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The Board Report

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A classic true story for the Holiday season is printed on the back of this newsletter



Looks like Santa is checking his list for his Annual Night Ride...



Season's Greetings from the Chattahoochee Landing Homeowners Association Board of Directors

New trees have been planted in the front entrance along the right side as you drive in. The replacement trees are a result of the Chattahoochee Landing Homeowners Association Board of Directors (CLHOA BOD) working with the City of Duluth on compliance concerns in regards to the commercial areas bordering our community. We are continuing to work with the City of Duluth for more improvements.



January 25, 2009 (Sunday) – 5:00 p.m.

Mark your calendars for the Chattahoochee Landing Homeowners Association's Annual Meeting. The meeting will be held at the City of Duluth's City Hall building located in Downtown Duluth's town green. The meeting will be called to order at 5pm ET.

Please submit your nominations to the CLHOA BOD by dropping them in the HOA mail box at 3410 Berwick South Drive, or by nominating them at the annual meeting. Now is a good time for you to volunteer to serve your community.

Forms for the annual meeting will be placed on the website soon and we encourage all residents to attend. However, if you are unable to attend but would still like to vote, a Proxy form is included in this mailing. This can be filled out in advance and dropped off in the HOA mailbox noted above and the treasurer will place a vote for you unless you would like to specify someone else on the form.



Food Drive – December 20th and 21st, 2008

The Board will be coordinating a Holiday food drive. The food will be donated to Hands of Christ which is a local Duluth Cooperative Ministry. You may drop off donations (non-perishable food or personal care items) at 3410 Berwick South Drive on December 20th and 21st, 2009 from 8:30 – 5:30.



39 more votes needed to pass neighborhood amendments. PLEASE vote today!



Yes, Virginia, There is a Santa Claus

By Francis P. Church, first published in *The New York Sun* in 1897.

We take pleasure in answering thus prominently the communication below, expressing at the same time our great gratification that its faithful author is numbered among the friends of *The Sun*:

Dear Editor —

I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, "If you see it in *The Sun*, it's so." Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?

Virginia O'Hanlon

Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. They do not believe except they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which childhood fills the world would be extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies. You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if you did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived could tear apart. Only faith, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

No Santa Claus! Thank God! he lives and lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay 10 times 10,000 years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

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PROXY

The undersigned member of Chattahoochee Homeowners Association, Inc. (herein "CHOA") hereby appoints _____ or in the event no person is named herein, the Treasurer of CHOA as my true and lawful proxy, with full power of substitution, to exercise the entire vote of the undersigned on all matters on which the undersigned is entitled to vote at the annual meeting to be held at **Duluth City Hall on January 25, 2009** beginning at 5:00 p.m. (or any adjournments thereof). This proxy shall only be valid for the purpose of voting at said meeting and shall be automatically revoked upon the attendance by the undersigned in person at said meeting or by written notice to CHOA at or prior to said meeting. This proxy supersedes and revokes all previous proxies.

Such proxy is authorized to vote in his/her discretion on any matter duly brought before the meeting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed this proxy this _____ day of December, 2008 or January, 2009 (circle month).

Signature of Owner

Name of Owner

Address of Property