THE MAINSTREAM



THE <u>SWIM & TENNIS ANNUAL MEETING</u> WILL BE HELD MONDAY 5/16 @ 7:30PM IN THE CLUB HOUSE.

ALL SWIM & TENNIS MEMBERS ARE INVITED TO THIS MEETING AND EVERY HOA MEETING...YOU HAVE A VOICE...SHOW UP & BE HEARD!

SWIM & TENNIS TASK FORCE

The Hiddenbrook Board will be appointing a task force committee for the purpose of revising the Rules, Regulations & Procedures of the Swim and Tennis Club document which is a part of the Bylaws. The Board will be adopting a resolution for this purpose in their next meeting, after which the resolution will be posted on the website and members of the HOA and/or Swim & Tennis Club who would like to join may submit their interest to the Board. A notification with more information will be sent by mail at the end of April.

SAVE THE DATE!

Spring is here and it is time for our second annual adult *spring social!* Please come to the clubhouse on <u>April</u> <u>22nd at 7pm</u> and bring your favorite drink and an hors d'oeuvre or snack to share. If you have any questions, please email Joan Koss at

joanekoss@outlook.com. Hope to see you there!

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DID SOMEONE SAY POOL??

There are *limited* SWIM &

TENNIS MEMBERSHIPS

available for sale.

The cost is \$360, plus dues.

Contact Lisa Cornaire 703-318-7159



Don't Forget to Pay your Swim & Tennis dues!

GO GREEN THIS EARTH DAY

Earth Day will be celebrated throughout the world on April 22nd. There are many things you can do in your home and community to help save energy, help the environment, and even save you money.

1. Reuse Your Bags - Paper or plastic? Neither — bring a reusable bag. According to 'An Inconvenient Truth,' it takes 12 million barrels of oil to produce the plastic bags Americans use each year. In addition, about 15 million trees are cut down to produce paper for paper bags.

2. Pay Bills Online - Start paying your bills online to help reduce the amount of fuel needed to ship mail and save trees. According to a recent TIME magazine article, if every American household paid bills online, it would reduce solid waste by 1.6 billion pounds and cut greenhouse gas emissions by 2.1 million tons each year.

3. Get An Energy Audit - An energy audit will tell you how much energy your home uses each year, and provide tips on how to reduce your consumption. The average American family can cut its CO2 emissions by 1,000 pounds each year. As usual, the best things in life are free — most utility providers will audit your home free of charge.

4. Get More MPGs - Reduce greenhouse gas emissions and help stop global warming by getting more miles per gallon. Switching to a car that gets 10 more miles to the gallon can save over \$1,000 dollars a year! Properly inflate your tires, drive 55 mph on the highway and change your air filter regularly. Driving 55 mph can save you over 20 percent on your gas bill.

5. Change Your Lights - Replacing your old incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs) will help increase your energy efficiency. Replacing one old bulb with a CFL can save you up to \$30 per year. CFLs use two thirds less energy, give off 70 percent less heat and last up to 10 times as long as conventional bulbs.

6. Efficient Appliances - Your inefficient appliances are costing you more than you think. The typical household spends \$1,900 a year on energy bills. By upgrading to Energy Star qualified appliances, you can save 30 percent, or more than \$600 per year. Replacing your refrigerator alone can make a big difference because they use more energy than any other appliance. Energy Star qualified fridges use 40 percent less energy than models produced before 2001.

7. Control The Temperature - Up to 20 percent of heating and cooling energy is lost due to poorly sealed or insulated ducts in your home. Make sure your ducts are properly insulated and install weather stripping around windows and doors for a better seal. Tax credits on efficiency increasing heating and cooling equipment make now a great time to upgrade. Get a \$300 credit on central air conditioning units and up to 30 percent on solar water heaters.

8. Reduce, Reuse, Recycle - Reducing your garbage by 25 percent will reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 1,000 pounds per year. Recycling aluminum cans, glass bottles, plastic, cardboard and newspapers can reduce your home's impact by 850 pounds of carbon dioxide per year. Decreasing carbon dioxide emissions can help stop global warming.

9. Conserve Water - Purifying and distributing water takes lots of energy. You can make simple changes to reduce the amount of water you use. Replacing an older toilet can save about 7,500 gallons of water a year. Fixing a leak in a toilet can save as much as 200 gallons a day. Use low-flow shower heads and turn your water heater thermostat down to 120 degrees Fahrenheit. These steps can add up to serious savings on your water and energy bills.

10. Use Mass Transit – We are lucky to live in an area that has a lot of mass transit options (when they are working and it's not snowing out!). Planning on taking a trip in DC to see the sites? Take the Silver Line!

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Hiddenbrook ARC Committee will be performing community-wide inspections in June. The committee will be looking for items in need of maintenance or out of compliance with the Hiddenbrook ARC Guidelines and HOA Covenants. Additionally, please be advised that the vehicular parking rules will be enforced with respect to boats, trailers, commercial and recreational vehicles, etc. Also, keep in mind that holiday lights should be removed and garbage cans should not be in view. Inspections will be performed as viewed from a vehicle drive-by and when possible, photographs will be included with any letters sent to homeowners.

TROUBLE WITH TRASH

All trash, recycling and yard waste in our neighborhood is picked up by Fairfax County. If you experience a day(s) where your items are not picked up or if you have any other issues you'd like to notify the county about, it is recommended that you call 703-802-3322. You may also send a complaint by email to

<u>DPWEStrashCS@fairfaxcounty.gov</u>. It is recommended that you notify them within 24 hours of a missed pick up. Missed pick-ups are tracked which is why it's important to report them. The county's records will show previous calls from your address or street. Once a pick-up has been missed or other issue is reported three times in a five week period, the system triggers supervisory intervention.

Other helpful trash info:

Yard Waste- Leaves, grass and brush are collected at the curb all year long. Yard waste must be bundled and placed in brown paper yard waste bags.

Bulk Pick up- Is available by calling the same number or by submitting an electronic request at this website <u>https://specialpickup.fairfaxcounty.gov/</u>

PESKY POTHOLES

Now that the winter weather should be behind us, we are still dealing with potholes. You can visit the link below to learn who maintains every road in Fairfax County and if it is maintained by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), you can use the new VDOT online reporting tool to report potholes for their attention.

http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/news2/heres-how-to-report-those-pesky-potholes-2/

DUMPSTER DAY & SWIM TEAM YARD SALE

DUMPSTER DAY... PLAN AHEAD!

The HOA has scheduled Dumpster Day at the clubhouse for *Saturday, May* 21^{st,}. The dumpster will be placed in the back of the clubhouse parking lot and available for free use by any Hiddenbrook resident.

More details will follow in the May edition of the Mainstream. We wanted to give you enough time to plan your spring cleaning activities and take advantage of this event.





THE ANNUAL HIDDENBROOK SWIM TEAM YARD SALE IS COMING!!!

Saturday May 21st 8-11AM at the club house..... Come support the swim team while you drop off items at dumpster day. Keep the team in mind while cleaning out your garage, basement or shed. Any items not headed to the dumpster could be items to donate to the team for their sale. Items can be dropped off upstairs in the club house Friday evening 6-8pm.



TRAFFIC CALMING UPDATE - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Following the Community Meeting in October, the Traffic Calming team for Hiddenbrook Drive decided to take a pause until Spring rather than rush into a joint community vote in Hiddenbrook and Kingston Chase during the busy Holiday and very snowy Winter season.

During the break, several team members had to drop out due to job changes and by moving out of the neighborhood. We need new volunteers to take their place so we have sufficient resources to complete the evaluation of resident feedback properly and decide whether or not to move forward to a community vote (possibly in the June time frame).

Remaining tasks include:

1. Evaluate community feedback received during and after the October community meeting.

2. Contact Supervisor Foust's office and determine if a second community meeting is allowed by their rules since time has gone by and we will have new team members

3. Coordinating and getting the word out to residents of Hiddenbrook and Kingston Chase.

4. If a vote takes place, preparing ballots for mailing per the rules set forth by Fairfax County. All ballots are sent to Supervisor Foust's office for verification and counting.

A web site has been created to post all the documents for this effort and responses to Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs). The website address is:

https://sites.google.com/site/trafficcalmhiddenbrook/home

The team is not affiliated with the Home Owner Associations (HOAs) of either Hiddenbrook or Kingston Chase. It is a volunteer group of residents who are working directly with Supervisor Foust's office and the Fairfax County Department of Transportation, following their process for evaluating, informing, and coordinating a possible community vote.

Those who are interested in helping, and those who have any questions, please email us at: <u>slowdownhiddenbrookdrive@gmail.com</u>

Thank you!



Lifeguard Positions Available!

NV Pools, our pool management company, has begun their hiring process for lifeguards to work at various pools in the region. You can learn valuable skills such as first aid, CPR and lifesaving techniques while working on the job.

NV Pools offers a Red Cross Lifeguarding class and you can become certified in: Lifeguarding ~ First Aid ~ Adult, Child & Infant CPR ~ AED. They offer classes at reduced rates for employees. You do not need to be certified to apply, just complete certification by May 28th 2016.

Questions:

Email: <u>employment@nvpools.com</u> or Call: 703-968-8800

hiddenbrooksocial@gmail.com

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| (Meetings are on the 3 rd Tuesday of every month at 7:30 pm in the clubhouse) | | | |
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Hiddenbrook Social Committee

**If you are interested in joining any of the Hiddenbrook committees, please come to a board meeting or e-mail the respective committee liaison attached to the committee or contact the Property Manager to get more information.

Clubhouse Calendar

April 2016



