# PINE BROOK NEWS

THE PINE BROOK CIVIC ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Summer 2017

# **Neighborhood Picnic**

The PBCA neighborhood picnic is set for Saturday, August 26<sup>th</sup> from 3-10 pm. In addition to food, fun, music, games and meeting your neighbors, the PBCA will rent a moonwalk for the kids to bounce on while the parents socialize. Play some games, hang out with your neighbors and roast marshmallows over a campfire. The Civic Association will provide burgers, hot dogs, fried chicken, fixings and drinks. Each family should bring a pot-luck dish, so start planning now for that special recipe to wow your neighbors. See the enclosed flyer for full details. There is a small fee to help cover expenses.

PLEASE VOLUNTEER TO HELP!!! It really doesn't take much of your time and you're going to be there anyway.....so please help.

We also need folks to help set up, sign-in folks, take care of the Moonwalk, cook food, buy ice, and many other jobs. Feel free to bring an organized game or activity for kids and/or adults. Please contact David Fish at 737-6635 to volunteer.

# Neighborhood bike parade

Kids of all ages are invited to attend a bike parade beginning at 2:30 p.m. on August 26th at Pavilion Park before the start of the picnic. Bring your bicycle decorated with your best creative ideas.



#### Calendar

**August 26th,** Saturday, 3 – 10 pm Pine Brook Annual Picnic. Pavilion Park

**September 11th,** Monday, 7:00 pm PBCA Board Meeting @ 420 Lamp Post Ln.

October 2<sup>nd</sup>, Monday, 7:00 pm PBCA Annual Meeting @ Pavilion Park

October 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>, Friday and Saturday, Pine Brook Fall Neighborhood Yard sale. Most folks start selling at 8am.

# **Bridge Update**

As most residents know, Cumberland County is responsible for construction of the replacement for the existing Orrs Bridge. The new bridge will curve downstream (to the east), so it can be constructed while the existing bridge remains operational. At the end of the construction the old bridge will be dismantled and the new one tied into the existing roadways. We should assume there will be a period of four to eight weeks at the end when it will not be possible to cross either bridge.

To construct the new bridge, the County will take a small portion of our front park permanently. Further, there will be a "drainage easement" next to the bridge, which should not have any aesthetic consequence. During construction, the County's contractors will place their equipment and trailers on our front entrance park. The County had to consider the effects of the construction on adjoining landowners, including the PBCA, and make compensation offers. Your Board had extensive discussions with the County about the construction and the extent of compensation.

Our existing walls will remain and the contractors will restore the park to its current condition. After thorough review of all aspects of the project, we obtained an independent appraisal of the property, which led to a somewhat higher amount than the original County offer. We negotiated a settlement that appropriately compensates Pine Brook and was fair to the County. As a further matter, PPL originally intended to permanently place overhead power lines across our park. The Board adamantly objected and PPL eventually agreed to locate the lines on the new bridge.

In the process of settling issues with the County, we discovered that there were unresolved tax matters related to the PBCA tax status, of which the current Board was unaware. As some may recall, in the early years of this century the PBCA was in disarray, with few active Board members or officers. Although we successfully reconstituted and strengthened the PBCA, largely through the efforts of past presidents Fred Briggs, Wayne Kessler and Jacquie Kirby Hensel, we lost continuity as former officers moved or sadly passed away. (continued page 3)

#### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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## **Event ideas needed!!**

If you have an idea for a neighborhood event, please let the PBCA know. The event could be for kids, adults or families. Want to start a weekly volleyball game? How about a Pine Brook bowling team? A dog parade? The Easter Egg Hunt is an example of a recent event started by a resident. The PBCA may be able to help with the funding of the project, so contact any board member with your suggestion.



## **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**

Please join the Pine Brook discussion group on the web. It's free for residents and your email address will NEVER be given out. Keep up to date on neighborhood news and other interesting tidbits.

site: http://www.pinebrookcivicassociation.com

#### Scout earns Hornaday Silver Medal

In April 2017, Eagle Scout Billy Fish of Troop 80 earned the William T. Hornaday Silver Medal which is the Boy Scouts' highest honor for conservation work. The Hornaday Silver Medal is very rare and has only been awarded 260 time in 42 years.

With help from Pine Brook residents, conservation groups and scouts from Troop 80 and Troop 196, Billy organized the installation of 240 storm drain markers in the Pine Brook, Silver Brook and Kingswood neighborhoods. A month later, Billy organized a cleanup of a 2.1-mile section of the Conodoguinet Creek.

In addition, Billy organized a debate on hydraulic fracturing held at CV High School and a battery recycling program in all ten of the CV schools.

Billy sends a big THANK YOU to all Pine Brook residents who donated money or helped with the various projects.

#### **Pine Brook Ladies Luncheon**

Ladies monthly luncheons are scheduled on the Third Monday of each month with participants going to various restaurants.

The next Ladies Luncheon is scheduled on Monday, August 21st at 11:30 a.m. at Dockside Willies, 449 S. Front Street in Lemoyne.

If you would like to join the group, please e-mail Carol Deglmann at: thmdeg@aol.com or call 737-0674.

## **Pine Brook Fall Yard Sale**

Empty the garage and basement, the Pine Brook Fall Neighborhood Yard Sale will take place on Friday and Saturday, October 6 & 7.

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 a table and start selling.

Here is your chance to sell your "treasures" before you take them to the thrift store or put them on the curb.

The association will advertise the sale in the newspaper, but all residents are encouraged to promote the sale on any online venue you use.

## BITS AND PIECES

# Baby & Pet sitters

#### 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

#### Tree Maintenance

The wonderful shade trees between the sidewalk and the street are part of what makes Pine Brook a great place to live and add value to our neighborhood. However, current Township regulations no longer allow trees to be replanted in the same space.

As such, please try to prune dead or excess limbs and troublesome roots before resorting to the removal of the entire tree. Once they are cut down, these trees cannot be replaced in the same spot and the neighborhood will lose a little bit of its character.

#### **Please Drive Slowly**

Because of many complaints by multiple residents concerning cars speeding, running stop signs and gunning their engines, the PBCA Board has sent a letter to the Hampden Township Police requesting additional patrols and enforcement in the neighborhood.

The police are asking residents who witness vehicle speeding or running stop signs to please call the Police non-emergency phone number 761-2609 to report anonymously.



Spike is a Pine Brook resident.

(Update continued....) Because of these changes, we were using an incorrect tax identification number and were unaware of certain new IRS requirements. While the PBCA never owed taxes nor incurred penalties, we must apply to reinstate our former status. We initiated this process, but have received no IRS acknowledgment. It appears a complete resolution may take six months or more. As a result, there is uncertainty regarding the tax treatment of the County compensation, which could affect the final amount received by PBCA. The Board expected to give you more detail about the settlement, but as president I feel that would be misleading now, until we have a clearer view of our tax liability.

Once the tax liability is determined, we will provide a complete report to the neighborhood.

We also are working to prevent future loss of continuity, but recognize we need help from everyone - when residents lose interest in their neighborhood organization, these mishaps are unavoidable.

Lee Morrison, for the Board.

## Pine Brook email list

If you are not yet a member, please join the Pine Brook email list. This free service allows Pine Brook residents to send messages about upcoming events, items for sale and neighborhood news.

Please join by going to:

http://www.pinebrookcivicassociation.org/joinus.html

Your email address will NEVER be given out to any outside source for any reason.

## FTKolor Run/Walk 5K benefit

Starting at 9:00 a.m. on August 12, 2017, the FTKolor run is a color run at Cumberland Valley High School hosted by CV Mini-THON and all the proceeds will go to help benefit the Four Diamonds. Participants will run or walk around the campus and there will be music and color stations along the way. The event is family friendly and you will get covered in powdered colors!!

CV Mini-THON is a student run organization that raises money for the Four Diamonds. The Four Diamonds supports the Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital. It pays for cancer research and patients medical bills.

To register, visit cyminithon.weebly.com to print out a mail in form or register online via the link on the website. For more information contact Bennett Brown at (717) 919-4788 or email at cyminithon@cvschools.org.

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

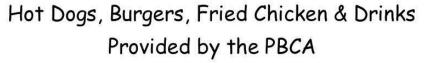
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Pine Brook Picnic

Saturday, Aug. 26, 2017 3:00 p.m.—10:00 p.m.

(Dinner 5:00 p.m.)

Pavilion Park



Cost is \$2 person or \$5 per family\*

This picnic is open to everyone. You don't have to live here to attend. (So, please bring the grandparents and/or your friends)

Bounce House For kids





BYOB

Games for kids and adults

Other food is pot luck. If your last name ends in:

A—H Bring side dish

I-Q Bring salad

R—Z Bring dessert

Volunteers are needed to help with the picnic. Please call David at 737-6635.

(\* A family is defined as those folks living in the same house. Other guests have to pay for themselves.)

There is no rain date......the event goes on rain or shine. We do have a covered pavilion.

Because some children are afraid of dogs (or have allergies), please leave your pets at home.