approved
2/24/2016	18	Tree removal/expand driveway/add fencing	Approved
	07	Replace wood gables w/hardie board & repaint	Approved
	38	Replace and add to existing wooden deck	Approved
	23	Roof replacement (Slate Gray)	Approved
	26	Install 7x7 garden shed	Approved
	07	Install 6' shadowbox privacy fencing	Approved
	35	Roof replacement (Dark Gray)	Approved

ACC MEMBERS: CHAIRMAN MICHAEL FLEMMING, MARK TRUDEAU, LEE JOHNSON, JOHN PAUL BAILEY, POLLY JOHNSON, DAVID FERGUSON. ALL EXTERIOR ADDITIONS OR ALTERATIONS MUST BE APPROVED BY THE ACC PRIOR TO CONSTRUCTION.



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Studies show that reading is crucial to every child's future. If a child is struggling to read by third grade, the statistics show that the child will be below grade level in 9th grade as well if measures are not taken to identify the problem and to remediate the reading issues.

Woodland Hall Academy offers a unique program

utilizing multisensorial, structured language techniques that are recognized nationally. Because students are receiving one-to-one reading instruction, emphasis can be placed on the areas that need practice and improvement. For some students that may mean phonics, blending, and phonemic awareness which are the building blocks to reading. For other students the emphasis may be more on vocabulary development, comprehension skills, and test taking strategies.

Parents may find out more information concerning the Summer Reading Program by calling Woodland Hall Academy at (850) 893-2216 or go to www.woodlandhallacademy.org.

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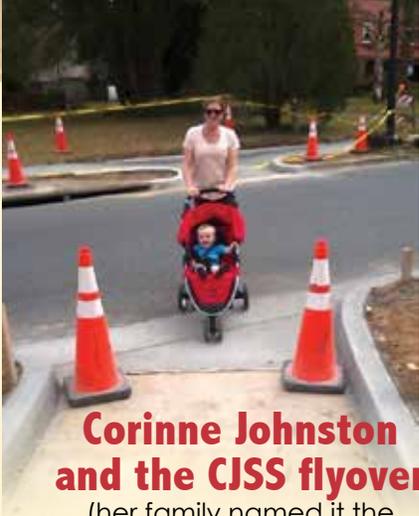
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Corinne Johnston and the CJSS flyover

(her family named it the Corinne Johnston Scenic Sidewalk)

At the intersection of Killarney Way and Forsythe Way, resident Corinne Johnston and her son Michael were almost hit by a car while out strolling. It wasn't the first time they had a close call crossing



that intersection. but it was by far the scariest. If you are using a stroller, or a wheelchair, you had to go onto the street via someone's driveway, then cross the road and stand in the street in the middle of the road while waiting for traffic to clear, and then cross onto the other side via somebody else's driveway. Corinne contacted city and county officials and in her words "their response was amazing." She received an email from the City informing her that construction of the sidewalk and crosswalk would begin in the next 4-6 weeks. And, they did! "Thank you Commissioners Scott Maddox, Kristin Dozier, Bryan Desloge, Gil Ziffer, Nancy Miller and Mayor Andrew Gillum for responding so quickly and for making this happen! I can't tell you how much better I feel knowing I will be able to walk with my son and feel safe crossing the road! Please also thank your staff because they were great to work with."

Killearn Homes Association thanks you as well !



Dear Killearn Estates Homeowners,

So your neighbor has so much mold and mildew growing on their driveway that it's slick enough to skate on. And your other neighbor has decided to own Night Monkeys that "hoot" all night every night. Ok, maybe these are a bit far-fetched, but you can rest assured that the association's recorded Covenants & Restrictions provide a means to prevent or correct these issues.

Over the next few months, Killearn Homes Association will be taking action to ensure that the Covenants for each unit in Killearn Estates remain enforceable. To do this, the Covenants must be "preserved" and "revitalized" as authorized under Florida Statutes, Chapter 720.403-407. Whether or not a unit is preserved or revitalized depends on how old the unit is. Older units usually need revitalization, requiring a more involved process, while newer units only need preservation which can be done by a vote of the board.

Those units scheduled to be preserved will receive a notice in the mail during the last week of April. The board will vote on all preservation matters at their regular meeting May 3, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

The units needing revitalization will require a bit more work. There will be an update on these units at the June 7th board meeting, with all revitalization packets being mailed no later than June 10, 2016.

What is preservation and revitalization?

These are procedures authorized by Chapter 720.403-407, Florida Statutes by which the community's governing documents can be renewed for an additional 30 years, and allows each parcel in the community to continue the benefit of being governed by the Covenants.

Why is it important to the community?

If not done, the Covenants could expire against certain parcels in the community and the ability to provide for the continued maintenance of the aesthetic character of the neighborhood and its common areas would terminate. To insure the community continue to be maintained, and that the property values in the community are preserved, the Covenants must be preserved or revitalized.

So keep your eyes out for more info, especially in the mail. And if you see any mildew or monkey business going on, let us know!

TALLAHASSEE WOMEN'S NEWCOMERS CLUB



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2015-2016 - Report Card (for full year)

2016 Physical - Every participant must have a physical, filled out on the Pop Warner 2016 Physical form, prior to August 1st. Participants cannot start practice without this!

2016 Big Bend Pop Warner Registration Form

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To support The Living Harvest please stop in and visit the store at 4500 W. Shannon Lakes Drive in the Four Oaks Plaza.

april in the Tallahassee Garden

April is a busy month in the garden. If you have the time, energy and inclination, there is plenty to do.

Planting: Begin planting warm season annuals and perennials. It's especially important to prepare the soil so that you have good drainage. You're hoping these plants will last for many years to come, so the extra effort now will be well worth the trouble.

Perennials which perform well in our area to plant now include agapanthus, Philippine violet, Shasta daisy, coreopsis, crocosmia, verbena, plumbago, daylilies and Louisiana iris. As a rule of thumb, plant in groups of three, five or more. Daylilies and other perennials may be divided now, if needed, but do it soon.

Annuals to seed directly into the landscape include zinnias, marigolds, sunflowers, cleome and nasturtiums. Annuals to transplant in full sun include ageratum, celosia, gomphrena, nicotiana, salvia and many more now available in garden centers. For shadier areas plant impatiens, begonias, coleus, Blue Daze, pentas, and torenia.

Lawn care: April is the time to fertilize. Use a 15-0-15 fertilizer with 7.5% water-insoluble or slow-release nitrogen at a rate of no more than 6 pounds of fertilizer per 1000 square feet. Centipede grass should do well with half that amount.

Vegetable garden: If you haven't already done so, plant tomatoes, eggplant, peppers, squash, cucumbers, pole beans, okra and sweet potatoes. They will need one to one and one-half inches of water per week during the growing season. To prevent the development of fungus and plant diseases, water in the mornings so that plants can dry out before evening. This is also a good time to plant basil, dill, chives and rosemary.

Trees and shrubs: If trees and shrubs seem healthy and vigorous, they probably don't need fertilizing. If needed, fertilize spring-blooming trees and shrubs after the blossoms fade. Use a 15-0-15 fertilizer with 7.5% water-insoluble or slow-release nitrogen. Fertilize the rooting zone at the rate of no more than three tablespoons per 10 square feet. If you fertilize your lawn with a weed-and-feed fertilizer, be sure none of it gets into the rooting zone of your trees and shrubs. Keep them well mulched, with the mulch pulled back from the stems or trunks.

Live oak leaves are falling now and they make very good mulch. Rake them into your beds or if your neighbor has been kind enough to rake his leaves,

bag them and place them at the curb, then use those.

The old mulch under roses, camellias, and azaleas should be raked out and disposed of. Fungus can hide there and re-infect your plants' flowers. In Spring the older leaves on camellias, magnolias and other evergreens start to yellow and fall. They will be followed by new growth.

House plants: Repot them now and place outside under trees or in a shady spot to rejuvenate them.

For more local gardening information, visit the UF-IFAS Extension website for Leon County at <http://leon.ifas.ufl.edu> Reprinted with the permission of the University of Florida IFAS Extension in Leon County.





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	<u>Jan 1 - Mar 24, 16</u>	<u>Jan 1 - Mar 24, 15</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
6010 · INCOME-CURRENT DUES	417,779.92	464,932.75
6013 · INCOME-LATE FEES	1,487.64	1,155.04
6015 · INCOME-PRIOR DUES	1,434.43	1,285.67
6017 · ESTOPPEL	2,338.46	2,304.33
6020 · DELINQUENT ACCT-Maintenance	184.10	31.27
6021 · DELINQUENT ACCT-INTER.	78.90	87.11
6022 · COLL. FEES-LEGAL	6,348.15	3,683.69
6024 · ADMIN. NOTICING COST	477.84	63.52
6030 · INCOME-OTHER	600.00	35.28
6033 · INCOME-ADVERTISING	12,867.74	8,914.50
6055 · CENTURYLINK COMMISSION	12,158.05	15,281.03
6057 · KILLEARN ESTATES SWIM CLUB	875.00	2,675.00
6830 · INCOME-INTEREST	33.21	27.76
Total Income	<u>456,663.44</u>	<u>500,476.95</u>
Gross Profit	456,663.44	500,476.95
Expense		
6560 · PAYROLL TAXES	4,357.50	3,949.99
6950 · MAINTENANCE	1,350.00	500.00
7050 · LAKES	4,000.00	5,700.00
7100 · GROUNDS	19,053.20	22,706.20
7110 · ADDITIONAL GROUNDS SERV.	2,383.00	7,500.00
7120 · REPAIRS	358.97	1,387.00
7251 · COVENANT REVITALIZATION-PRESERVATION	250.00	0.00
7270 · UTILITIES-COMMON AREAS	1,320.83	1,340.93
7271 · ASSN. CENTER - UTILITIES	1,722.80	1,733.33
7272 · CLEANING SERVICE	750.00	690.00
7325 · KE SWIM CLUB - SUPPLIES	1,612.00	0.00
7335 · KE SWIM CLUB - UTILITIES	582.39	255.71
7610 · PLAYGROUND/PARK IMPROVEMENTS	4,640.30	0.00
8050 · NEWSLETTER	13,043.44	15,560.10
8170 · OTHER	273.70	3,067.15
8410 · MEMBERS STATEMENT	1,823.19	5,673.28
8420 · LEGAL & PROF. FEES	8,381.53	36,572.53
8580 · PAYROLL-SALARIES	35,539.90	30,996.11
8640 · ACCOUNTING/AUDITING	0.00	205.00
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8730 · MISC. ADMIN. EXPENSE	2,577.07	790.12
8750 · EVENTS	1,318.44	500.00
8782 · INSURANCE - WORKER'S COMP	812.00	828.00
8821 · LIEN FILING FEE	20.00	40.00
8850 · POSTAGE	208.96	2,414.12
8870 · PRINTING - COPY MACHINE	717.42	1,491.85
8940 · SUPPLIES-OFFICE	692.40	844.34
9500 · TELEPHONE	1,275.17	1,113.01
9880 · FEDERAL INCOME TAX	4,160.00	0.00
Total Expense	<u>113,745.57</u>	<u>147,394.61</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>342,917.87</u>	<u>353,082.34</u>
Net Income	<u><u>342,917.87</u></u>	<u><u>353,082.34</u></u>



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