

**Clipper Estates Master Homeowners' Association, Inc.**  
**1299 Cutter Cove**  
**Slidell, LA 70458**

December 1, 2008

Re: HOA 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2009 Newsletter

Hello and welcome to all new residents! We have been very busy preparing for the new year with the 2009 budget; Operating Plan; and ballots for election of new HOA Board Members and Parcel Representatives. Most of you here know how this works, but for the sake of the newer residents, here is how it breaks down.

The general membership will elect three new board members this year. One Director will represent the "Deep Water Units"; one Director will represent the "Lake Units"; and one will represent the "Multi-Family Units – The Palms". Where you live will depend on what ballot you will receive in this mailing. Each Ballot will have a recommendation and space to add a name if so desired.

For election of a parcel representative, again you will receive a ballot corresponding to your phase. Please consider the recommendation listed on the ballot, or you may add the name of a person you would like to nominate. Please talk to them first before you nominate them. You can nominate yourself if you like!! The HOA welcomes any and all volunteers and help!! Make your choices and send all ballots back to the office as soon as possible.

Directors and Parcel Reps can also be nominated from the floor at the general meeting. All ballots will be collected and an announcement will be made shortly thereafter of the results.

**\*\*Be advised that anyone in arrears with their homeowners' dues and/or have current compliance issues will not be able to vote or be nominated for either a Director or Parcel Rep position. All mailed ballots must be post marked no later than December 8, 2008.**

Also enclosed is the Operating Plan touched on in the previous newsletter. Please review the Plan, as the Board of Directors along with the author of the Plan, Ken Diamond, have spent many hours formulating what they believe to be an important step forward for the CEMHOA's future success. The HOA is also in need of committee members for the Finance and Maintenance/Capital Planning Committees, as referenced in the Plan. Please take a few moments to consider working on either of these two committees. It would not require a tremendous amount of time, but your help would be invaluable!!

The general membership meeting of the CEMHOA will be held Tuesday, December 9, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. at the Northshore Harbor Center. Issues discussed in this and the previous newsletter will be discussed at that meeting. All are invited to attend. Please make sure you are current with your dues, as anyone in arrears will not be recognized with any questions.

Enclosed in this mailing is information received from the Parish at their meeting on 11/22/08. Please fill out the surveys attached and return them to the office. We will forward the information to the Parish. The HOA rep. has also been networking with other waterfront HOAs in the area, on issues relative to waterfront living. Of utmost importance of course is storm surge/flooding concerns, and the flood protection projects The Corps Engineers are working on. Letters/E-mails are being circulated among the HOA reps. and hopefully a meeting will be scheduled soon on this topic. As information is received, we will pass it on to all residents.

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On a more personal note, **The Slidell Photography Club** recent named **CAMELLA DIMITRE, Photographer of the Month**. Her "Wood Duck" picture taken at City Park was on display during the month of October at the Slidell Library on Robert Blvd. **Camella** is a resident and the Parcel Rep for Vela Cove. **CONGRATULATIONS CAMELLA!!!!** A recent reception was held at the Slidell Museum where much of Camella's photographic works were on display. **GOOD SHOW!!**

Any resident interest in having news published in the quarterly newsletters, please present the information in writing, by mail or e-mail, before the publishing of each quarterly newsletter. Dates: December 1 for the first quarter; March 1 for the second; June 1 for the third; and September 1 for the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of each year. If you might be interested in writing a newsletter, let us know that as well.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the Parcel Reps for their time and work in 2008. All but one (he moved), agreed to continue in their positions for 2009. We can still use more reps.

Thank you for your time and hope to see everyone at the general meeting on December 9!!

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