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SUMMER IN THE 'BURBS



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Aug 3 - Friday Night Social - 7pm—?
- Aug 21 - FHC Board Meeting—6PM
- Oct 19 -Annual Meeting, 7PM, LCC Banquet Rm



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TRANSITION COMMITTEE UPDATE

John Wissler and committee met again with Londonderry Oaks on July 10th to review our latest "punch list" of items. That meeting resulted in Londonderry Oaks agreeing to complete and fix many unfinished landscaping areas on St. Andrews and Sawgrass Circle. They will hire ProTurf under a separate contract with them to take care of all that work. Drainage issues in front of 37,43,44 Sawgrass will be addressed and fixed. The wall behind 37 Sawgrass will be completed and crushed stone will be used to fill in the area between the 2 sections.



Londonderry Oaks informed the committee that both detention ponds will be cleaned out and final paving of Sawgrass Circle including shared driveways and resident driveways and clubhouse parking lot will be done by the end of August . Once all is completed and accepted by the Town of Londonderry, Londonderry Oaks will be departing the development. Be aware that all homeowner warranty items reported within the year from date of purchase will continue to be addressed and handled by Londonderry Oaks or their assigned contractor/s(ProHomes and ProTurf).

Thanks to all committee members, John, Brian, Cecile and Sue for their diligent work on our transition!

TREES REMOVED



As some of you may have noticed, many of the dead or dying trees have FINALLY been cut, stumps ground and all removed from the property. Not an easy task but with a good contractor selected by Pat Crowell, all went smoothly and with barely any destruction or damage to our landscaping. The next time you see Pat , be sure to thank her for her time and efforts in making this all happen as quickly and efficiently as it did. Thanks, Pat!

CONTRACT AWARDED

Since the current Landscape-Snow Removal contract was up this year, the Board, as part of its due diligence, drew up Bid Specifications and created an RFP process for our Landscape-Snow Removal Contract. RFP's were mailed to a list of suppliers who expressed interest in bidding on our contract. The Board reviewed all bids submitted in accordance with our RFP and through a detailed process of elimination, selected **Sky's the Limit** , (known to most of you as Rick Johnson) as the winning bidder.



The Board looks forward to a good working relationship with Sky's the Limit.

The Block Party was a huge success. Thanks to all involved!

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COMMUNITY NEWS & INFORMATION



UPCOMING ANNUAL MEETING NOTES

Please mark your calendars for the **Forest Hills of Londonderry Annual Meeting** scheduled for **Friday, October 19th at 7PM**. Since our population has grown and it's very difficult to get us all into the clubhouse comfortably along with the equipment we need for presentations, the Board has gone outside to look for a location nearby that would better suit our needs.

The Board is pleased to let everyone know that a most gracious and kind offer to use the banquet room at the Londonderry Country Club at no charge was made to us by Helga and Tom Kimball. So unless some unforeseen problem arises, we will be meeting at the Londonderry Country Club Banquet Room.

The Board is in the process of preparing some informational documents that will be delivered to every homeowner over the next few weeks for all to read and understand before the meeting. There also will be a pre-annual meeting Q & A session to be held at the clubhouse sometime before the annual meeting date; date and time will be announced.

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Due to the size of our agenda and the size our community, the Board feels it is necessary to set some conditions for issues brought up outside the scope of the planned agenda. They are as follows:

- If a resident has an issue or proposal that they would like to discuss at the annual meeting, they must do the following:
- Issues or proposals must be sent to the board in advance so they may be included in the Annual Meeting agenda.
- A resident who is presenting the issue or proposal must present two solutions and/or alternatives to their issue or proposal.
- Solutions or alternatives must be thoroughly researched and include financial, legal and ethical impacts if necessary.
- Any issue or proposal raised that is outside of the agenda for the evening, will not be permitted to be raised unless it is deemed to be of an urgent nature. Otherwise, the issue will be tabled to the next regularly scheduled board meeting.



WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEIGHBORS!



Welcome to **John and Jane Crafton** at 4 St. Andrews Way and **Max Funderburk** at 18 St. Andrews Way. We hope to see you at our next Social Friday, Aug 3, 2007!

The last home at 8 St. Andrews Way has a pending closing date in August.

Bien venue! Benvenuto!
Willkommen! Adjetivo!

FHLCA BOARD PUBLIC SESSIONS



Remember, if you have any issues or concerns you would like to discuss with the Board, you can ask to be put on the agenda of a monthly meeting. The Board

asks that you request to attend a meeting at least **one week in advance** and provide the Board the topic of discussion. For good time management, we ask for no unannounced walk-ins. Call or e-mail any one of the board members if you have questions or topics.

We hope to hear from you!

CANDIDATES NEEDED!

—MARTY GITTEN LEADING ELECTION COMMITTEE

This year at our annual meeting we will be faced with the election of 3 directors to fill seats on our 7-person Board of Directors. There are 2 existing seats up for re-election and one new one added as a result of the developer relinquishing their last seat on the Board.



We need your help! If you think you have the time and some life time experience that you would like of offer, please step forward and let Marty Gitten know you're interested in running for a Director position on the Board. Marty has agreed to take on the daunting task of polling our residents to uncover potential candidates who are willing to volunteer their time and expertise to help manage our community and to keep it on a path that we all want.

Remember, if we don't have the community involvement and interest in participating on the Board and Committees, we will be forced to look outside for a property management company which means funneling our money to it instead of to the things we'd like to do to enhance and beautify our common land and homes.

So please think about joining in and offering your time to help us make our "home" the best it can be.



SUMMER READING FOR SAWGRASS READERS



Nyria Shaw reports: "the Sawgrass Readers book club met Monday (25th) at Jeanne Nolan's to discuss "We Were The Mulvaney's" by Joyce Carol Oates. It was an excellent meeting with a lively discussions led by Jeanne. A glass of Char-donay helped! During July and August we will be reading books of our choice, to be reviewed in September at the home of Lis Christiansen.

We have been meeting faithfully since January 2005, and will be posting a page on the Forest Hills web site outlining the books read to date, and offering suggestions for summer reading.

There are nineteen members and we average eight to twelve members at each meeting - numbers always swell when our snow birds return. Once again, anyone interested should contact Anne Fencer or myself. We usually meet the last Monday of the month (excluding July and August) at 2 p.m. The only requirement for membership is to READ THE BOOK before you attend a meeting. The Leach Library obtains the required books for loan each month."



Forest Hills of Londonderry

VISIT OUR WEBSITE!



Go to www.foresthillsoflondonderry.org

Jeff Fencer is looking for more information from all of us to fill our website with all kinds of things that we would like to see and have access and links to. As you peruse the site, you'll find the Webmaster e-mail address which is where you want to send your information.



THINGS TO DO

Entertainment in the Area...

Did you know we have excellent entertainment right in our own backyards?

Here's a list for you to check:

Merrimack Repertory Theater in Lowell, MA, is just 40 minutes away and has some excellent theater. (978) 454-3926

Tupelo Hall right here in Londonderry at the White Dove Gift Shop (near Delahunty Nursery). If you like great music (folk and acoustic) in a small venue, this is the place to go. (603) 437-5100

Palace Theater in Manchester does lots of musicals and theater productions. (603) 668-5588

Concord Center for the Arts in Concord, just 25 minutes north, has some great musicals and celebrities appearing. (603) 225-1111

Meadowbrook Musical Arts Center— in Guilford, NH, is a wonderful venue for summer entertainment. An outdoor theater with a roof, easy to get to and easy parking.

www.meadowbrook.net

NH Fisher Cats in Manchester—baseball at it's finest in a wonderful new stadium. Easy parking and prices!

www.nhfishercats.com



Check out these web sites:

www.merrimackrep.org

www.tupelohall.com

www.palacetheatre.org

www.ccanh.com

If you know of others let us know and we'll list them in the next newsletter.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND HERE

Social Fridays—mark your calendars and come if you can. There's music, conversation, pot luck hors d'oeuvres, snacks and BYOB on the first Friday of the month: Aug 3, Sep 7, Oct 5



Red Hats - Call Mary Neal at 432-9777 for day and time .



Sawgrass Readers Book Club— Call Nyria Shaw 437-2174 or Ann Fencer at 434-0561 for day and time.



Mahjong for Ladies— meet on Mondays at Noon at Arlene Gitten's, 421-0272, 51 Sawgrass Circle, bring your own lunch. If Arlene can't make it, meet at the clubhouse.



Poker for Men—meet on Wednesdays at Noon at the clubhouse. Bring Piggy bank and lunch. (and beware of Tony!)



Forest Hills Duffers— meet at LCC at 10:30am for an 11am tee time on Tuesdays. Everyone is welcome— not a formal league - handicaps not needed. .



Men's Club—meets every other Tuesday. Check the Forest Hills calendar on the website or call Alan Cooper at 437-2236 for details.



EDITOR RECOMMENDATIONS

Local Casual Dining:

Lobster Claw, Rte 28, Derry, NH

Li'l Lobster Boat, Rte. 102 Litchfield, NH

Homestead—Mammoth Rd, Londonderry, NH (try the bar upstairs for in intimate dining and live acoustic music on the weekends)

Airport Diner—Brown Ave., Manchester, NH (at the Holiday Inn—a **Common Man Restaurant**)

Greenfield Café, Rte 3A, Litchfield, NH

Hidden Creek Country Club Cafe - 17 Morgan Road, Litchfield, NH (near Albuquerque Dr.)

New places to try:

CommercialSt. Fishery, 33 S. Commercial St., Manchester
603 296-0706, www.csfishery.com

Cotton, 75 Arms St., Manchester
603 622-5488, www.cottonfood.com

Upscale Dining:

Richards's Bistro, 36 Lowell St., Manchester
603 644-1180, www.richardsbistro.com

(Editor's note: Please send your favorites and we'll publish in next newsletter)

It's here! Go to www.foresthillsoflondonderry.org and see what Jeff Fencer has done for us.

FOREST HILLS COMMITTEE REPORTS



CAPITAL BUDGET COMMITTEE'S PROGRESS

Following is a letter from to committee to board:

To: Forest Hills Board of Directors
 From: Capital Budget Committee
 Subject: Progress Report



We are pleased to report that we are making progress with our information gathering efforts and expect to provide the board with useful capital maintenance budget data on or before August 15th 2007. Wayne Brockney, our ace finance man, has put together a "plug and play" Excel spreadsheet that will allow us to plug in all the base estimates for the various items we are budgeting and forecast them out over an extended time period, allow for inflation estimates, etc.

We have divided the information gathering tasks among the three of us and are starting to receive useful responses from suppliers regarding the cost items we believe belong in the budget.

We are also proceeding with the building of a "facility map" that will document all the Forest Hills infrastructure information that we need to effectively maintain it. That project should be completed well before the fall meeting.

As always, feel free to contact me, Wayne or Bev with any questions regarding what we are doing and how we are doing it.

Dustin H. Smith
 For the Capital Budget Committee
 Bev Shaw
 Wayne Brockney
 Dusty Smith
 Sue Smith, Board liaison

CLUBHOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT



The clubhouse committee has been working diligently on creating a new set of **Clubhouse Rules and Rental Agreement**. The new agreement and new process for rental requests will go into effect Sept 1, 2007.

The new process will be to **contact one of the committee members** to reserve the clubhouse for private or community functions/events. The committee member will confirm the availability of the date for you. If it's a community event, the committee member will reserve the date for you on the Forest Hills Calendar on our website. If it's a private event, you will need to submit a signed copy of the new rental agreement (which will be sent to all homeowners in this newsletter and also posted on our website) along with 2 checks payable to Forest Hills of Londonderry; one for the \$50.00 rental fee and one for a refundable deposit of \$100.00. The committee will hold the refundable check until the event is over and clubhouse inspection takes place immediately after. If clubhouse is found in the condition required per the Clubhouse Rules/Rental Agreement, then your deposit will be returned. If not, committee will contact resident to discuss the problems.

Thanks to all for your help in keeping our clubhouse in good shape!

Clubhouse Committee

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(See new Clubhouses Rules/Rental agreement included as separate document in this newsletter)



A REQUEST TO RESIDENTS

Dear Neighbors,

The Board of Directors received complaints regarding boxes for newspapers being installed on common land. The feeling is that this is creating a visually unappealing

look to the landscaping of Forest Hills. It is stated in the Declaration of Condominium of Forest Hill of Londonderry, An Adult Community page 9 under Statement of Purpose of Condominium use section 2-7-4 that nothing shall be hung,

posted or otherwise so placed as to be within public view or within the view of other Owners without the prior consent of the Board. Therefore the BOD is requesting that all newspaper boxes be removed.

Our mailboxes are made by "The Step 2 Company". They do sell this mailbox with a paper holder attached at Home Depot in the amount of \$52.97 color spruce.

Thank you,
 Forest Hills Board of Directors

Message

COOKING WITH FOREST HILLS

Mexican Wedding Cake—Marjorie Cooper

2 cups flour
 2 cups sugar
 2 eggs
 2 tps. baking soda
 1 tsp. vanilla
 1 20oz. can crushed pineapple, including juice
 1/2 chopped walnuts
 1/2 cup coconut
 8-10 maraschino cherries -chopped-add juice
Mix all ingredients in bowl
 Bake in 9"x 13" pan- (greased)
 350 degrees
 45 minutes to 1 hour
 Check at 45 minutes with toothpick in center



Grilled Stuffed Pepper Wedges – Rose Eagen

1 med green pepper
 1 med red pepper
 Rondele cheese spread-pepper parmesan flavor
 Shredded Sharp Cheddar Cheese
 Heat coals or gas grill. Cut each pepper into 8 wedges.
 Spread each wedge with the flavored cheese spread and sprinkle with shredded cheddar. Place each wedge directly on grill, cheese sides up. Grill on medium heat with the cover down for 8 to 10 mins. or when bottoms are charred and blistered, and cheese is melted. Serve warm.
 Hope you enjoy them!

CREAM CHEESE FROSTING

1 stick butter–melted
 8 oz. cream cheese-softened
 1 box confectionary sugar

To all the wonderful cooks at Forest Hills

We want to create a Forest Hills Cookbook so please send me your recipes for posting in the newsletter and to also add to a collection for our own cookbook. Be thinking about a name!

(Send any ideas on to the Editor)

FORMING A NEIGHBOR AED/POD



While having an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) in our clubhouse is a big advantage for the many gatherings that we have there, we encourage our community members to provide themselves with additional protection. It is very simple to start an AED/POD. We suggest that each home develop a list of neighbors (3 to 6), creating a "POD" who would be willing, in the event of an emergency, to go to the clubhouse, remove the AED and bring it to the emergency.

The person or persons designated to go and get the AED should be:

- Trained in CPR. Remember if it is a couple, that only one person might be home at the time of the emergency (but if it is a non trained person, perhaps they would be willing to make phone calls to reach a trained person)
- Have a key to the clubhouse on their person or in their car at all times

After you have identified your POD, get together as a group and ask Chuck Farley from Family Future Security (434-7002) to meet with you. He will replace your current emergency contact information with your POD neighbor's phone numbers. Be sure and supply your POD neighbors with your family contact information so that the POD neighbor that responds to the emergency can contact your family members once Emergency Medical Services has taken control of the situation. Consider if you want your neighbors to have access to your home in the event of an emergency:

IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY. FIRST AND FOREMOST DIAL 911.

If you dial 911 on your portable phone, **while you are dialing**, walk to the closest emergency cord in your home and pull it.

When alarm cord in home is pulled, Family Future Security will:

- Dispatch an ambulance
- Call the home to assure that it is an emergency (if it is not, they recall the ambulance)

If it is a confirmed emergency or if there is no answer they will:

- Call the numbers of your designated POD neighbors. They will keep dialing the numbers you have given them until they reach someone.

Our POD (of six families) is requesting that they call our POD neighbors until they reach two families (for moral support).Your POD neighbor will rush to the clubhouse, take the AED and bring it to your home

We have no way of knowing how much time, if any, calling the POD neighbor will save over arrival of the ambulance. We do have the potential, however, for having our AED arrive several minutes before the Fire Department's AED. We do know that if the victim is in sudden cardiac arrest, every **minute** sooner they are defibrillated increases their survival rate by 10%. This certainly seems worth the time to make a few phone calls. If you have any questions or are interested in taking a three hour CPR/AED class please contact Anita Huse at dahuse20@verizon.net.

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AUGUST 007 NEWSLETTER



*“Summertime,
And the livin' is easy”*

