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To the Heron Bay Community:

Heron Bay is a beautiful lake community with many amenities for the enjoyment of its residents: boating, fishing, water recreation, a nice Clubhouse with boat launch, walking trails, the Uwharrie Forest, club activities, and, of course, the lake with its awesome sunsets. That's exactly what drew us here. My name is Elaine Deese. Steve Hall and I built our retirement home on Whisper Lake Drive and we have enjoyed every minute in this beautiful environment since moving here in summer 2009.

Somehow I managed to get on the Heron Bay Social Committee soon after our move and accepted the chairmanship late last year. I received a very warm reception from the community and started recruiting Social Committee members immediately. We now have five dedicated members on the committee: Alecia Scally, Barbara Bynum, Patti Maher, Dina Lehning, Kathy Humble (joining us in April) and Greg Savoie, Board Liaison.

Two successful events were planned by your committee: a Holiday Gathering hosted by residents last December and a Mardi Gras celebration with Louisiana cuisine, dancing (yes, we did roll up the rug!), entertainment with the John Balisque Group and an in-home concert with guitarist Vicki Genfan in February. Many, many thanks go to you, the residents and property owners, for your participation.

Your committee has listened to requests for a regular activity. We have scheduled the <u>second Friday of</u> <u>each month</u> as "TGIF Friday" at the Clubhouse with activities that you, the property owners, will identify and enjoy. Activities might include games, movies (popcorn anyone?), cards, karaoke, musical jam session, dancing... you name it, you enjoy it. Come with your ideas and bring a snack/beverage to share. To get the ball rolling, our first TGIF Friday will be on Friday, March 12, at 7:00 PM.

Your Social Committee is busy planning a socially-active year, so get prepared for about 4 major events with invitations and RSVPs, additional in-home concerts with RSVPs, and other activities based on your preferences. Please check the calendar on our website at <u>www.heronbay.org</u> for scheduled events. Let us know your ideas at <u>4u2contact@heronbay.org</u> and tell us what fun events and activities you would like to have. We will do our best to plan activities for everyone.

We have provided communication info that allows property owners to reach us. **Now, we need to communicate with you.** Our invitations are sent via email and many of the property owner's email addresses are invalid or undeliverable. To ensure receipt of your event invitations, **please update your profile with a valid email address at** <u>www.heronbay.org</u>. We don't want you to miss anything!

Looking forward to a socially-active year! See you at the lake!

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