

Hedge Clippings



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To reserve the Clubhouse
Contact Jackie at 610-269-3873

Message from the President

By Dave Durofchalk

Are you civic-minded? Do you enjoy the amenities that Hedgerow has to offer? Are you pleased with the appearance of the neighborhood, its maintenance, its rules? Do you care how the community is managed or the decisions that are made? Well how about considering running for a position on the Board of Directors? All five seats are open for election. Upstanding, responsible individuals are needed. Is this you, your spouse, or your neighbor? Talk about this on your block and with your neighbors. Decide who will provide good representation for your concerns, in your corner of the block. Step up to the plate!

Job description - the Board meets on a monthly basis, issues are raised, and decisions are made, that's it! Minor amounts of personal time and effort is involved, however, Board membership has its rewards including a sense of pride, ownership, and personal fulfillment, not to mention your household dues are waived for the year! We are in need of a few good men and women. June election season is right around the corner and we will soon be seeking nominations, filling ballots, and counting votes for our 2008 - 2009 Board of Directors. Get your nominations in. Please consider sharing some of your time for the good of your neighborhood and your community.

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Countdown to the June HHA Elections

Michelle Walker is heading up the Election Committee this Spring. Below is the schedule of events:

- On/before May 30th - election notices and questionnaires will be distributed;
- June 13th - deadline for return of nominations and questionnaires;
- June 16th - ballots distributed to homeowners;
- June 23rd - completed ballots due at club house; and
- June 24th - election results announced at HHA meeting.

Upcoming Events: HHA General Meeting Tuesday, May 27, 2008

Financial Report

By Katrina Thack



As of April 29, 2008, the Common Operational Fund balance was \$14,615.08; Townhouse Operational Fund balance was \$20,695.23. The Common Reserve Fund balance was \$28,639.56; Townhouse Reserve Fund balance was \$5,248.07. CDs are held for \$11,243.28, \$11,543.87 and \$11,430.71.

Please note that the HHA statements are now going out on a quarterly basis. This should result in a reduction in postal expenses.

Please Consider Helping Out

Please consider helping out your community by becoming a Board member, block captain or volunteering for one of several committees.

Board of Directors: Nominations and elections will begin in June. Please consider becoming active in your community.

Block Captains: Block captains help distribute the newsletter. We are still looking for block captains for CHATHAM COURT. If interested, please contact Hank Bienkowski at 610-873-8995.

The Architectural Committee:

This committee handles requests for property improvement from residents, considers these changes in the context of the existing structures and makes recommendations to the Board. Ideally this committee would be comprised of one person from the townhouses and one from the individual houses. The Board will work closely to assist anyone interested in reviving this committee.

The Social Committee:

Now that it is warm, it is time to be social. Potential is unlimited. Your ideas are welcome. Join this committee and make it happen.

The Welcoming Committee:

Meet new people moving into our community and help make them feel welcome. Be the person who welcomes and helps orient those who are new in the development.

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Suggestions: Drop off your suggestions at the dues slot or leave a message at the HHA office telephone at (610) 873-1193 (voicemails only) or make them in person at our next General Meeting scheduled May 27, 2008.

Check Out Our Updated Website

Go to <http://hhaonline.com/> for Minutes of our March 25, 2008 General Meeting. Also a map of the community is posted under "bylaws."

Aqua Pennsylvania Rate Increase Update

A settlement has been reached with Aqua Pennsylvania. The settlement terms are summarized below:

- (1) a phase-in to Main Division rates over 6 years (i.e., by the conclusion of the next two rate proceedings);
- (2) an 8% increase over the existing bills for the average customer (4300 gallons/month as defined by Aqua); and
- (3) Hedgerow will not re-litigate the rate equalization issue in future cases (i.e., the phase-in to Main Division rates is now a settled issue).

While we have reached a settlement other aspects of the rate may be ongoing. Only when it is finally settled will we see the final terms in writing.

Please note at the next General Meeting (May 27, 2008) the Board will review the cost to date of fighting the Aqua Pennsylvania rate increase and how to pay for it.

Township Brush Chipping (610) 269-8230.

Remember, East Brandywine Township annually will provide a quarter hour of free chipping and brush removal for every residence in the township. This is usually more than enough time to get the job done. They come to your house before the clock starts. All brush must be placed in front of your house, and not along Hawthorne Drive. If brush were placed on Hawthorne or on common ground, chipping and removal would be a cost to the Association, and ultimately to the residents.

Reconfiguration of Handicap Parking on Wyndham Court

The Board has approved relocating the handicap parking spaces to the northern corner of the Wyndham Court parking lot. One parking spot will be tagged for Unit 13 and the other will be tagged for Unit 14. Currently the only known residents who qualify for handicap parking live in those two units. The Board sincerely hopes that this decision provides satisfaction for those involved, eliminates conflict, and increases the peace and harmony in Wyndham Court.

The Board has made this decision in response to a successful suit to Pennsylvania Human Rights Commission (PHRC) against the Board for maintaining the former (centralized) handicap parking locations.

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Sincere thanks to those who attended the PUC hearing, helped out on Community Clean-up Day, all the committee members, block captains, and all who have volunteered and contributed to our community in so many ways. Our neighborhood and the Hedgerow community is a reflection of the residents and individuals who take time and participate. And I must say that this community is made of some fine individuals and good citizens! Thank you all for a good year! Dave

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Single bed cot, mattress included - \$15.00.

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MOMS CLUB of East Brandywine / Downingtown

Third Tuesday of the Month
9:30 AM to 11:30 AM

Location: Wallace Township Building on Rte 282

Contact: Melinda Bienkowski 610 9873-8995

LOVING MOTHER OF TWO WOULD LOVE TO **BABYSIT YOUR TODDLER AGED CHILD IN MY GUTHRIESVILLE HOME. PLEASE CALL MICHELLE AT 610-269-1131.**

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