PINE BROOK NEWS

THE PINE BROOK CIVIC ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Winter 2017

Park clean up and tanbark

Please join your neighbors on April 1st at <u>Pavilion</u> <u>Park</u> beginning at 10 a.m. where we will do much needed weeding and clean up of the park. Bring your favorite refreshments, some snacks and let the kids play in the park while the big kids and adults work to make Pine Brook's premier neighborhood park more beautiful. Please bring a wheelbarrow.

HIDDEN PARK - April 7th

Please mark your calendars for April 7th and join your neighbors for an evening of Spring Cleaning at <u>Hidden Park</u>. We will spread another layer of tanbark around the playground equipment in addition to doing other maintenance items. The action begins at 5 pm. Bring some gloves, a shovel and the willingness to have fun while meeting your neighbors. The entrance to Hidden Park is off Fireside Drive. Just follow the signs. Wheelbarrows are needed!!

On April 8, 2017, we will meet at Pavilion Park at 10:00 a.m. to spread mulch at Pavilion Park and Front Park. Please bring shovels and wheelbarrows. Kids and adults of all ages are welcome.

Calendar

March 13^h, Monday, 7:00 pm PBCA Board meeting @ 420 Lamp Post Ln.

March 27th, Deadline for HersheyPark Group Sale forms. Call 737-6635 if you need more information.

April 1st, Saturday, 10:00 am, Spraying/weeding at Pavilion Park and Front Park (Meet at Pavilion Park)

April 7th, Friday, 5:00 pm, Mulch Day at Hidden Park

April 8th, Saturday, 10:00 am to Noon. Bring your shovel, gloves and wheelbarrows!!! Help mulch and clean up at Pavilion and Front Parks

April 15th, Saturday, 11:00 am, Easter Egg Hunt, FREE for kids ages 2 to 12, Hidden Park. Go to Fireside Dr. and look for the signs. (Easter is on April 16th)

Friday, May 5th and Saturday, May 6th, Pine Brook Neighborhood Yard Sale. Begin selling and stop whenever you'd like.

President's Corner:

Happy New Year to everyone in Pine Brook! As we have had our first real snow storm of the year, it is a good time to remind everyone to clear pathways, particularly for the safety of our youngest and oldest residents and pets, and don't block sidewalks with cars.

In 2016, we had several successful social events. Thanks to Katie Manning and Alison Kilgore for an excellent and well-attended Easter Egg hunt. We had another really good annual picnic. Thanks to Kim and Ann for the front-entrance Christmas decorations. Neighbor Carol Staz and your Board led the fight against a zoning variance request and won. When we learned a number of trees needed surgery, Susie Grim collected estimates for that work. We did have a major expenditure for the work, but it was necessary.

The year ahead: We welcome Rick McMullin and Carol Deglmann as new Board members. Our previous snow removal contractor is no longer doing that work, and new bids were higher. Thus future snow removal and ice treatment will be more expensive. The increased snow cost and the tree work mean payment of dues is even more important. We decided to try "door hangers" to solicit your dues; let's see how that works. While we asked block captains to remove hangers that stayed in place for a while, please do that yourself if you know a neighbor is away. We continue work on our long-term goal of getting the Township to allow beneficial tree replacement between curb and sidewalk. Hopefully we can work with other neighborhood boards to get the Township and County to act on the Orr's Bridge repair and/or replacement. All of these things take a lot of time and effort, so the Board would be very happy to have you volunteer to help.

Wishing you comfort and joy in our lovely neighborhood.

Lee Morrison President of the PBCA Board.

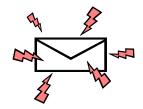
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SUBMIT YOUR NEWS-BITS

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.org



Upcoming PBCA Events

Here is list of some important neighborhood dates that may be of interest to you. (subject to change)

March 27 – Deadline for returning Pine Brook HersheyPark Group Sales forms and payment

April 1 – Weeding/spraying at Pavilion Park and Front Park 10:00 a.m. (meet at Pavilion Park)

April 7 – Friday evening Mulch day and party at Hidden Park 5-8 p.m. (Saturday as rain date)

April 8 – Mulch day at Pavilion Park and Front Park 10:00 a.m.

April 15 – Easter egg hunt at Hidden Park – 11:00 a.m. (setup at 10:00 a.m.) Free to all residents (This is the Saturday before Easter)

May 5, May 6 – Spring Yard sale

August 26 – Bike Parade. 3:00 p.m. Pavilion Park. Judging of decorated bikes and open to kids of all ages.

August 26 – Neighborhood Picnic 3:00 p.m. Pavilion Park

October 2 – Annual Meeting. Election of board, Secretary and Treasurer

October 6, 7 – Fall yard sale

October 28 – Pumpkin Patch at Pavilion Park

November 27??: Operation Ho-Ho & Caroling – at Pavilion. 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Dec 24 – Neighborhood luminaries

Neighborhood Yard Sale

(Friday, May 5 & Saturday May 6)

It will soon be time once again for the annual extravaganza that is the Pine Brook Neighborhood Yard Sale. Here is your chance to sell your 'treasures' before you donate them to charity.

This sale always attracts hundreds of buyers....both professional dealers and the average "browsers" looking for bargains. More buyers mean more sales. More sales equals more money. Don't you want to be involved in this? All you have to do is set up a table and SELL, SELL, SELL. The Pine Brook Civic Association will take care of the advertising. You do not need to have a permit to hold a yard sale.

BITS AND PIECES

Please don't block sidewalks

Hampden Township code requires the owner of households to "keep the sidewalk, together with any portion of the property paved and used as a sidewalk or public walk immediately in front of his property, in good order and repair, and at all times free and clear of all obstructions to safe and convenient passage." Please don't block the sidewalk with vehicles and owners must repair any sections damaged or pushed up by tree roots.

Tree Trimming

Please remember to trim any trees on your property to 8 feet above sidewalks and 12 feet above the road. Please remove any dead limbs as you are responsible for any damage caused by these limbs falling on houses, people or cars.

While you may legally trim any branches over your property attached to your neighbor's tree, it is always a good idea to discuss any such plans with your neighbor first. Your neighbor may split the cost with you if they want additional work done on the rest of the tree.

Pine Brook Entertainment Committee

The PBCA needs volunteers for the Entertainment Committee which oversees organizing and running the various events such as the Summer Picnic, Pumpkin Carving, etc. Please contact Dave Fish at 737-6635 to help.

Easter Egg Hunt April 15

On April 15, 2017, kids up to 12 years-old are welcome to take part in a FREE Easter Egg Hunt at Hidden Park beginning at 11:00 a.m. There will be one egg hunt for up to 4 years-old and another egg hunt for kids ages 5 to 12. The main entrance to Hidden Park is located on Fireside drive - look for the sign for the public right-of-way.

Membership application for 2017			
(Due by March 25, 2017)			
Name as you'd like it to appear in the PBCA directory			
Address:			
Phone:			
E-mail: (Just for PBCA useno spam and we would never give your address out)			
Check if can volunteer to help with:			
Block Captain			
Summer picnic			
The Newsletter			
maintaining the Common areas			
Are you interested in advertising in the Pine Brook News?			
Business			
Baby-sitting services			
Lawn care services			
Submit this form and \$75 annual dues to: Pine Brook Civic Association			
C/O: David Fish			
405 Lamp Post Lane, Camp Hill, PA 17011 Make checks payable to: <u>Pine Brook Civic Association</u>			

PBCA liaison with Township

Board Member Rick McMullin has volunteered to act as PBCA liaison at the Township Commissioner monthly meetings. Rick is asking for residents to refer issues or questions to be raised on behalf of Pine Brook so he can put them forward to the commissioners at their regular monthly meetings.

Please email Rick at <u>rickmc3826@comcast.net</u> or by phone at 979-2950.

Easter Egg Hunt donations

As detailed on page 3, on April 15, 2017, a FREE Easter Egg Hunt will be held at Hidden Park beginning at 11:00 a.m.

The event organizers are seeking donations for prizes for both larger or littler kids such as: candies, small toys, stickers, tattoos, as well as larger prizes like coloring books, Legos, stuffed animals, crayons, chalk, gift cards, Barbies, etc. Donations can be dropped off at 302 Orrs Bridge in a bucket on the front porch.

Spiral Path Farms

For the eighth year, the Plank family will be a Spiral Path Farm Organic Produce volunteer host. Spiral Path Farm is an organic farm in Perry County. Through Spiral Path, you can take part in their Community Supported Agriculture program whereby, for a membership fee, you will receive a box of fresh, locally grown organic produce once a week from mid April through mid December.

There are several different membership programs with a variety of "subscription" dates and box sizes. Boxes of produce can be picked up every Thursday at our house at 3807 Candlelight Drive. Several members in our neighborhood "split" a share and alternate pick-up weeks.

We receive no money from Spiral Path Farm; we are simply a volunteer drop-off/pick-up site for the produce.

If you'd like to learn more, you can visit Spiral Path Farm at http://www.spiralpathfarm.com/

If you have any questions about the produce or pickup procedures, or would like to receive a sample box, don't hesitate to contact me at **jcplank@gmail.com**

Josette Plank 3807 Candlelight Drive



Common sense home protection

Pine Brook is an incredibly safe neighborhood with very little crime. However, every couple of years we experience a few random robberies usually involving individuals taking advantage of opportunities such as open garage doors or cars left open with valuables in plain sight. These are easily preventable by simply remembering to close and lock doors and leaving an outside light on.

While the Pine Brook email listserv is a somewhat closed source, it is still open to the public and it is never a good idea to discuss vacation plans or to seek help mowing a law while you or a neighbor is expected to be out of town. The same goes for social media and discussing upcoming trips or posting vaction pictures while you are away. All you are doing is telling people when your house will be empty.

Pine Brook Ladies Luncheon

Would you like to meet your Pine Brook neighbors by gathering for a Ladies Luncheon once a month?

We could meet at a restaurant, have a summer pot luck lunch at the Pavilion or any other suggestions you may have. Also, what day of the week would you prefer to meet?

Please respond by March 17th to Carol Deglmann at thmdeg@aol.com.

Phone numbers you can use

National government:

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White House	Public comment line closed Jan. 2017	
Rep. Scott Perry		(717) 635-9504
Sen. Bob Casey		(717) 231-7540
Sen. Pat Toomey		(717) 782-3951
State Government	:	
Governor Tom Wolf		(717) 772-8284
Rep. Greg Rothman		(717) 975-2235
Sen. Mike Regan		(717) 787-8524
Local Governmen	t:	
Hampden Township Office		(717) 761-0119
Hampden Recreation Dept.		(717) 761-4951
Hampden Police Non-Emergency		(717) 761-2609
Cumberland County Office		(717) 240-6100