

THE MAINSTREAM



Swim & Tennis

Dues notices for the upcoming season have been mailed out.

- Dues have stayed the same!
- Guest books are available for purchase.
- Lifeguard coverage hours have expanded.
- We hope to offer an adult lap swim

Please see the letter included with your invoice for tips on selling your membership if you no longer want it.

If you know someone looking for a membership please refer them to the Facilities Manager.

Hiddenbrook Homes
Association

www.hiddenbrookhomes.org

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Herndon, VA 20170

Facilities Manager:

Lisa Cornaire

hiddenbrook_homes@hotmail.com

Office Hours

Tues. & Thurs. 2-5pm
Or by appointment

(703) 318-7159 -office

(703) 437-9737 -fax

(703) 437-9736 -pool

Mailing address:

PO Box 582, Herndon, VA 20172



REMINDER:

Spring Ahead!

**The time changes at 2am on
Sunday March 8th.**

**Don't forget to set your
clocks ahead one hour!**

Hiddenbrook Board of Directors as of Feb. 2015

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

President	Joan Koss	jekoss@cox.net
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Hiddenbrook Pool Committee		hiddenbrookpool@gmail.com
Hiddenbrook Social Committee		hiddenbrooksocial@gmail.com

Committee Members as of Feb. 2015

ARC Members: Joan Koss (Board Liason), Sarah Makin, Laurie Pachter, Pam Spencer

Social Members: Needed! Carrie Hester (Board Liason)

Communication Members: Pam Spencer (Board Liason), Lisa Cornaire, Kristin Leveto

Pool Members: Paige Dyer (Board Liason), Kristin Leveto

Tennis Members: Needed! Chaz Holland (Board Liason)

Clubhouse Members: Lisa Cornaire, Meg Hinders, Joan Koss

Neighborhood Watch Members: Needed!

Pavilion Members: Joan Koss (Board Liason), Marcel van Vierseen, Sze Patrum, Pete O'Hanlon, Pam Spencer, Paige Dyer

All committee Chairs and members were accepted unanimously by the Board of Directors.

***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 facilities director to get more information.*

Swim Corner

Swim season is right around the corner – keep in mind that very soon you will be digging out your goggles and swim caps (and checking to see if they survived the winter.....) Cold garages often lead to dried out caps and goggle straps. It's best to see if your equipment is going to survive the first day at the pool before you get there!

UPCOMING EVENT

While you are preparing for spring remember that the weekend before Memorial Day weekend the **Hiddenbrook Hurricanes will be hosting their 3rd annual yard sale**. We will be accepting donations of household items, toys and anything that might sell to benefit the team. Start making that pile!

Socially Speaking.....

Friday, February 20th was our first Hiddenbrook **Social Gathering** at the clubhouse. Neighbors brought lots of snacks, drinks and delicious homemade dishes to share. The atmosphere was very casual, and the setting consisted of tables and chairs for eating and conversing, background music from an iHome system, and the conversations were fun and enlightening. We started at 7:00 pm, most people came at 7:00 and we ended the evening around 10:00pm. We were lucky to have twelve attendees and hope to have more at our next gathering. Our goal is to do this at least four times a year and the purpose is to help residents learn more about their neighbors and life in all areas of Hiddenbrook. Suggestions were made that we definitely do this again and keep it as an adult format so everyone was free to chat at length and truly enjoy getting to know one another.

With some help in planning children's activities, we hope to host some "Family Gatherings" so entire families can get to know each other as well. Keep an eye out for the next **Social Gathering** date and come join this event.

**LET'S GET
SOCIAL!**

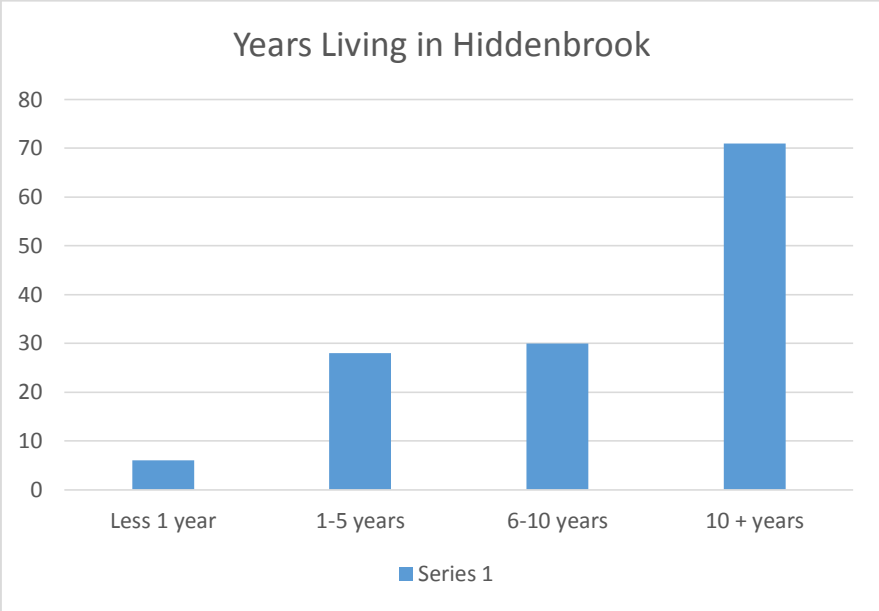
Speeding to a Solution

The Hiddenbrook HOA Board has received a number of complaints regarding vehicles speeding through the neighborhood at well above the 25 MPH limit. On Christmas eve, a drunk driver speeding South on Sadlers Wells Drive took out a lamppost, two mailboxes and totaled a parked car. Fortunately, there was only property damage. As we approach Spring the weather will improve and more children will be outside playing during the day, so the risk factor will increase. In mid-February the Fairfax County police occasionally had an unmarked car posted on Hiddenbrook Drive to catch speeders. We are grateful for their efforts, but need them here more often. Resident's expressions of concern to the Fairfax County police about the speeding problem are most effective at drawing attention to the problem and increasing the patrols. Calls requesting Fairfax County police presence to suppress the speeding should be made to the Reston sub-station at (703) 478-0904. The sub-station web site is <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/police/stations/reston/>



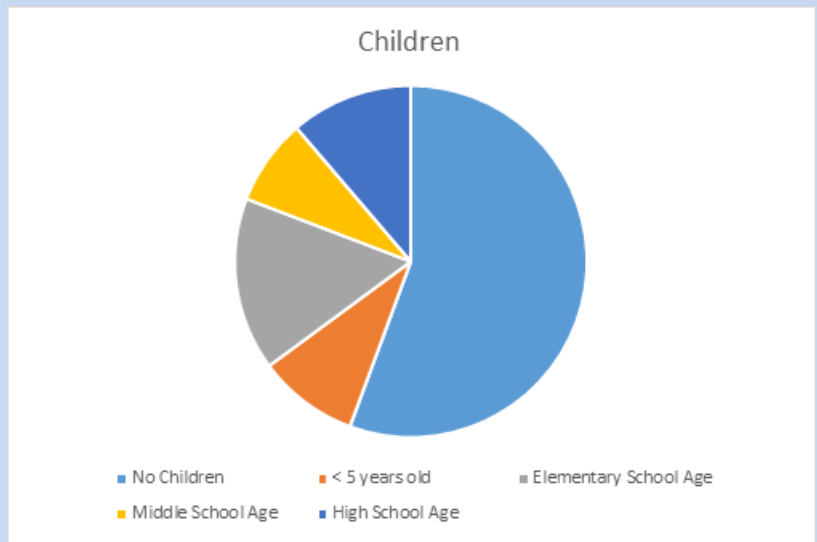
Survey says.....

Thank you to all of you who completed our neighborhood survey. We received 178 responses, which is a 45 percent response rate. Based on these results, the Hiddenbrook HOA Board can use this demographic information to guide our efforts and decisions.



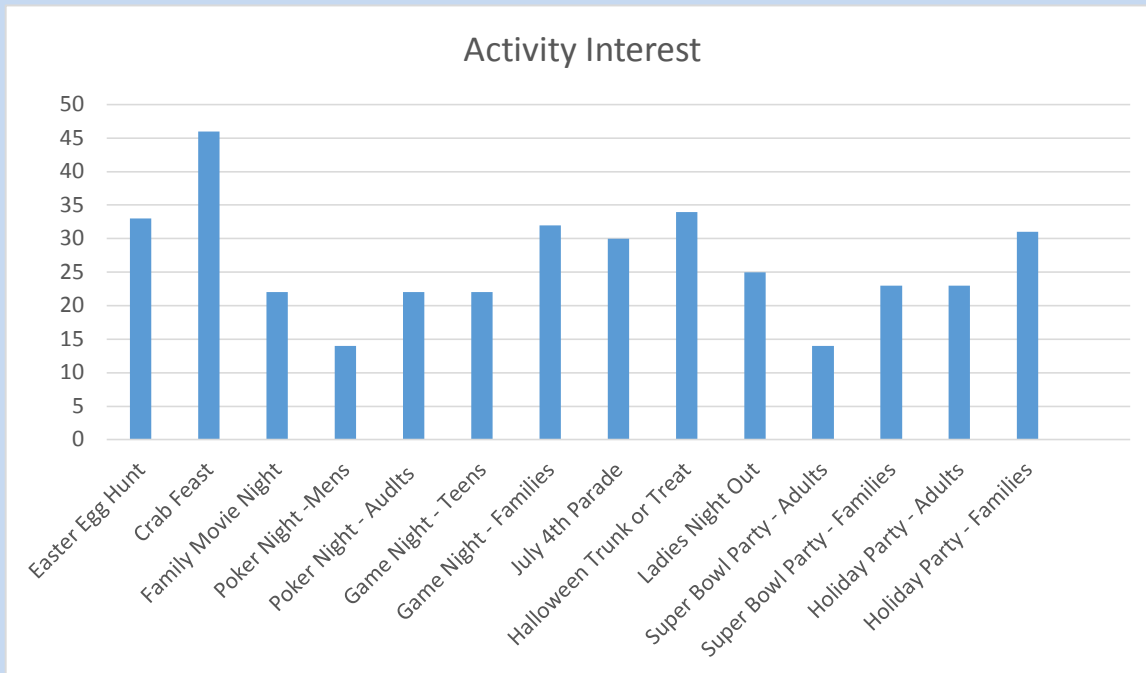
HOA Board can use this demographic information to guide our efforts and decisions. We learned that almost 50 percent of our homeowners have lived in our neighborhood for more than 10 years. Less than 5 percent of our homeowners have been in our neighborhood for less than one year. We further learned that more than half of our homeowners do not have children living in their homes. The breakdown of

children by the survey age groups indicated 9 percent of our homes have children under the age of 5 and 35 percent of our homes have school-age children.



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The activity interest responses show that our homeowners have varying interests and the most popular event neighbors are interested in is the Crab Feast offered in August. We had many additional ideas submitted as well. These range from



Bunco, BBQs, book clubs to charity drives. Our only limitation is volunteers to coordinate our events. If you would like to coordinate an activity, please email Lisa Cornaire at hiddenbrook_homes@hotmail.com. The next activity needing a coordinator is the Easter Egg Hunt and we are looking for a person to organize and run this event.

We also received a wide variety of feedback on issues that are of concern to our neighbors. These issues will be discussed throughout future issues.

Don't Forget:
All Christmas lights were to be taken down by the end of February.



Thanks

A big **Thank You!** goes out to three of our Hiddenbrook residents who have contributed their time, talents, and dedication to our neighborhood. Each of these individuals has served the Hiddenbrook community in many different ways and all of their efforts are greatly appreciated. It takes many volunteers to keep our neighborhood operating at the level that we've come to expect and it only gets better with continued support from our neighbors and the talents they lend to us.

Thank You **Kendra Green**, for serving as our HOA's Communications Committee Chair for the past three years. Kendra was the talent behind the design and appearance of our Mainstream newsletter while also editing and doing the layout of each edition. She searched for information about interesting activities going on in the area that people may have an interest attending as well as important safety information that could serve our Hiddenbrook community. Most of all, Kendra was great at managing last minute changes, added articles and keeping us on our toes about proper sourcing and rights to privacy.

Another contribution Kendra made was to serve as our behind-the-scenes person sending out flash emails to help keep everyone informed and up-to-date on happenings in the neighborhood, the clubhouse, and the pool.

No matter what events occur in our community, planned or unplanned, suffice it to say that the most important tool we have to make things work well for everyone, good communication is the key to success and Kendra has played a big part in our success in Hiddenbrook.

Thank You **Pete O'Hanlon**, for serving as our HOA's Treasurer for the last two years. Pete has worked with our Property Manager, our bookkeeper and the Board to provide oversight of our budget and operating funds. Pete actively reviewed our income and expenditures to ensure our funds were properly allocated and that our reserve account was funded as required by Virginia law and the Hiddenbrook Board of Directors. He spent many hours each year with our Property Manager, bookkeeper and various Board members planning and developing our annual budget. Pete was also instrumental in summarizing and explaining, in detail, the annual budget at our board meetings.

We have been fortunate in keeping our dues at the lowest minimum possible with the help of people like Pete who has devoted his time and knowledge to benefit our community.

Thank You **Chris Shumac**, for reactivating our Neighborhood Watch Committee. Chris established a connection with the Fairfax County Police department to learn how we could make our neighborhood safer by developing our Neighborhood Watch Committee and increasing communication among our residents.

All these volunteers did a great job and were devoted to our neighborhood. It is because of their efforts and others that we continue to have a wonderful place to live.

Joan Koss – President Hiddenbrook HOA

March Clubhouse Calendar



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 7:00p: CB Meeting...	11	12	13	14 All Day: Clubhouse Rental...
15	16	17 7:30p: Board Meeting...	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	1	2	3	4

