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## SHIFT HAPPENS ...

Most people do not like change, but shift happens. How you handle it is the key to your success and happiness. More pertinent to CCGA, your attitude is and has been the key to successfully restoring and sustaining CCG as a great neighborhood.

Many of you within CCG have had some "bricks" thrown at you. Obviously, the one big brick was Katrina. But most of you, rather than focus on your bumps and bruises, have taken those bricks and built a strong foundation upon which to shift all the negative into positive. You have defeated adversity, you have rebuilt your home, you have rebuilt friendships .... you have become a true "neighbor". Through its "Operation Hope," CCGA brought the basics back to CCG, the rest of the great attributes of CCG have developed through your efforts. CCGA continues to protect your quality of life and property, but it has been truly your courage and attitude which has brought this great neighborhood back.

Please consider: (1) DON'T BE SELFISH - help a neighbor, help with the cutting of lawns and neutral grounds, continue being a watchful eye, volunteer during clean up days and fundraisers, participate in CCGA events .... make us a stronger community. (2) COMMIT - Commit yourself to this City, CCG, your family and yourself. Service is a very rewarding endeavor, make a positive difference in all those areas. (3) Finally, ENCOURAGE - Encourage others, encourage yourself, and most importantly, encourage action.

So yes, it is good to allow shift to happen. Change can be very positive and can be progressive. It is not automatic, however, and is contingent upon our response. "The best way to predict the future is to invent it." - A.K. It has been an honor and privilege to serve you .... stay the course!

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