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President's Letter

by Monte C. Shalett



Once again, the Season is upon us – let Mirth ring out across the 'Vista as Santa and his Elves come a visitin'! It has been another few months and time has flown. We have been busy as usual with one small break for Thanksgiving. Let me reminisce...

Plans for new homes and additions, pools, fences and all manner of improvements are being sent regularly to the Non-Flood Authority (the NFPAMA, "the Authority") more so than before, but now, more importantly to us and you, they are being sent to our Architectural Committee for review at the same time. As the old saw goes "Measure twice, cut once", please be sure to call Michael Moffitt or contact a board member who can help guide you in your construction ideas. The deed restrictions are in force, as they were before, however we will be able to see potential problem areas in the plan submittals where we were not able to do so before. Everyone should know this: No new construction, whether major or minor, can be started prior to approval of complete construction plans by the Authority. The City of New Orleans will not process building permits without the required approval.

On another very big front, the Authority has also indicated publicly that prior plans developed in 2015 for the rezoning of both public shelter houses and the adjacent parks along Lakeshore Drive have now been put on indefinite hold. Thanks to the Board and to you, our members, who supported our call for action and attended the City Planning Commission meetings, we engaged critical support from all four Lakefront neighborhoods and Lakeview to persuade the Commission and ultimately our partners, the Authority, that better, more compatible use of these buildings should be evaluated. At the current time, no use of the public portions of these buildings other than public shelters has been advocated. The Authority may consider using one of the building's interior space for a Lakefront NFPAMA office for management of the parks and facilities rentals, another new program being formulated.

The Flood side of the old Levee Board (SLFPA-E) has worked with the Non-Flood and has relocated their Orleans Levee District Police Department (OLD PD) from the big building on Franklin Avenue to the Lake Vista Community Center just last month. We now have the addition of their policing on our Lakefront streets to support the Lake Vista Crime Prevention District Metro Security monitoring services. This is a tremendous addition to our vigilance and security and we are assured that with the completion this time next year of the new construction of the OLD Police Complex which just broke ground last week, up to 40 OLD PD Reserve officers will remain at the LVCC Office for a long-term anchor on the Lakefront. This is absolutely due to Joe Hassinger SLFPA-E President (Lake Terrace resident) and Wilma Heaton, NFPAMA Chairman for their dedication and innovation! Bravo and a big Thank You!

Part of the continuing and considerable improvements by the Authority in partnership with us this past year are improved communications, grass cutting, attention to trees, parks, pass-through servitudes and warnings or ticketing of golf carts in parks and illegally parked trailers and boats on our streets. These are issues for all of us and have been so many years.

Our furry friends became a dark force in the 'hood, striking not just once but often and repeatedly near St. Pius. I am talking about the Attacks of the Squirrels. At least when I am out of office, I will have something to remember over drinks and laugh about as I recall the Mayor dispatching a crack team of animal control officers who "apprehended three of the culprits"!

We have improved the quality of *Lake Vista News* and our Editors, Brenda and Dawn are proud that we have been able to increase our advertising as well.

Rachel has been steadily increasing the social scene with a wonderful Halloween Party attended by the biggest crowd I have ever seen (MLVGA)! and the costume contest was a hoot, being won by our past Treasurer and her merry band of Killer Squirrels (oh no! Not the Squirrels again!). Next up will be our newest treat, a King Cake Party after the New Year!

Sadly, our two-time President and the anchor of our ship on the Board, John M. Davis, Jr., passed away unexpectedly leaving us without his wit, charm and wisdom. We will miss him. Our Board is going to remember John with the planting of a tree which will grow with every passing year.

So, with the good and the not so good, I will let you get back to your busy wonderful lives and say, "God Bless You and Your Family, have a Merry Christmas and Seasons Greetings, and may your New Year be better than ever!

And, for my Christmas and for the New Year, all I want is for Each of You to sign up just one New Member for LVPOA! We are growing and with your support I am sure we can make you proud and get some of our bigger projects accomplished. Get involved! Call me or a Board Member anytime.

Monte C. Shalett
504-982-7363

In Memoriam

JOHN MAURÉE DAVIS,
JUNIOR



Our dear friend, neighbor, LVPOA Secretary and two-time past president of the Lake Vista Property Owners Association, John Davis, passed away after a brief illness on Sunday, October 22, 2017, in New Orleans. John was the devoted husband of Dawn MacLeod Davis, and loving father to Diana and Emily. He was a long-standing participant in all things Lake Vista. He took his duties and commitments to the LVPOA with all the conscientiousness that you would expect a parent to bestow on a child. Over many years, he was the first, and often most vigorous volunteer for the more difficult and trying jobs—keeping the finances and paperwork orderly, organizing community involvement in planning for the new pumps and gently guiding the neighborhood forward through sometimes tumultuous times. He was a man of integrity, of kindness, thoughtfulness, and commitment. His was a life well lived.

Let us say farewell to a great friend to all of us...John will be dearly missed. Dawn, Emily and Diana will remain in our thoughts and prayers. John will always be remembered and will forever remain in our hearts.

The Blessings of Lake Vista

By Pastor Woody Hingle

“There is maybe only one other neighborhood like it in the country,” declared a member of Lake Vista United Methodist Church about our subdivision not long after I had first arrived in 1999. The member was a Dove Street resident, Mildred Dusenbury. And she should know about neighborhoods since she was a real estate agent! She was in love with Lake Vista, and my family and I have also come to share that love for special reasons.

Lake Vista is safe. I know we have all heard about some crime events scattered around the neighborhood. Nevertheless, such events are rare, especially in comparison with the rest of New Orleans. Children and adults feel comfortable playing in the various breezeways or strolling through the lanes at night.

Lake Vista is serene. There is nothing quite like biking or jogging through the neighborhood and surrounding area to clear the mind! Our easy access to Lake Pontchartrain is refreshing to the soul. My wife Elena and I have enjoyed walks in the neighborhood and to the lake while we talk about our day or plans for the future. My children Norwood (23), Emily (21), and Nathan (19) tell me at times how much they have loved growing up in such a beautiful place. I often go out for jogs on Sunday mornings before church, and I find it's the perfect way to feel the Lord's peace and presence before I get ready to teach and lead the worship service.

Lake Vista is spiritual. I know what you're thinking—just what we'd expect a pastor to say! And you've got a point, but I have concrete evidence to support mine. Please take a moment and think about how Lake Vista was planned. All of the streets end in cul-de-sacs which form a circle, and at the center of that circle are two churches—St. Pius X and Lake Vista UMC. One need not be a Christian or believer in any faith to see that the symbolism is significant! It makes me reflect as a Christian that if symbols of God are in the center of our neighborhood for reasons like promoting safety and serenity, how much more do I need Him to be in the center of my life and my family?

There's no doubt about it. Lake Vista is a very special place to live and raise a family. My family and I count it as one of the great blessings in our lives for nearly 20 years!

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**JAN
7**

Sunday, January 7 • 11:00 AM
LVPOA KING CAKE PARTY
The Bird's Nest Café on Spanish Fort

**JAN
11**

Thursday, January 11
ST. PIUS X SCHOOL TOURS
9:00-11:00 AM and 6:00-7:30 PM

**JAN
11**

Thursday, January 11
ST. PIUS X FAITH & FAMILIES
Following 5:00 PM Mass

**JAN
19**

Friday, January 19
ST. PIUS X SCHOOL APPLICATIONS DUE

**FEB
23**

Friday, February 23
ST. PIUS X SCOUTS FISH FRY
5:30 - 9:00 PM

**MAR
9**

Friday, March 9
ST. PIUS X SCOUTS FISH FRY
5:30 - 9:00 PM

**MAR
25**

**LAKE VISTA GARDEN CLUB
SPRING BBQ & EASTER EGG HUNT**
Sunday, March 25 • 2:00 PM • Floral Park

**MAR
29**

Thursday, March 29 • 6:30 - 7:30 PM
**LAKE VISTA UMC
MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE**

**APR
1**

Sunday, April 1 • 10:30 - 11:30 AM
**LAKE VISTA UMC
EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE**

**APR
7**

Saturday, April 7
ST. PIUS X ANNUAL GALA

**APR
14**

Saturday, April 14
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LAKE VISTA CRIME PREVENTION DISTRICT

As we begin the new year, we would like to be certain you all have updated information on crime prevention necessities for our neighborhood. Please post these instructions somewhere in your homes where you will see them. Keep in mind the best way to avoid needing these is to make it a habit to always **LOCK YOUR AUTOMOBILE** doors the same way you do your homes. **DO NOT LEAVE VALUABLES** in your automobiles. **NO WEAPONS, PHONES, IPADS, MONEY...**you know the drill.

Should a crime occur, this is what you do (these are new instructions) Please call all three numbers:

1. Call Orleans Levee District Emergency Phone Number: **504-283-9800**
2. Call Metro Security: **504-835-5421**
3. Call 911 to alert NOPD .
 - a. Metro provides security escort when you are on your way home in the evenings.
 - b. Call Metro to let them know if you will be out of town and they will patrol around your home more often.
 - c. As part of our contract with Metro, they will pick up your mail, newspapers and packages and put them somewhere safe if you request this service

LVCPCD now has the ability to download data within minutes from the crime cameras so please be sure to notify us if you have an incident at your home or a neighbors.

LVCPCD Board Meetings are open to the public. We meet at 5:30 PM at the Lake Vista Community Center.

UPCOMING MEETINGS: Monday, January 8, 2018 & Monday, March 12, 2018

Thank you for supporting our efforts and sharing crime issues/problems and positive safety service news with us at Board@LVCPD.com

Have a Happy and Safe New Year,

Carol Asher, President, Steve Villavaso, Secretary, Allen Carman, Treasurer, Jackie Shreves, Commissioner, Keith Zibilich, Commissioner, Monte Shalett, Commissioner, Michael Moffitt, Commissioner

LAKE VISTA BLOCK CAPTAINS

*Do you know that each street in Lake Vista has a Block Captain?
The Block Captains distribute these newsletters and other communications.
They are also the eyes and ears of the LVPOA to welcome new neighbors,
and to highlight issues on their respective streets to the LVPOA Board.*



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2/22/17	73 FLAMINGO	Vacant Land	N/A	\$439,500	\$425,000	N/A	N/A	28 Days
3/10/17	25 RAIL	Residential	Excellent	\$675,000	\$650,000	2595	3/2	N/A
4/13/17	102 S WREN	Residential	Excellent	\$1,100,000	\$990,000	5051	5/5	310 Days
5/17/17	22 PLOVER	Residential	Average	\$479,000	\$450,000	2032	4/2	6 Days
5/22/17	6 LARK	Residential	Excellent	\$585,000	\$580,000	2463	3/2	10 Days
6/09/17	106-08 EGRET	Multi-Family	Very Good	\$425,000	\$400,000	3247	N/A	141 Days
6/15/17	6300 BEAUREGARD	Vacant Land	N/A	\$475,000	\$455,000	N/A	N/A	16 Days
6/30/17	16 GULL	Residential	Excellent	\$929,000	\$900,000	4052	5/3	27 Days
7/21/17	1117 ROBERT E LEE	Residential	Excellent	\$534,000	\$515,000	2300	3/2.5	58 Days
7/21/17	10 WREN	Residential	Excellent	\$574,000	\$565,000	2575	4/3.5	122 Days
7/24/17	24 STILT	Residential	Very Good	\$544,000	\$532,500	2733	4/3.5	381 Days
7/28/17	1167 ROBERT E LEE	Residential	Very Good	\$649,000	\$649,000	3360	3/2.5	0 Days
7/31/17	20 BLUEBIRD	Residential	Excellent	\$549,900	\$520,000	2494	3/3	349 Days
8/8/17	21 SNIPE	Residential	Very Good	\$499,000	\$465,000	2611	3/3.5	25 Days
8/21/17	6 DOVE	Residential	Average	\$515,000	\$480,000	2156	3/2.5	6 Days
9/15/17	115 N WREN	Residential	Excellent	\$685,000	\$675,000	2,740	5/4.5	8 Days
9/21/17	46 LARK	Residential	Average	\$529,000	\$465,000	2,300	3/2.5	71 Days
10/2/17	41 STILT	Residential	Excellent	\$595,000	\$577,000	3,100	4/3	305 Days
10/6/17	49 ORIOLE	Residential	Excellent	\$625,000	\$620,000	2,076	3/2.5	
10/18/17	9 STILT	Residential	Average	\$459,000	\$430,000	1,867	3/2.5	43 Days
10/31/17	20 THRASHER	Residential	Excellent	\$497,500	\$485,000	2,100	3/2	75 Days
11/17/17	2 DOVE	Residential	Excellent	\$809,000	\$757,500	3,615	5/4	491 Days
11/30/17	52 N LARK ST	Residential	Very Good	\$445,000	\$410,000	2,088	2/2	22 Days

Circles, Lanes and Parks:

CIRCLES ON THE NORTH SIDE OF FLORAL PARK

By Milton Reese, LVPOA Beautification and Infrastructure Committee

Our third and fourth articles in this series will cover Circles on the north side of Floral Park.

As many of us know, Lark Street is the major street in east section of Lake Vista and it runs east to west off of Beauregard Avenue. Last time, this series covered the North Lark Circle so we will focus on the South Lark Circle this time. Lark Street is one of the three major streets in Lake Vista. Spanish Fort and Wren Street are the other. It is well known to contain many leaders throughout the existence of LVPOA, LVGC, and LVWC. Three former LVPOA Presidents live or lived on Lark.

Lark Street ends on what is known as the Movie Theatre lot now occupied by a beautiful home built by the Napolitano family. Coming out of this area one will notice what appears to be a "half circle" which is not a full Circle but nonetheless contains six original lots on it. Two of the six lots are renovated original homes. In two homes on that half circle reside folks who grew up on that lot, while another homeowner grew up in Lake Vista. Anthus and Camellia Lanes are near this area as well.

South Lark Circle contains seven original lots and some of the original homes still stand today. Poinsettia Lane runs off of this Circle. The circle now contains a blend of wonderful longstanding residents with the lovely addition of new homes and families to our neighborhood.

We hope all of you in Lake Vista have a very special Holiday Season! The wintery conditions we are now in may mean a return to normal for all of our plants in 2018.



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LVPOA PROFIT AND LOSS

JANUARY-NOVEMBER 2017 VS. 2016

PROFIT & LOSS

	2017	2016
INCOME		
75th Anniversary	50	-
Advertising Income	4,460	245
Total Association Dues	16,151	14,070
Interest Income	80	-
TOTAL INCOME	20,741	14,315
EXPENSE		
Lake Vista E-Mail	200	-
Fees	45	10
Lake Vista Newsletter	4,281	2,147
Lake Vista Website	2,481	-
Insurance--D&O Liability	2,762	2,682
Total Professional Fees	1,559	-
Total Beautification Expense	4,600	1,870
Neighborhood Events	539	-
Advertising Expense	-	300
Meeting Expense	787	802
Total Postage Expense	779	410
Computer Expense	-	946
Total Taxes	1,257	-
Utilities-Electric Expense	167	146
Total Expense	19,457	9,340
NET INCOME	1,284	4,975

LAKE VISTA WOMAN'S CLUB

The Lake Vista Woman's Club has been busy this fall! Debbie Schmitz, EJGH Cancer Care Navigator, was our guest speaker at our October meeting in honor of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. She brought along several "breast busts" and taught us the proper technique for Breast Self-Exam. She also provided lots of goodies and educational materials and helped make the meeting educational and fun.

In November, in lieu of our annual Wine Social, the members opted to support and attend the 3rd annual K9s for Warriors fundraising event by "A Toast to Our Heroes". The LVWC had about twenty members (2 tables) in attendance and enjoyed cocktails, food and dancing with entertainment by "Lost in the Sixties". This event is held each year to honor and raise money to provide service canines to our Warriors suffering from Post-Traumatic Stress Disability. The goal is to empower our Veterans and return them to civilian life with dignity and independence. K9s for Warriors does not just save Veterans, the organization saves neglected dogs as well. Most of the dogs come from shelters throughout the South Eastern United States. These dogs are rescued and receive professional training for six months before spending three weeks bonding with their assigned Veterans in the real world.

As of this writing we are preparing for our Annual Holiday Luncheon. This year's luncheon will be held at the lovely home of Babs Mollere on Robert E. Lee. Our biggest fundraising effort will be the Auction and Parade of Prizes. Last year we raised almost \$2,000.00 and hope to once again raise money so that we can donate to worthy charitable causes throughout the year.

At our January meeting, the LVWC will be celebrating 63 years! A presentation will be given by Eric Hartman, Executive Director of the Choroideremia Research Foundation. Choroideremia is caused by a genetic defect of the X-Chromosome, and typically only males suffer the full effects of complete blindness, while females are carriers of the disease. There is currently no cure, but a Gene Therapy treatment is now in Human Clinical Trials in the U.S. The LVWC will be presenting Mr. Hartman with a donation for his organization. For more information: www.curechm.org

The LVWC is fortunate to have the support of wonderful women in Lake Vista to help make our group a giving and active part of the community.

"The manner of giving is worth more than the gift."

-Pierre Corneille



Zee Van Norman

A R T I S T

Our featured artist of this quarterly *Lake Vista News* was born into an extraordinarily creative family, which nurtured and encouraged her passion for drawing and art. The visual arts became their focus and concentration with single-mindedness of purpose. Her mother was an accomplished portrait artist and studied with Monsieur Gallé in the French Quarter in the early 20th century; her father was a master of pastels in addition to being an avid SYC sailor. Her sister Anne Scheurich, is a renowned portrait artist in New Orleans, and among many notables, painted Archbishop Francis Schulte's portrait in the St. Louis Cathedral, while her sister Elizabeth, is a photographic artist residing in Mandeville. The one son of the family, Paul Ferchaud, who splits his and his family's time in New Orleans and Honolulu, does not paint, but will be providing the organization for a family artistic retrospective in memory of their dad on the occasion of his 100th birthday later this year.

The icing on the artistic cake belongs to husband, Ted Van Norman, who creates in oils, and is a symbiotic complement to his wife, and **resident Lake Vista artist, Zelime Van Norman**. Zee, as her family and friends call her, became immersed in art at an early age in what has turned out to be, a lifelong passion and interest. She studied art at LSU, and felt it was just an extension of her every day life...“she was around art all of the time.” Her neighborhood focus was initiated by former Lake Vista Garden Club President, Liz deBoisblanc, when Liz requested that Zee take charge of the President's Book...a creative volume that reflected the highlights and accomplishments of her term. Zee took her charge to heart, and “has continued to delight the Presidents of the Lake Vista Garden Club with her magic every month by her pen and ink and watercolor drawings of Lake Vista's gardens and flowers since 1997. Though not the only medium she has mastered, pen and ink seems to be her favorite in this setting. “

Zee grew up on Tern Street and moved to Lark Street with her family in 1984. She has made countless contributions to the arts community, the Lake Vista neighborhood, and the many residents who are lucky enough to have her as a devoted friend. “You color our world, Zee!”



Painting Left:
by Zee's dad,
Faurie Ferchaud



Painting Right:
by Zee's husband,
Ted Van Norman





Lake Vista Garden Club News

The Lake Vista Garden Club welcomed the season at its annual holiday party on Dec. 1 at the beautifully decorated home of Sarah Junius.

Members enjoyed a delicious lunch, a silent auction and a parade of prizes.

The Club has been active in maintaining and improving the beauty of the Lake Vista neighborhood. Recently, the three Mediterranean palm trees planted in the Spanish Fort Boulevard were pruned and restored to their original shape. The Garden Club also maintains

Lake Vista's signs and flower beds, among other projects, and sponsors neighborhood activities, such as the spring B-B-Que and Easter Egg Hunt (March 25).

The Lake Vista Garden Club meets on the first Friday of each month.

New members are always welcome; for information, contact Debbie Buchler at dbuchler2@cox.net.

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Lake Vista Tree Reforestation Plan

While at first glance, it may appear that Lake Vista's tree canopy is substantial, the reality is that Lake Vista has suffered major tree loss especially since Hurricane Katrina. We all know that trees increase property value and are esthetically pleasing but there is more. According to Susan Burley, founder of Sustain our Urban Landscape (SOUL NOLA), "trees are critical to helping manage storm water because they drink it up, thereby keeping it out of the vulnerable storm water drainage system". She goes on to say that New Orleans is the most deforested city in the United States and the City can accommodate a million more trees than we currently have.

To address this issue, the Lake Vista Garden Club is promoting an opportunity for property owners to buy a tree(s) for their property at a volume price discount. We have negotiated with Roussel Outdoors, a licensed and insured contractor to plant a selection of trees especially for Lake Vista. The guidelines are as follows:

1. Each tree installed will be approximately 8-10' tall or a 45 gallon size container.
2. Cost of \$355 includes the site prep work, tree installation, staking, watering bag, and mulch. Checks made payable to the installer.
3. Trees must be planted in accordance with property restrictions and proper permits, if required.
 - A. Trees planted on park/lane servitude will require an Orleans Non-Flood Asset permit. (within approximately 15' from center of lane sidewalk)
 - B. Trees planted on the street side servitude will require a Park & Parkways permit. (We will help determine if you need a permit from Parkways)
 - C. All permits are free.
 - D. Trees planted on your lot do not require a permit.
4. Utility markers will be provided by installer.
5. Once you decide to purchase tree(s) you will work with the contractor as to a good placement of the tree(s).
6. Trees will be planted in January-February.
7. Property owners will be responsible for watering the tree, essential for the first year.

This is an incredible opportunity to contribute to not only the beauty of Lake Vista for now and future generations but most importantly contribute to Lake Vista's green infrastructure.

Interested? To receive information on the 13 trees selected and permit forms, or to ask specific questions about the project, contact: jackie@jackieshrees.com or babsmollere@gmail.com or call Patricia Fullmer 388-9972.

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2018 LVPOA MEMBERSHIP

The Lake Vista Property Owners Association Board would like to wish you a happy and healthy New Year! Since April of 2017, when the new board members were elected, our primary mission has been to grow LVPOA membership and to get more of our neighbors involved in our community. Our membership grew for the first time in a while in 2017 and we are hoping to grow again in 2018.

The Board works hard to make Lake Vista a more desirable place to live and to raise a family, but we need your help! Your board is working hard on the projects below:

- Designing and implementing neighborhood beautification plans.
- Inventorying the live oaks in the parks so that we can get them registered nationally and get funds for their care and maintenance.
- Work closely with the Lake Vista Garden Club to maintain the plants in the common areas.
- Continue to improve the value and ease of use of our neighborhood website, www.goLVPOA.com
- Host social activities for you to get out and meet your neighbors.
- Most importantly, we plan to continue to aggressively enforce our building restrictions, and all property owners can help us by acting as the "eyes and ears" of the Association.

Please consider joining the LVPOA by mailing your \$50 dues to: Lake Vista Property Owners Association, P.O. Box 24430, New Orleans, LA 70124. You can also pay online at our website www.goLVPOA.com

We want Lake Vista to continue to be an admirable place to live and your membership and support makes a huge difference. Thank you in advance for your support!

LVPOA NEIGHBORHOOD Halloween Party



Thank you to all of our neighbors who joined us for the Lake Vista Halloween Party and a special thank you to Stephanie Hillferty for sponsoring the event. To say the event was a success is an understatement. We had a large turnout from Disney Princesses, Peter Pan and even Lake Vista Attacking Squirrels! There were many activities for all age groups including a face painter, bounce house and a piñata. Please consider joining us for the King Cake Party on Sunday, January 7, 2018. Bring your favorite King Cake to share with your neighbors and friends.

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LVPOA partnership with NFPAMA Progress Report

By Michael Moffitt

As we move into 2018 it is valuable and fun to look at how far we have come in 2017. We struggled for the entire year of 2016 to get access to plans for new and remodeled residences so that we could prevent violations of restrictions before they were permitted. Early last year we began receiving these plans and engaging in a dialog with the Levee Board prior to their approval of permit applications. This began a process of discussions and debate about how the restrictions have and have not been enforced in the past, and how they should be enforced in the future. Several of the homes built or begun in 2017 were approved before this process, but in considering the plans we have reviewed, NFPAMA and LVPOA have consistently spoken with one voice.

We have also seen an increase in participation from our members and neighbors in alerting us to unpermitted construction. We need to press the city more aggressively to act on these notices and are working through Peter Waggoner in Councilman Brossett's office to do so. We still have many ways to improve our neighborhood including drainage issues, care for the parks and lanes and continued communications with new residents and Architects about what makes Lake Vista special.

The greatest asset we have going forward is an open and productive working partnership with the Non-Flood Levee Board, including their Executive Director Jesse Noel and his staff. In his article below, Jesse shares his accomplishments and goals with all of our residents so that you may better appreciate the value of this partnership.

Lake Vista Residents,

I would like to take this opportunity to share how our team has been working with your leadership to help improve the area you call home.

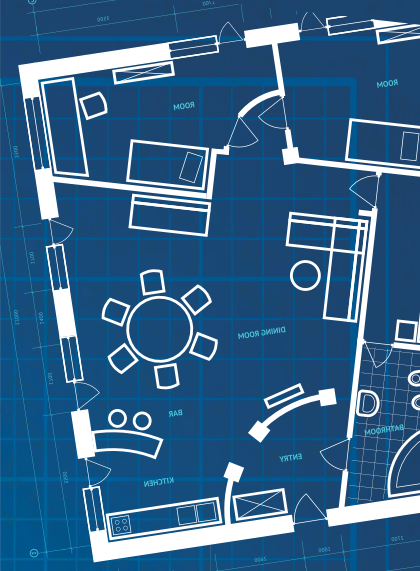
Upon my arrival in March of this year, it was apparent that the LVPOA was eager to partner in the restriction review process and to that end, we have included key members of the association on all review applications submitted in Lake Vista. We have worked together to clarify review criteria and produced some definitions that accommodate the intent of the restrictions and clarify the interpretation the NFPAMA utilizes for reviews. Following community requests, we are implementing changes to our Letters of No Objection and Location Agreements to include language ensuring compliance with the building restrictions and guaranteeing lakeshore subdivision residents access during events respectively.

We have worked together to ensure that access servitudes as well as the parks remain open and free of obstructions to ensure access for both residents and maintenance personnel. We are working with the NFPAMA Subdivision and Recreation Committee to issue new contracts for turf maintenance throughout the NFPAMA properties to increase quality.

It has been my pleasure to begin learning about the lakefront communities and to attempt to refine the processes that govern the maintenance of the community's aesthetic. I hope to continue to build on the partnerships we have developed and to ensure that the Lakeshore Area subdivisions get the services they deserve from the Non-Flood Protection Asset Management Authority.

The Non-Flood Protection Asset Management Authority is responsible for operating and maintaining the non-flood protection assets of the Orleans Levee District which include the Orleans Marina, the Lake Vista Community Center, the Lakefront Airport, the South Shore Harbor Marina, the New Basin Canal Park, the Lakeshore Drive Park and Recreational Facilities, and the neighborhood parks associated with the Lakeshore, Lake Vista, Lake Terrace and Lake Oaks subdivisions. NFPAMA membership includes: Wilma Heaton – Chair, Eugene Green – Vice-Chair, Thomas Fierke – Secretary, Anthony Richard, Carla Major, Chris Morvant, Dawn Hebert, Greg Ernst, Leila Eames, Pat Meadowcroft, Rodger Wheaton, Roy Arrigo, Sean Bruno, Stan Brien, William Settoon Jr.

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