
PINE BROOK NEWS

THE PINE BROOK CIVIC ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

October 2012

Annual Meeting

The Pine Brook Civic Association Annual Meeting took place on October 1, 2012, at the Pavilion Park. The members attending the meeting, either in person or via proxy, elected Jacquie Kirby-Hensel to another term as President and Lee Morrison as Vice-President. In addition, the following residents were elected to serve on the Pine Brook board: Yvonne Abela, Dave Chajkowski, Don Fry, Stephanie Lepley, Gary Marr, Kevin McKenzie, Ann Ulp, Louis Waddell and Bill Wall.

The 2013 budget was presented and the new dues amount of \$75 per calendar year was announced. The increase in dues, the first increase in ten years, was the result of increasing costs to the association. Just as your expenses have increased over the past decade, so have those of the association. The Board increased the dues in order to cover the annual costs of the association and to replenish the Rainy Day fund which has been used for the past three years to cover the deficit in funding. The routine budget amounts should be approximately the same in 2013 as in 2012 and the Board expects to meet budget goals for years to come.



Calendar

October 8th, Monday, 7:00 pm PBCA Board Meeting @ 214 Lamp Post Ln.

October 12th & 13th, Friday and Saturday, Pine Brook Fall Neighborhood Yard sale. Most folks start selling at 8am

October 27th, Saturday, 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at Pavilion Park. Free to all residents. Bring your own pumpkin and a snack to share.

November 19, 2012, Monday, 7:00 pm PBCA Board Meeting @ 214 Lamp Post Ln.

President's Corner:

Hi Neighbors!!!!

Several weeks ago the Hampden Township Volunteer Fire Company sent out a letter to the Hampden Township developments inviting a representative from each to participate in a focus group. The Fire Company has hired a consultant to do a 3, 5 and 10 year strategic plan. Their concern is the new hospital being built and future residential growth. They want to have consistent staffing with qualified fire fighters, but are worried about a decreasing number of the current volunteers. Ann Ulp and I attended the meeting and it was very informative and interesting.

There are approximately 12 serious fires a year in Hampden and the surrounding townships. But last year we had 900 9-1-1 calls. Most of these calls concerned storm damage, car accidents, suspicion of smoke or gas odors, and health issue calls.

Hampden Twp Volunteer Fire Company is just that, a total volunteer fire company. Most of the money that supports them comes from the township, but they do send out a donation appeal letter to all residents once a year. Less than 40% of the residents send in a donation, with Pine Brook and Delbrook sending in the most. The assistant fire chief lives in one of the newer developments and out of 100 households they received donations from just two families.

There is no question that our volunteer fire fighters are committed, dedicated and ready to go the second their beepers go off. They definitely want to stay an all volunteer fire company and are thinking of incentives that will encourage others to come on board--possibly scholarships to HAAC because there are fairly stringent education requirements; increased medical benefits; better scheduling and classification of the 911 calls. The consultant's report should be finished next month and made public at the beginning of the year.

We were taken on a tour of the facilities at the Good Hope Fire Station. There are suites where student fire fighters from HAAC actually live during the school term.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President	Jacque Kirby Hensel	737-2425
Vice-president	Lee Morrison	761-9090
Secretary	David Fish	737-6635
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BOARD MEMBERS

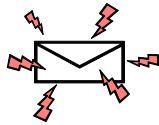
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Kevin McKenzie	695-0761
Ann Ulp	737-6511
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Bill Wall	737-6157

Web Site <http://www.pinebrookcivicassociation.com>

Front Entrance Plants

In case you haven't noticed, the front entrance of the neighborhood looks a little more colorful thanks to the efforts of some Pine Brook residents. Ann Ulp bought some mums and worked with fellow volunteers Chuck Abela and Jacque Kirby-Hensel in planting new flowers next to the Pine Brook sign.

If any resident would like to help with organizing a Pine Brook Garden Club, the association will provide the budget. All you have to do is to provide the planning to get the work done. Please call Ann Ulp at 737-6511 to help.



SUBMIT YOUR NEWS-BITS

Do you have news or birth announcements to make in the neighborhood? Or do you have a unique service you would like other neighbors to know about? To be included in the Pine Brook News, submit to:

Dave Fish, 405 Lamp Post Lane, Camp Hill, PA 17011

E-mail: PBCAmail@yahoo.com

Or join the Pine Brook discussion group on the web site: <http://www.pinebrookcivicassociation.com>

Summer picnic a success

The Pine Brook Civic Association Neighborhood Picnic took place on Sunday, September 9, 2012, after being moved from Saturday due to rain. At least 125 residents of all ages took part in the fun which included a moon bounce, games, water balloon fight and a day long soccer game. Thanks go to Jacque Kirby-Hensel and Don Fry for running the picnic this year. Thanks also go out to Bonny Fry and Georgia Simpson who spent the whole day selling tickets and raffle tickets. Bill Meyers provided the music. Dave Christian and Mike Heidelbaugh grilled. The pulled pork and ribs from Fred Baskin's restaurant Chicago Grill were organized by Stephanie Lepley and delivered by Chaz Lepley. Celie Fink spent almost the entire time monitoring the Moon Bounce. Mary Tinsley, Trish Comstock, Katie Gleason and others helped organize the kids' games. June Perry, Wayne Kessler, Ramon & Marisela Marin, and Dave & Betty Fish were also part of the effort. Another thank you goes to the residents who provided the wonderful pot luck food enjoyed by all.

Pine Brook Fall Yard Sale

Empty your garage and basement for the Pine Brook Fall Neighborhood Yard Sale on Friday, October 12th and Saturday, October 13th. Most people start selling around 8:00 a.m., but be ready for early shoppers.

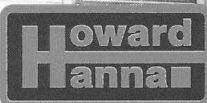

Participants can sell on both days or only on one. You do not need a permit to hold a garage sale - all you have to do is set up and start selling. While the association will advertise the sale in the newspaper, you can still put up a sign at the end of your street if you would like to point buyers to your house.

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BITS AND PIECES

Chili and Brownie Cook-Off

Josette Plank has suggested an informal, friendly Best Homemade Chili Cook-off/Competition during the October 27th Pumpkin Patch. Or maybe even a Chili and Brownie Cook-off? If you are interested, bring your dish to the Pavilion Park on October 27th from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The winner will get neighborhood bragging rights. You can enter one or both contests. Or, just bring a dessert to share if you don't want to be part of the cook-off. See the flyer on the back page for full details on the Pumpkin Patch.

Pet Peeves

Some residents would like to remind everyone that the Township does have "pooper-scooper" laws and you must clean up after your pets. This includes the common areas of the neighborhood such as Hidden Park and Pavilion Park.

Not picking up after your pets is a violation of Township laws and the penalty for not picking up after your dog is a fine of no more than \$600 and/or jail time of no more than 30 days.

Pine Brook Entertainment Committee

The Association is in desperate need of volunteers for the Entertainment Committee which is in charge of organizing and running the various events such as the Summer Picnic, Pumpkin Patch, etc. Please contact Dave Fish at 737-6635 to help - even if it is for only one event.

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It seems like the mailman is constantly bringing a letter from some group asking for a donation. Well, in my book, if you would like to give money to a good cause, you should definitely donate to our Hampden Twp Fire Fighters!!!!

Jacquie Kirby-Hensel
President, PBCA
737-2425

Barking Dogs

Some residents have complained about barking dogs in the neighborhood. Please be considerate of your neighbors when allowing your dog outside – especially early in the morning or late at night. According to the Hampden Township website concerning animal noise disturbance:

It shall be illegal within the Township for any person or persons to own, possess, harbor or control any animal or bird which makes any noise continuously and/or incessantly for a period of 10 minutes or makes such noise intermittently for 1/2 hour or more to the disturbance of any person any time of the day or night regardless of whether the animal or bird is physically situated in or upon private property, said noise being a nuisance; provided, that at the time the animal or bird is making such noise no person is trespassing or threatening to trespass upon private property in or upon which the animal or bird is situated nor is there any other legitimate cause which justifiably provoked the animal or bird.

Please contact your neighbor first if their animal is disturbing you. If you need additional assistance, please call the Hampden Township Police non-emergency number at 761-2609



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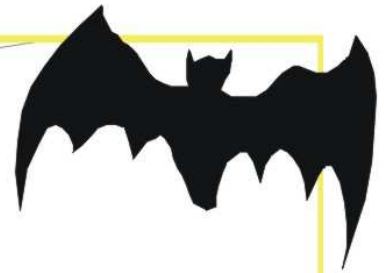
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It's Free!



Inviting all ghosts, goblins and ghouls,
young and old to the
Pine Brook Pumpkin Patch Party

Saturday, October 27 4:00-6:30pm
Pine Brook Pavilion Park

Join your neighbors as you make scarecrows,
decorate pumpkins, enjoy hot apple
cider or just relax next to a bonfire.

Bring along your own pumpkin, clothes for a scarecrow
and your favorite devilish dessert to share. The Pine Brook Civic
Association will provide the cider, pumpkin carving tools,
paint and straw, plus lots of fun games and prizes.

For more information
or to volunteer,
call Betty at 737-6635.

