

Afton Downs Homeowners Association Newsletter

September 2008

Meet your new HOA Board Members
for 2008 - 2009!

ADHA is Going Green

President:

Open

Vice President

Julie Sherrill 5154 Afton Way

Secretary / Newsletter:

Marita Lambert 2027 Oakley Trace

Treasurer:

Faye First 5028 Bell Drive

Welcome Committee:

Open

Website:

Tasha Ruegsegger

Architectural Control Committee:

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We are going paperless – going forward, you will now get your newsletters via email (by sending your email address to aftondowns@gmail.com) or directly off the internet by visiting our website www.aftondowns.net where we will post them along with many other items regarding our neighborhood. Note, that if you don't have web access, please let a board member know by filling out the information at the bottom, and we will continue to print one out for you.



The ADHA board is made up of a group of homeowners in the subdivision who **volunteer** their time to the community free of charge. As a paid member, you will be able to cast a vote in the business of Afton Downs and be eligible for a board position. The Association meets once yearly (generally at the Smyrna library), and funds collected are used for the maintenance of the entrance and entrance islands; for the purchase of landscape supplies; for the yearly renewal of State incorporation fees; to publish the community newsletter; for the purchase of office supplies; for postage; and for miscellaneous expenses.

ADHA needs your Dues – only \$25 per year

The Afton Downs Homeowners Association needs your financial support to maintain our subdivision. We hope you will join us by sending the yearly dues to the treasurer today! Membership dues are only \$25 per year. You can mail or hand-deliver your membership dues to our Treasurer, Faye First, at 5028 Bell Drive, or **now pay online using PayPal**. Check out our website for this option. www.aftondowns.net

Your Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Email: _____

Own Rent (if you rent, please complete other side)

Check here if you want to continue receiving the newsletter in print. (Paid homeowners only.)

Make your check payable to
“Afton Downs Homeowners
Association” and attached it
here.

Return slip to: Faye First, at 5028 Bell Drive or any Board Member

Architectural Control Committee

Everyone knows that owning a home is the most important investment you will probably ever make. To maintain and protect that investment, we have an association with dedicated board members who donate their time and efforts to ensure increased property values and to make sure that you get top dollar when you sell your property. Also, the Association works hard to improve the standard of living for residents in Afton Downs. The ADHA brings neighbors together to support our common goals, interests, and community values. Together we will continue to improve our neighborhood. The *Declaration of Covenants, Restrictions and Easements for Afton Downs* are the legal documents which govern all properties in the subdivision. The Architectural Control Committee makes sure all homeowners abide by those covenants and maintain their properties. As fee simple properties, all homeowners are responsible for the exterior maintenance of their properties, which includes their yards, shrubberies, and the areas between the driveways. See <http://www.aftondowns.net/acc.html> for more information.

Volunteer Opportunities

Looking for somewhere to help out? Are you a ... Gardener? Party Planner? Lawyer? Have a talent or expertise that we can call upon you for help or advice/clarification? Or maybe you would like to submit a mini article for the newsletter (best time to plant/fertilize, happenings in Smyrna Market Village, organize a Neighborhood Watch or even a yard sale). Please contact us if you would like to serve on one of the committees. We look forward to getting to know you and invite your participation in the activities of the ADHA. Please check out our website for **volunteer** opportunities.

The Welcome Committee needs people to hand out the New Neighbor Packets, and really to act as an ambassador to welcome them to Afton Downs. We also need to know when new neighbors move in. Everyone can help by keeping an eye out and emailing the board (at aftondowns@gmail.com) with the address of the new neighbor.

Architectural Control Committee Be a part of this team by **volunteering** to help the ACC prepare surveys on a section of your street. This year the ACC will be doing the surveys around February 2009, so you can plan any needed projects to get up to code for the spring.



Tips to Keep Our Neighborhood Beautiful: Newspapers – call and cancel them if you don't want them left in your driveway. Or arrange for a neighbor to pick up when you're out of town.

If you are a renter, please pass this newsletter along to the owner with your next rent payment or provide us with their contact information by filling out the section below and dropping it off at one of the board members homes.

Renters only:

Owner's Name: _____

Owner's Contact Information: *(please provide what you know below)*

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone #: _____

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