

# THE MAINSTREAM



**HOA Annual Meeting**  
January 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm

Immediately followed by,

**Swim & Tennis Annual Meeting**  
January 17<sup>th</sup> at 8pm



**Hiddenbrook Homes Association**

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Please remember that HOA dues are due on January 1<sup>st</sup>. If you are not able to attend the HOA annual meeting, please mail in your proxy. We must have 100 people represented in person or by proxy in order to hold the meeting.

Thank You!

## TRAFFIC ISSUES

There is ongoing concern in our neighborhood and neighboring communities regarding traffic safety issues at the intersection of Hiddenbrook Drive and Cellar Creek Way. The HOA Board recently contacted VDOT for assistance in addressing this issue but the response was less than we had hoped for. Below is the response we received:

*We have reviewed the crash history for this intersection and there is no pattern of accidents that would warrant action from VDOT. The Code of Virginia does not allow parking within 20 feet of an intersection or 10 feet from a driveway. These parking restrictions are enforceable without No Parking signs. For the middle school students crossing for the school bus, VDOT recommends that the students wait until the school bus has stopped and turned on the flashing red lights before crossing the street. The flashing red lights stop traffic in both directions. This is especially helpful when it is cloudy, raining, snowing, or dark so motorists know school children are in the area. To slow the traffic on Hiddenbrook Drive, please access the Fairfax County Traffic Calming web site: [www.fairfaxcounty.gov](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov) . Residential Traffic Administration Program (RTAP) This web site describes all the options available to neighborhoods to slow traffic and make them safer. For assistance with the traffic calming program, please contact Supervisor Foust's office at 703-471-5076 or at [dranesville@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:dranesville@fairfaxcounty.gov). Thank you for bringing these safety issues to our attention.*

The sad irony of the VDOT response is that we have had two traffic calming initiatives started by concerned residents of our neighborhood that have failed in the past. The Sadlers Wells Drive initiative did not meet the required number of votes to pass, and the other for Hiddenbrook Drive lost momentum due to initial opposition and continuing apathy. The committee abandoned the cause due to lack of support. Unfortunately, the traffic calming recommendation from VDOT is exactly what we previously tried to accomplish and failed. The efforts and ideas of the Traffic Calming Committees surely would have helped us greatly.

These are serious problems in our community and the avenues to fixing them have been blocked because of the resistance to the only solutions offered by VDOT.

Aside from requesting assistance from VDOT, we want to make the community aware that there have been other efforts by the HOA Board to find solutions to these types of concerns. For over a year, the HOA has regularly requested increased police attention to speeders and parking violators in the neighborhood to address this intersection as well as many others. Our property manager has also contacted the police on numerous occasions when a suspected violation of the county ordinances is observed in the neighborhood. In some instances, this has proven effective however, many times it has not.

Contrary to general perception, parking on the streets in Hiddenbrook is not governed by our HOA covenants. We have general guidelines but the best successes have come from common sense and courtesy for your neighbors. As the number of vehicles in the neighborhood rises, the proper sight lines while turning corners and exiting driveways decreases. We send violation notices for issues under our authority but our methods of recourse are limited and don't address all the issues at hand. Our HOA documents were scripted in the early 1970s and did not reference the type of issues we are experiencing today. In order to change these documents, we must have three quarters of the residents vote in favor of doing so.

The bottom line is, we have to help ourselves with these issues. Drivers must consciously slow down when entering our development. It's hard to come from a speed of 40mph down to 25mph when coming off Dranesville road but that is exactly what it's going to take to minimize the dangers we face. Posted signs don't seem to have the desired effect we need to solve the problem.

**Awareness and cooperation are two elements that allow each of us to be part of the solution instead of part of the problem!**

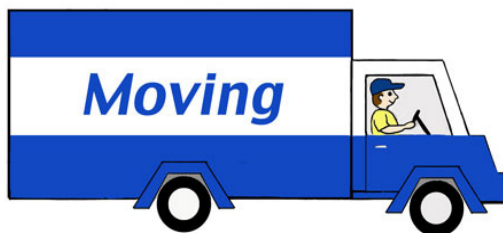
## TRASH PICK UP CHANGE!

Fairfax County sent out letters to Hiddenbrook residents informing us of a change in our trash & recycling pick up day. **Effective February 2<sup>nd</sup>, our trash day will be THURSDAY**



**TUESDAY**

**There will be no pick up on Tuesday January 31<sup>st</sup> !!**



*Browman*



**THURSDAY**

## Hiddenbrook Board of Directors

(Meetings are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month at 7:30 pm in the clubhouse)

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If you are interested in joining any of the Hiddenbrook committees, please fill out the 'Committee Interest Form' from the documents page of the [www.hiddenbrookhomes.org](http://www.hiddenbrookhomes.org) website and send it in to our property manager, Lisa Cornaire at [Hiddenbrook\\_Homes@hotmail.com](mailto:Hiddenbrook_Homes@hotmail.com)

# CLUBHOUSE CALENDAR

## January 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
					5:00pm Clubh...	Clubhouse Rental
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
9:00am Clubho...	7:00pm S&T Bylaws Com. Mtg			Office Closed		
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Clubhouse Rental		7:00pm HOA Mtg 8:00pm S&T Annual Mtg				Clubhouse Rental
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4

