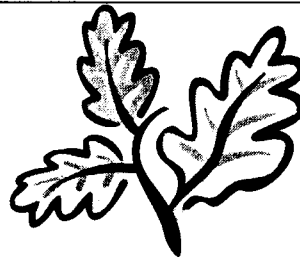


Chickahominy Oaks Neighborhood News – April 2007



Trees are budding, flowers are blooming, grass is growing. These are definite signs of Spring. But snow ? Oh well, I guess ole' man winter is still trying to hold on ! Regardless, landscaping is starting to show definite signs of life now.

That leads us straight into -

Yard of the Month

Starting in April, a Yard of the Month will be selected from among the homeowners in our neighborhood. So get those flowers blooming and watch for our first recipient !

Association website

The Deer Valley at Chickahominy Oaks website (<http://dvhoa.home.comcast.net>) has many items of interest to you as homeowners. If you need quick access to the rules and regulations concerning fences, sheds, decks, etc., those items can be found on our website. Do you want to see what is going on in our neighborhood? Then visit the calendar for upcoming events. Check out this website and see what is available for you.

Annual Association Membership Meeting -

It's that time of year again when we must elect a new Board of Directors for the next year. As required by the State of Virginia and our association bylaws, our Annual Meeting will be held May 17, 2007 beginning at 6:45 PM. This year the meeting will be held at our pavilion on 9531 Fawn Park Lane. **All members are welcome and encouraged to attend.** The most important order of business will be to request nominations for, and election of, a new Board of Directors. Currently, the following persons have expressed an interest in serving on our new Board of Directors:

Roy Miller, 9441 Deer Stream Drive

Helga Pearson, 9457 Deer Stream Drive

John Tragesser, 9342 Summer Oak Drive

If you are interested in serving on the new Board of Directors for 2007-2008, please contact Dan Horvath, Chair of the Nominating Committee at 730-1953.

It has been recommended that we have a pizza/soft drink, adults only, meeting to hopefully encourage a strong attendance for this important meeting. To assist us in ordering an appropriate quantity of food and beverages, please call 730-1953 and leave a message with your name and the number of adult residents expected to attend. Please respond by 8:00 PM on Tuesday, May 15th.

The expected agenda for this meeting will include:

- 1) An updated statement of our current status, including a reading of the last annual meeting minutes.
- 2) An updated Treasurer's report of financial status along with projected budget information.
- 3) Any bylaw change recommendations will be heard, discussed and voted on.
- 4) Additional nominations for the Board of Directors and election. A short summary of each nominee's background will be included. A secret ballot of those in attendance, in writing, will be cast. Actual ballots will be issued at the meeting. The vote will include ballots for proxies submitted from those who could not attend. **If you cannot attend the meeting, please complete a copy of the proxy attached and return to the Secretary at 9531 Fawn Park Lane, Mechanicsville, VA 23116.** The newly elected directors will subsequently elect officers at their earliest convenience.
- 5) Adjournment of the Annual Meeting

We look forward to seeing all of our adult residents at our Annual Meeting on May 17th !

Pavilion Use –

New rules have been posted for use of the Pavilion. This was due to the continued vandalism and damage to association property. These are those new rules as posted:

AREA RULES OF USE

This area, Deer Valley Park, inclusive of the PAVILION, PLAYGROUND, BALL FIELD, and PARKING LOT, is for the exclusive use of member families in good standing only.

By RULE of the Board of Directors:

SKATE BOARDING IS PROHIBITED (NOT ALLOWED)

NO GUNS – PAINT BALL, AIRSOFT BB/PELLET PISTOLS OR RIFLES ALLOWED

This area is to be used for Picnic, Family Gathering, and Play purposes of members and their accompanied/invited guests only!

TRESPASSERS/VIOLATORS OF these RULES SHALL be subject to

PROSECUTION !!

Neighborhood Watch

The creation of a Neighborhood Watch is still proceeding forward. With vandalism that continues in our neighborhood, this is a good means to help protect our investments – those of the association as well as your personal investments. An “engraver” is currently available through Harold Blumenfeld or Bill Fulton. This enables you to identify certain personal items so that in the event of theft, the police will know who to contact for the return of those items.

Speed Limit Reminder

Please remember and remind all members of your family and visitors that the speed limit within our subdivision is 25 MPH max. There are many children in our neighborhood and we wish to keep everyone safe ! As spring and summer approaches, these children will be out and about more frequently.

Changes/Additions to the January 2007 Neighborhood Directory

Harold Blumenfeld – Change to e-mail address: hblumenfeld@peoplepc.com

Bill Fulton – Change to e-mail address: billfulton804@comcast.net

9410 Hope Glen Court – Mark Humphreys

10100 Stags Leap Drive – Charlie and Jo Anna Forest

9508 Fawn Park Lane – Steven and Jody Sharp

If you have corrections or additions to the directory (i.e. phone numbers), please contact Bill Fulton at 559-5140. Always take the time to welcome new neighbors to our community !

A Conversation with your Association President

THANK YOU TO PARENTS AND YOUNGSTERS HERE!!

Yes! A BIG THANK YOU is in order for all parents and their youngsters here in Chickahominy Oaks at this time, from your Board of Directors, and all 130 plus member families. It is a THANK YOU for honoring the requests made to respect our Common Areas and assets and refrain from anything that might cause damage to our properties here in our neighborhood. It's obvious it takes parents and their kids together to help in this challenge. By doing so, we will be able to direct our nominal treasury funds to other positive projects instead of having to pay for repairs caused by damage to the property.

Here at springtime, we can't help but notice our beautiful trees at the front of our entrance. Not too many neighborhoods can boast about having such a benefit. This is a good chance to also thank neighbors who have served either on past Board of Directors, committees, or just pitched in to help.

A special thanks to Cathy Tillman for the attention she always gives to help. We can also add special thanks to Roy Miller for his personal time contributions.

I would like to mention that our “Neighborhood Watch Program” efforts are still moving forward. We are getting a steady request to use the engravers loaned to us by the Sheriff’s department. Please contact either Bill Fulton (559-5140) or Harold Blumenfeld (730-8703) to get use of the engraver. This will assist us to qualify for the program.

We need the program more than ever now! I suppose most all of you have now heard about the young adults and teens that trespassed and vandalized some common area property here. They were outsiders, and not residents of our neighborhood. They were, in fact, arrested. At this time they are under warrant, and out on bond. They (at least 4 of them) are facing a trial soon. It has already cost them and their parents a lot of money. In court they are facing both fines and possible prison time.

After the incidents, the Deputies recommended we post additional warning signs to make things more clear about possible dangers of trespassing and vandalism. We have recently done so.

Your help and participation to get the “Neighborhood Watch Program” finalized will be appreciated.

This spring and summer we will be starting a “Yard of the month” program. More pea gravel will soon be added to the playground area now that the initial gravel has settled in more. There are other projects being discussed as well.

Please take advantage of our open BOD meetings and attend these meetings to share your thoughts whenever possible. Again, we thank you for your cooperation, and look forward to continuing in that direction.

Have a safe and happy spring and summer time! Hope to see you at the Annual Meeting!

Sincerely yours,

Harold Blumenfeld

Deer Valley Homeowners Association

9531 Fawn Park Lane

Mechanicsville, Virginia 23116

I, _____, having
(homeowner's name – please print)
met the requirements to vote as a member in good standing of the Deer Valley
Homeowners' Association residing at

_____,
(address)

do hereby give my proxy vote to _____.
(name of proxy)

I am of the understanding that I am giving my proxy permission to vote on
my behalf for the annual meeting on May 17, 2007 only.

(homeowner's signature)

(date)

Please return all proxy forms to the attention of:
Secretary
9531 Fawn Park Lane
Mechanicsville, VA 23116

All forms must be received no later than May 16, 2007.