

Hedge Clippings



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Contact Jackie at 610-269-3873

Message from the President

By Bernard (BJ) Barrett, President

A new fiscal year has begun and a new Board of Directors has been established. I am privileged to serve as your Board President and will work diligently for you the people of this community. Before deciding to join the Board I visited a few meetings and realized from the outset that these folks (the Board of Directors) were working extremely hard to make Culbertson Run at Hedgerow a better place to live. They are looking at all aspects of life, Social, Physical and the safety of its people. What is sorely missing however, is YOU. The Board works for the people of this community but to function properly and productively it needs your support. I want to urge you (if you haven't done it before, do it NOW) to come to a meeting on occasion, provide us with input as to what you think might be lacking or perhaps needs some change. Become a leader or a committee member. This community belongs to you and it needs you. Won't you please get involved?

As President my vision is for a cohesive community where everyone gets together in some social format from time to time. The Board shares that sentiment and has shared it before I came along. There is some great discussion going on right now regarding a Night at The Reading Phillies, a

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Board of Director's Election Results

For the June 2008 election, 165 of the 176 households were eligible to vote for the board of directors. Thirty-eight ballots, each up to 5 votes, were cast for the following candidates:

Bernard (BJ) Barrett (24 votes), Hank Bienkowski (22 votes), Edward Kokoszka (20 votes), Mike Larkin (24 votes), Jim Mesiti (1 write-in vote) and Kat Thack (31 votes).

Following the June 24, 2008 General Meeting the new Board convened and asked Jim Mesiti to join the Board as a sixth member and Jim agreed. Based upon mutual consent, the officer positions listed on page 2 were agreed upon.

Upcoming Events:

HHA General Meeting: Tuesday, July 22, 2008 8PM

HHA Homeowner Information Update 2008 & a Parent & Teen Survey: July 22, 2008

Financial Report & Treasurer's Message

By Katrina Thack



As of April 29, 2008, the Common Operational Fund balance was \$23,226.87; Townhouse Operational Fund balance was \$12,489.33. The Common Reserve Fund balance was \$28,639.56; Townhouse Reserve Fund balance was \$7,251.95. CDs are held for \$11,372.07, \$11,580.19 and \$11,481.64.

HHA statements are now going out on a quarterly basis in order to reduce our postal expenses. The Association fee is \$46.00 for single homes and \$70.00 for townhomes. It is due by midnight of the 8th of every month. Anything that is paid after that will be assessed a late fee of \$2.50. Checks are collected once a month on the 9th.

If the address printed on your check is not the address you are paying the dues for please write the property address on the memo line. This assures that the proper home is credited and prevents a delay in deposit if we don't have to mail the check back to you due to lack of proper address.

If you are selling your home please make sure you are up-to-date on your dues and any assessments. Your realtor must contact me for the proper paperwork and a copy of our by-laws. Feel free to call or e-mail me at any time with questions or concerns. I will get back to you as soon as possible. My contact information is to the left of this message.

Please Consider Helping Out

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

The Architectural Committee:

This important committee helps determine what our community looks like and will look like in the future. 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. Your ideas are welcome. We now have a person on the social committee. We just need a chair, chairperson. Join this committee and make it happen.

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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 July 22, 2008.

Check Out Our Updated Website

Go to <http://hhaonline.com/> for Minutes of our May 27, 2008 General Meeting. Also a map of the community is posted under "bylaws."

Summer Safety

Remember that summertime is a time of kids on fast bikes and adults on faster cars. Please remember to drive carefully and within the speed limit (25 mph on Hawthorne and 5 mph on the courts). Please ask any bike riders in your house to ride carefully especially when crossing Hawthorne Drive and remember helmet laws.

East Brandywine Township Curfew

The curfew for minors (under 18 years of age) is between 10 PM and 5 AM Sunday through Thursday and between 11 PM and 5 AM Friday and Saturday and every day from June 15th through September 15th inclusive. Exceptions are made for minors who are with their parents or who have proof that they are engaged in lawful employment. Refer to Township Ordinance 72-4 for details.

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.

Have You Subscribed to the HHA E-Mail Blast?

Following up on one of the recommendations that came out of the November 20, 2008 Emergency Homeowners Meeting, Kat Thack has set up a yahoo group from which the Board could send an email blast. This service which is free to the association provides a quick free method to inform HHA residents of an upcoming event (movie night, etc.) or a meeting or to provide information about a recent act of vandalism.

To subscribe please send an e-mail to

attentionhedgerowhomeowners-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.

Then follow the instructions that are e-mailed to you.

HHA Homeowner Information Update 2008

Please fill out the 2008 *HHA Homeowner Information Update* attached to this newsletter and return to the clubhouse dues slot by July 22, 2008. Your assistance is greatly appreciated. This information will help keep our files current.

Message from the President – *continued from page 1*

Teen Night at the pool, what would you like to see? What would you like to put together. Come share with us your thoughts and ideas and let's put it to work!!

Nothing really happens without you.

HHA Parent & Teen Surveys

Please find attached two interest surveys: one for teens and one for their parents or parents. Kat Thack put these attachments together to see if there were interest within the community to holding a teen night at the clubhouse. Kat undertook this survey in response to comments made at various Board meetings that teenagers in this community would benefit from some organized activity. Please return the surveys to the clubhouse on July 22, 2008. Thank you.

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 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM**

Location: Wallace Township Building on Rte 282

Contact: Melinda Bienkowski 610 9873-8995

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