EAST SHORELINES

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President's Message

Dear Neighbors,

Hope everyone enjoyed their summer. As the newly elected president of the East Shore Owners Association, I want to express my thanks and gratitude to Keith Thompson, Katy Clarke and Charles Holstead for their invaluable service during their terms. We have big shoes to fill.

I have a very busy year so far. Particularly during the past three months, I was feeling overwhelmed. Our house in East Shore was finished and we started moving into the new house in June. My younger daughter graduated from the University of South Carolina and moved to Indiana to start her new job. I had my knee (left) replacement surgery done on July 14 and have recuperated at home several weeks before returning to my job at the headquarters of Michelin in Greenville recently. Then after a short break I will have my other (right) knee replacement surgery done in November this year.

When Lyn Hamilton asked me to consider being a board member of the East Shore Owners Association this year, I told her I would give it a trial. I have always been impressed with so many volunteers here that have offered their service and I felt I have to do my part. But I warned Lyn that I have a full time job at Michelin that involves daily commute of over two hours and will have two upcoming surgeries on my knees this year. Besides, I have never been served at any capacity like this before. Obviously, she did not take my warnings serious. Or, she must be desperate to find some new blood to help. All kidding aside, I will do my best to serve this owners association, but I need help from everyone. I came to this country thirty five years ago as a teacher in Hong Kong with a degree in Chinese Studies. I returned to college here to obtain an economics/accounting degree and a MBA in international business. I had overcome a lot after coming to this country. Thankfully, my parents and friends kept encouraging me to do my best even though they have no clue what I could do in such a totally new environment.

As the president of the East Shore Owners Association, I have a lot to learn and need your help and encouragement more than ever in order to serve our association well. I am always impressed by the volunteer work of our neighbors and have discovered a lot of unsung heroes that have done so much work to save money and preserve capital for the association as well as to make our subdivision a better place to live. Please continue to offer your cooperation and support. We have a very capable and energetic Board of Directors and are sure that Steve, Mary Anne and Pat will do an excellent job to serve this association. In the upcoming weeks, we may tap your talents to help in some functions so we can be more effective. Thank you for your cooperation.

Best regards, Jeff Li