

## Homeowner's Association



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Please feel free to contact any board member if needed.

### **News from the Board**

The CBHOA has had a busy year. We have worked hard with our landscaping crew and have gotten the weeds under control in the common areas. Please continue to do your part to help contain the weeds on individual properties; your weeds will soon become your neighbors if you do not stay productive to prevent their growth. Our goal is to maintain an attractive and orderly subdivision. Even though fall is upon us, our climate demands us to mow for a few more months.

A few of our board members will be passing the torch to other members, and we would like to take a moment to thank them for all the devotion and hard work they provided for us.

•Gwen Rideout-Enforcement Chairman, •Larry Rideout – Co-Enforcement Chairman.

•The new Enforcement Chairman will be John Paul Jones

If you have a question, suggestion or idea that you would like to submit to the HOA we are looking for your thoughts! Please email them to: cottonbayhoa@yahoo.com

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### Cook's Corner

Gooey Chocolaty Cookies
Submitted by: Patricia J

Prep time: 2 hours 15 min Cook time: 10- 15 min

### Ingredients:

1 box Duncan Hines Devil's Food cake Mix

1 stick (1/2 cup) butter

1/4 teaspoon vanilla extract

1 package Cream Cheese at room temp (8oz. pkg) (about 4 hours is room temp)

1 egg

1/2 Package Reese's peanut butter Chips

Powdered sugar (DO NOT MIX THIS IN THE DOUGH)

### Directions:

Combine ALL ingredients Except Reese's chips and powdered sugar. Mix with electric mixer until well blended. When mixed stir in Reese's chips. Chill dough for 2 hours. AFTER 2 hours take dough out of ice box, roll into balls (about the size of a walnut). When you have the cookies rolled into (walnut sized) balls ROLL them in powdered sugar. Bake on un-greased cookie sheet in a preheated 350 degree F oven for 10 minutes if still to gooey in the middle cook for another 3 minutes only otherwise will be to done. Dust with more powdered sugar when completely cooled.



If you have a tasty treat you would like published please email cottonbayhoa@yahoo.com (subject line Cooks Corner)

# Visit the Cotton Bay HOA Website at: www.cottonbayhoa.com Find out when the Board is meeting. Catch up on the latest Community news. View all the CBHOA documents including the Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, CC & R's and the amendments. You can also view Board

meeting minutes and

access all of the

CBHOA forms.

### You're Money at Work

Diane Urban Treasurer

There is no significant change to report concerning the financial condition. We continue to operate within the parameters of our budget. Please check out the CBHOA website for a full breakdown of the budget.

### **Outdoor Building Structures**

Please visit the website to print your modification form and contact the modification chairman for any outdoor building structures. Example: Covered Patios, Pools, storage sheds, etc...





### Board Notes (Unofficial) John Paul Jones

- Eight board members were present.
- A motion passed to improve our neighborhood security. We no longer use IPSC as our security company. We feel Costal Security is a better fit to insure the well-being of our community.
- Keep in mind the new protocols regarding yard maintenance and general maintenance. This includes the uncontained trash areas, edging along sidewalks and driveways, waste cans out of view, parking and recreational vehicles etc... This also includes fences and mail boxes. This is all necessary to keep our subdivision attractive and aid with keeping our property values up, as well.
- This is a reminder to keep Emergency contact information up to date. It is important to have phone numbers, out of state addresses, and email addresses on file so we know who to reach in case you are not able to be here yourself. Please help us with this very important matter. Please send updated information to: cottonbayhoa@yahoo.com with the header of "Emergency Contact information".

  Thank you all to have already done this.
- Also, please keep the board informed of any rental properties or vacant properties. This will help our security company with misdirected violations.
- Hurricane season is here and many helpful tips can be found on the CBHOA website.
- It's almost that time of the year for dues.
   After easement of the budget and reserves,
   CBHOA dues will remain \$250 for 2014.
   Pay early to avoid late fees.



# Need to Know Non Contained Rubbish

There are six (6) Non Contained Rubbish drop off sites located in our neighborhood.

### Things that are **Not Allowed:**

TV's, Computers, Appliances, household garbage, uncontained glass - including mirrors; Tires or Landscaper/Contractor debris.

Please contact one of the following Recycling Centers below for disposal of the Items listed above.

Wise Recycling LLC 512 N McKenzie St. Foley, Al 251-943-4334 www.wiserecycling.com Heilmeier's Auto Salvage 402 Hickory St. Foley, Al. 251-943-8680 Waste Management 18110 Eureka Dr. Foley, Al. 800-972-2631

### Handyman Corner

Pest Control - Building - Repairs

Household Pest Control 2125 N McKenzie St Foley, AL 36535 (251) 943-7874 www.householdpest.com (Ask for Arren)

J.D. Adams Contracting
P.O. Box 1038
Orange Beach, Al 36561
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If you have a contractor, pest control; etc... that you recommend and would like to share please send info to cottonbayhoa.yahoo.com

### Family Announcements

Please notify the editor of the update of any family loss, addition, or news you would like published.

Email:cottonbayhoa@yahoo.com



### Fall & Winter Seasonal Maintenance Guide

Certain home maintenance tasks should be completed each season to prevent structural damage, save energy, and keep all your home's systems running properly.

Get your heating system in order. Programmable thermostats are important, as they can help save around \$180 a year on your energy bills. If you have a heat pump, make sure you install a programmable thermostat especially designed for heat pumps. Programmable thermostats for heat pumps are specially designed to keep these systems working at peak efficiency. Schedule your fall HVAC checkup

### Side Note:

Watching out for your neighbors keeps property values up while keeping crime down. Any questions send an email Titled "Neighborhood watch"



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promptly; you can expect to pay \$50 to \$100 for a heating tune-up. Make sure your HVAC professional checks all electrical connections, lubricates any moving parts if necessary, and inspects the condensate drain and trap. Inspect your furnace filters monthly and change them whenever they are dirty. Inspect grates and return ducts regularly and clean them out with a vacuum cleaner brush.

Clean your gutters. Debris in your gutters can easily divert water onto the roof or siding, setting the stage for mold and rot and dramatically shortening the lifespan of shingles and paint. Inspect and clean your gutters in the late fall after leaves have dropped.

**Put away lawn and garden equipment**. Run your lawn mower until it's out of gas, if possible; if you leave gas in the tank over the winter, it can degrade and lose some of its combustion ability. Worse, gas can react with the air in the tank and oxidize; forming deposits that affect the machine's performance; worse still, moisture can condense inside the tank and cause rust that blocks the fuel lines.

Check weather-stripping and caulk. Open all your exterior doors and check the weather-stripping; if yours is crumbly or has gaps, replace it. Remove the old weather-stripping with a utility knife and clean the surface with household cleaner, getting as much of the old debris and adhesive off as possible. When the surface is dry, apply peel-and-stick foam weather-stripping. Start at the top of the door frame and work your way down, being careful not to stretch the foam strip, which can weaken the adhesive. Inspect windows and doors for any gaps between the trim and the exterior siding that allow air to penetrate from the outside; these gaps should be caulked. Be sure to scrape out any crumbling old caulk or paint — applying new caulk over old is fine, but first get rid of loose chunks and remove any grit with household cleaner.

Spending a few hours here and there on home maintenance tasks helps you spot developing problems quickly and prevent costly repairs.



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