PINE BROOK NEWS

THE PINE BROOK CIVIC ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

October 2014

Annual Meeting

The Pine Brook Civic Association Annual Meeting took place on October 6, 2014, 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, Vanessa Chornak, Don Fry, Wayne Kessler, Jeanne Lowe, Gary Marr and Ann Ulp.

The 2015 budget was presented and the dues will remain at \$75 per calendar year. The Treasurer announced \$11,400 was spent on replacing over 175 sidewalk squares at Pavilion Park and Front Park as well as digging out tree roots. This money was budgeted, but means it's time to replenish the Rainy Day fund. So far in 2014, other expenditures are meeting expectations. The routine budget amounts should be approximately the same in 2015 as in 2014 and the Board expects to meet budget goals for 2015.



Calendar

October 25th, Saturday, 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm at Pavilion Park. Pine Brook Pumpkin Patch. Free to all residents. Bring your own pumpkin and a snack to share. See the flyer on the back page for full information.

November 17, 2014, Monday, 7:00 pm PBCA Board Meeting @ 214 Lamp Post Ln.

October 30, 2014, Thursday, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm Hampden Twp Tick-or-Treat Night!!!! Have candy ready!!

Early December (1st?), 2014 Santa visits Pavilion Park. Hoping for the first Monday or Tuesday after Thanksgiving. Free to kids of all ages. Bring a desert to share.

President's Corner:

Hi Neighbors!!!!

After much planning, the sidewalks at Pavilion Park and Front Park have been fixed. The sections that were broken or had been uplifted by tree roots have been dug up and replaced. The tree root were cut back so as to help delay similar problems. Please check out the new sidewalks the next time you are strolling past the parks.

One of our fellow residents pointed out some problems occurring this time of year as a result of the changing leaves. While the colorful foliage is pretty, wet leaves on the roadway can cause bicycles and cars to slip – especially going up and down the steep hills in the Pine Brook. Please be careful while driving. The leaves are also clogging the drains along the streets. See page three of this newsletter for more information on this issue and leaf cleanup for Pine Brook.

If you have any ideas for a neighborhood event you think others would be interested in, please contact any board member or come to any of the monthly board meetings. Come up with a plan, get things organized and the PBCA will help with funding the event. Don't just sit there thinking, "Somebody should do this......" Remember, you're "somebody" and if you put the event together, there is a 100% chance of it taking place. If you're interested in an idea.... most likely other folks are as well.

Don't forget about the Pine Brook Pumpkin Patch on Saturday, October 25th, beginning at 4:30 p.m. at Pavilion Park. See the flyer on page four for details.

Jacquie Kirby-Hensel President, PBCA 737-2425

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President	Jacquie Kirby Hensel	737-2425
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Special Thanks

A great big thank you goes out to the Block Captians who deliver the newsletters in Pine Brook. By volunteering their time to deliver the newsletter to about 20 homes each, they help save on expenses by eliminating postage charges. Some folks have been Block Captains for over 14 years! These folks volunteering their time is part of what makes Pine Brook a great place to live. There is a need for a Block Captain for the 420-440 block of Spring House. It's only 40 minutes of your time once every three months...... longer if you stay and talk to folks while dropping off the newsletters. Please call any board member if you can 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 6, 2014. At least 130 residents of all ages took part in the fun which included a moon bounce, games, water balloon fight and fun with a full size parachute. Thanks go to David Fish for running the picnic this year. Thanks also go to the following people for their help with the picnic: Dave Chajkowski & Mike Heidelbaugh for manning the grills and to Vanessa Chornak for bringing all the kids' crafts and games. Thanks to Bill Myers for the sound system and music. And thanks to the ticket sellers Joan and Gary Marr, Louise Lukanuski, and Ann Ulp. And thanks to the many other folks who helped throughout the day but aren't named here.

Another thank you goes to the residents who provided the wonderful pot luck food enjoyed by all.

Thanks to all the kids and parents who participated in the Bike Parade before the picnic. We had bikes, trikes, scooters, strollers and TWO UNICYCLES, and for sure everybody had fun!!!! At the end of the parade the ice cream truck Crazy Maizy came and Ann Ulp treated all the kids!!!! Thanks to Jacquie Kirby and Ann Ulp for organizing this event.

The bike parade will happen again next year, so let's make it bigger and better with even more decorated bikes!!! See you then.

Another Special Thanks

Pine Brook has 415 homes and ten roads leading in and out of the neighborhood. In order to advertise upcoming events, signs have been made and are placed on the corner of each of the ten intersections of these cross streets and Orrs Bridge Road. A special thanks you goes to the neighbors who live on these corners where the signs go. Without the use of a small part of their yard, the remaining 405 homeowners would not receive full, advance notice of all upcoming events. Sure, each event is announced in a newsletter.....but nothing advertises like a sign you can't miss as you drive in and out of the neighborhood. Thank you very much for allowing the neighborhood to borrow a portion of your yard for the signs.

BITS AND PIECES

Baby & Pet sitters

The following young adults are available for baby & pet sitting or as a Mother's Helper:

Nikki Fish

Babysitting, pet sitting, Mother's Helper Nikki has completed the Holy Spirit Safe Babysitter's course. CPR Certified. Contact: 737-6635 or efishdog@gmail.com

Isabel Plank and Madeline Plank

Babysitting, pet sitting, Mother's Helper Contact: jcplank@gmail.com

Advertising in the Pine Brook News

Ads for non-adult, young people living in Pine Brook offering yard work or babysitting jobs, will be listed here FREE of charge. The PBCA also allows interested adults or businesses to advertise in the neighborhood newsletter for a small charge. The cost is \$25 for a business card size ad. All money from these ads goes towards the cost of printing the newsletter. The board limits the number of ads and approves the content.

If you are interested, please contact Dave Fish at PBCAmail@yahoo.com or 737-6635.

Please Drive Carefully

Please be careful driving in the neighborhood. Children walking to and from the bus stop or playing their yards may not be paying full attention to the cars coming down the road.



Ads in the newsletter cost \$25 per business card size. This money is used to cover the costs of printing the newsletter.

Leaves in Pine Brook

The Township collects leaves in Pine Brook on Mondays (Tuesdays if Monday is a holiday.) The trucks come through the neighborhood all day, but depending on the load, they may not get to your street until the afternoon. Between pickups, residents who live in the area where storm drains were installed should try to keep the drains as clear as possible. This will help prevent the drains becoming clogged with leaves and causing backups of storm water runoff.

With regards to leaf pickup, the Township reminds residents to refrain from parking along the street during leaf collection on Mondays as much as possible. This will give our township a chance to do their job and also make our development safer.

The Township website states: Residents are asked to rake leaves into the street, a foot or so away from the curb or the edge of pavement. Piles should not exceed three feet in height and four feet in width. Piles that contain tree branches or any other debris WILL NOT BE PICKED UP until the debris is removed.

Trick-or-Treat Night Oct. 30th

It's almost time for the annual Hampden Township Trick or Treat night on Thursday, October 30th! It will be dark when the kids can wander the neighborhood begging for treats from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., so don't forget the flashlights or glow sticks. Please be mindful of little monsters full of candy if you are driving during this time as some of the younger gremlins might not be paying full attention to the cars on the road.





Saturday, October 25th 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm Pavilion Park

- FREE and open to all Pine Brook residents
- Bring your own pumpkin to decorate and devilish dessert to share.
- The PBCA will provide drinks, pumpkin carving supplies and camp fire.
- Bring a game to share for kids or adults!!