

Lake Carmel Subdivision and Improvement District

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LAKE CARMEL NEWS and SUBDIVISION REMINDERS

Help Us Keep Our Subdivision Beautiful and Safe



The Lake Carmel Subdivision is a Residential and NOT a Commercial neighborhood. It is a subdivision where Homeowners pay, though minimal, annual dues, and where ALL residents are required to adhere to the Subdivision's legally binding rules, regulations, bylaws and Act of Restrictions.

With that being said, Car repair shops or any other type of businesses are NOT allowed to be operated in this Subdivision. In addition, Abandoned, Old, Auctioned, Wrecked, Inoperable Vehicles, Vehicles without License Plates, Oversized Trucks, Business/Work Trucks, Trailers, or Buses, and any of these Vehicles parking on vacant lots and/or blocking Street Traffic, Mailboxes, Homes of other residence, are a VIOLATION of the Lake Carmel Subdivision Act of Restrictions (See Article One, #9) and are NOT welcome on any of the Streets of this Subdivision.

While this is a repeat message, to those of you who are continuing to ignore these rules and violate the Lake Carmel Act of Restrictions, BEWARE – the tow trucks are on the way to take these vehicles away, and the penalties will be at YOUR expense.



Also, it has been reported that homeowners are renting out/short term leasing their homes to the public for parties, weddings, and other social events and activities. This is unacceptable and NOT Allowable in this Subdivision.

Disturbing the Peace - Loud Music

Loud Music and DJ's playing music at volumes that can be heard for blocks throughout the Subdivision is also unacceptable, disturbs the peace of nearby neighbors and is most definitely unallowable in the Lake Carmel Subdivision and in the City of New Orleans.

“It's important to be aware of the New Orleans Noise Ordinance, which restricts noise levels above conversation level (60 dB) from being heard in a neighbor's home and prohibits amplified noise between 9 p.m. and 10 a.m. Sunday–Thursday, and between 10:30 p.m. and 10 a.m. on Friday and Saturday.”

If any residence complains to us about their peace being disturbed by LOUD MUSIC, the Lake Carmel Security will go to the

Violator's home and requests that the Music be lowered to a level that cannot be heard by those outside of that home, and if the Violator does not comply with our Security, the New Orleans Police will be called to shut it down and take further action. Anyone who ignores or continuously violates the Lake Carmel Subdivision's LOUD MUSIC rule and the City of New Orleans' Ordinance will be notified in writing that further action, including penalties, will be enforced.

Lake Carmel is not a ghetto, a project, or a dumping ground where every and anything goes. We have rules and they must be adhered to by everyone who resides in it.

Lake Carmel is a neighborhood where the majority of the people who live here, care about their environment and live here because they want to feel that the quality of their life and their environment is upheld, important, respected, and is a priority.

Lake Carmel Security

The Lake Carmel Subdivision is being secured by Vigilant Protective Services, Eric Lyles, owner. Security can be reached at **(504) 945-3725**. Also, when you experience Criminal activities, i.e. child abuse, domestic violence, home invasions, or any other emergencies, immediately **call 911** or the New Orleans Police Department (7th District) at 504-821-2222 If you see something that does not look right, SAY SOMETHING!

Care for your Dog and for your Neighbor

Your Dogs are not to roam the Subdivision freely as they see fit. There are people who are afraid of dogs and could be attacked by them. If this should happen, YOU, the dog owner, is responsible for any damages caused, i.e. paying doctor's bill, etc. Also, when you walk your dogs (must be on a leash) and they Poop, YOU must Scoop. It's the law.

Garbage Collection



Garbage/Trash Collection day is TUESDAYS. Please, please do not leave your Garbage cans out on the curbs, on the sidewalks or in the streets after the Garbage is collected on Tuesday. This is very unsightly and creates an unwanted haven for dogs, cats and other animals.

Dangerous Heat Wave

Our summer days have been very hot with rain almost every day, somewhere.

Here are a few tips to follow during extreme Heat:

Stay cool

- Stay inside in air conditioning.
- Go to air-conditioned places like a library, NORDC rec center, or mall.
- Stay out of the sun and wear a hat. Take breaks often.
- Check on family, friends, and neighbors.
- Don't leave your pets outside or in a car.

Stay hydrated

- Drink plenty of water, even if you don't feel thirsty.
- Avoid alcohol and sugary drinks.
- Remind others to drink water.

Stay informed

- Stay informed about weather conditions.
- Know the symptoms of heat illness.

Hurricane Season (June 1 – November 30)



Hurricane season in New Orleans officially lasts from June 1st to November 30th. The most active period for hurricanes in New Orleans is generally from August through early October. During this time, the city faces increased risks of high winds, heavy rain, tornadoes, flooding, and potential power outages. It's crucial for New Orleans residents to be prepared, especially with the city's vulnerability to flooding and power outages.

NOAA, the federal agency in charge of weather and climate predictions, now expects 13 to 18 named storms, five to nine of which could become hurricanes, including two to five major hurricanes. The previous ranges were 13 to 19 named storms, six to 10 hurricanes and three to five major hurricanes.

The most active period for hurricanes impacting New Orleans is typically from mid-August to early October, with peak activity often seen in August and September.

Essential Tips to Prepare for Hurricane Season

1. Create a Disaster Plan: Know your evacuation routes and have a designated meeting place for family members.
2. Build an Emergency Kit: This should include first aid supplies, bottled water, non-perishable food, flashlights, and batteries.
3. Secure Your Property: Clear out gutters, trim trees, and secure loose outdoor items that can be lifted by strong winds.

4. Review Your Insurance: Make sure you understand what your policy covers before a hurricane strikes.

Surviving the hurricane season requires more than just understanding when hurricane season is and how to prepare your home for it. It's about year-round preparedness, taking proactive steps, and fostering a mindset of readiness. While individuals can do everything correctly and properly prepare for a hurricane, the power of these natural disasters can still cause catastrophic damage.



HURRICANE PREP WEEK TIP

Develop an evacuation plan, and assemble supplies.

 Find out if you live in an evacuation zone

 Plan several routes

 Plan for your pets

 Keep gas tank full

Pack these in your supply bag:

 Food & water

 Medicine & prescriptions

 Radio, batteries, phone chargers

 Cash on hand



Start taking care of your own at eafrelief.org.



Lake Carmel Volunteers Needed

In our efforts to improve the quality of life in our Subdivision in terms of beautification, security, safety and overall residents' satisfaction, we need YOU to help us by getting involved and active in YOUR Homeowners' Association. You can do this by becoming a Block Captain, Chairing or becoming an active member of one of our Committees, or just helping out where your expertise lies. In whatever way you want to help, we welcome your assistance. For us to grow and be all that we can be in the Lake Carmel Subdivision, it takes us **ALL** working together and not just calling to complain about what is not being done or when there is a problem on your street or in your immediate area.

With that being said, if you, your family member or your neighbor (who may not be on our email list) are interested in volunteering for the betterment of OUR Subdivision, please send us an email (lakecarmelnola@gmail.com) and let us know. You may also contact Mrs. Deborah Cato, Treasurer and Block Captain Chair at dcato86@gmail.com or Mr. Bertrand Brickham, Commissioner at bbrickham@aol.com or 504-458-3849. We look forward to hearing from you and for implementing some of your creative ideas.

Grass cutting and well-manicured lawns!



Just a note to Thank all of You who have been keeping your grass cut and lawns manicured in spite of the rainy days and heated temperatures. We see you, appreciate you, and thank you for caring about the way you and our surroundings look to others.

Gardens of the Month

Gardens of the Month signs will be placed on the lawns of those homes that have been deemed the “best of the month” by the Beautification Committee, chaired by Mrs. Talmadge Mead. Will your Garden be next to receive this public recognition?

Remember to VOTE!

It is Critical and Necessary that YOU exercise YOUR Right to VOTE in both Local and National Elections, especially at this time. “By Voting, we add our Voice to the Chorus that forms Opinions and the basis for Actions. Not Voting is Not a Protest, it is a Surrender.”