

THE MAINSTREAM



REMEMBER HALLOWEEN IS
FRIDAY,
OCTOBER 31ST.

PLEASE WATCH OUT FOR
LITTLE TRICK OR
TREATERS!

SOCIAL CHAIRPERSON NEEDED!

Do you like planning events for your friends and neighbors? Are you interested in getting more involved in the Hiddenbrook HOA? If so, the Hiddenbrook Board of Directors is looking for a new Social Committee Chair. Events in the past have included Trunk or Treat, Easter Egg Hunt, Holiday Party and 4th of July Parade. We have also helped plan the Crab Feast, Adult Trivia Nights and other events. If you would like to learn more about this position, please contact Carrie Hester at breighester@yahoo.com.

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BOARD ELECTIONS

Don't forget, if you are interested in being included on the ballot for the board of directors please provide the following information to the facilities manager on or before Monday, October 20th, 2014:

- Your name and address
- How many years you have resided in Hiddenbrook
- List any offices held or other activities performed on behalf of the Hiddenbrook residents
- List any other qualifications you may deem appropriate
- Summarize the reasons why you would like to be elected to the Board

When responding remember Board members should plan on holding one of the following positions: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer or Member at Large. Please refer to our Association documents for the responsibilities of these positions. Any questions or clarifications needed should be addressed to the Facilities Manager at the email list below. This information can be sent by mail to Hiddenbrook HOA PO BOX 582 Herndon, VA 20170, hand delivered to the Facilities Manager during her office hours or emailed to Hiddenbrook_Homes@hotmail.com

TENNIS COURT PRACTICE WALL

We hope everyone is enjoying the improvements made to the tennis facilities this year. The fences were repaired and painted, there are new dry rollers, benches and brooms and some tree trimming was performed. Crack repairs were made in September as well. The board always appreciates suggestions and feedback on how we can improve upon our facilities for the enjoyment of our members. One suggestion that has come up from time to time is the addition of a practice wall in the tennis courts. The suggestion has been taken into consideration by the current board as well as previous boards. The current board discussed this in the August meeting and has chosen not to pursue this option simply because of the level of noise that a wall like this would incur. Out of respect for the homes that are near the tennis courts we do not want to add any further noise to the area at the courts. Often times the walls are made of wood which would cause an echoing, repetitive sound when they are in use. We just wanted to share our thoughts on this topic since it has come up at times in the past.

Hiddenbrook Board of Directors

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

President	Joan Koss	jekoss@cox.net
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NEW HIDDENBROOK SWIM TEAM!

Hiddenbrook has a new swim team in league all its' own.....the **HIDDENBROOK FURRYCAINES!** On September 7th, at the end of the last day our pool was open to humans, it was opened to our beloved canines for our annual dog swim (meet).

This swim "meet" began without any whistles and there were no stop watches or specific timing apparent because while some team members rushed the gates to get into the water, some had to be strongly coaxed by their human parents.

There were no lane lines, no uniforms, no stop watches or stats, but there were the same shouts and cheers of joy from all spectators, parents or not. Competition was at an all-time low, but that didn't seem to take anything away from the fun and excitement during this event. All team members were respectful of each other's accomplishments and managed to find enough space in the pool to make their own "swimming records".

The Snack Shack was a box of treats atop a table also used for donations made to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter. Many pet items and \$100.00 were donated for this cause.

Not all the team members signed in but we were able to capture some of their names before they dripped dry or toweled off and left. A team picture was impossible so we opted for some individual shots to commemorate the occasion.

TEAM ROSTER 2014:

Bijon	Maggie	Cassidy
Amstel	Leonida	Scooby
Missy	Jenny	Lola
Chester	Mozart	Alice
Blake	Sam	Daisy
Kaji	Kazu	Clyde
Harley	Bandit	Stella

THE HIDDENBROOK FURRYCANES!



LEND A HAND AND LIGHTEN THE LOAD!

Do you want to be a part of keeping this as one of the best neighborhoods in the area? We need you! Although we employ a Facilities Manager and a bookkeeper for our Association, much of what goes on depends on volunteers. Committee members are able to communicate with the Board of Directors, make suggestions for improvements or activities and have the opportunity to directly shape what goes on in our community. Everyone is at different stage of activities in their life and we have opportunities that can work for most schedules and availability.

You are welcome to bring your background, knowledge, interest, etc. to our Association and fill a position or join a committee. The more committee members we have, the less work for everyone. We currently have seven active committees: Architectural Review, Communications, Pool, Tennis, Social and Recreation, Clubhouse, and Neighborhood Watch. You are encouraged to get involved with one or more of these committees. You can spend as little as a five to ten minutes a week to the occasional few hours during the year.

Take a look below to see some of the things each committee has done or is planning. If any of these look like something you would like to learn more about or are interested in being involved with, please contact Lisa Cornaire at hiddenbrook_homes@hotmail.com or Joan Koss at jekoss@cox.net.

Architectural Review Committee: Volunteers are needed to review properties prior to sales to ensure the property does not have any violations. Each year, an annual review of the properties needs to be conducted to ensure neighbors are staying within our guidelines. (A checklist has been developed to make these consistent, straight forward processes.)

Communications: Volunteers are needed to maintain our website, compile and publish our monthly e-newsletter, post events/activities to our Facebook account, send out email notifications on neighborhood information.

Pool: Volunteers are needed to communicate with our Facilities Manager any repairs or issues that need to be addressed or make suggestions for improving the pool area and operations. This committee also ensures the shower and changing curtains are laundered and re-hung throughout the pool season and they maintain the lost and found area.

Social/Recreation: Volunteers coordinate events to bring our neighbors together. In the past this committee has run the following events: Easter Egg Hunt, Fourth of July Parade, Dog Swim, and Halloween Trunk or Treating. Do you want to offer something for teenagers, a ladies night out, poker night, etc.? We only limited in our offerings by the lack of volunteers or ideas. You can volunteer for one event or several.

Maintenance/Clubhouse: Works with the Facilities Manager to review our facility and grounds and determine what needs to be addressed. We need volunteers to inspect the facility after rentals and take action as needed to ensure the facility is ready for the next renter. Volunteers are needed to pick up trash around the facility and grounds, report items that need repaired, prepare and plant flowers/plants in the spring, water plants during the growing season, etc.

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Tennis: Volunteers are needed to communicate with our Facility Manager any repairs or issues that need to be addressed or make suggestions for improving our tennis court area and operations.

Neighborhood Watch: Volunteers are needed to report suspicious activity or security concerns through working with our Communications Committee. Volunteers share information with the Board about concerns or areas that can improve our neighborhood safety.

REMINDERS!

REMEMBER TO LOCK
THE TENNIS COURTS
WHEN YOU LEAVE
THEM!!

THANK YOU!!

THE NOVEMBER HOA
MEETING HAS BEEN
MOVED TO

MONDAY,
NOVEMBER 17TH.

THANK YOU!

WHO IS THAT LADY?

Meet Pam Spencer! She has been a member of our community since 1982. After serving on the Architectural Review Committee for two years, she joined the Hiddenbrook HOA Board of Directors and has served as the Secretary since 2011. She has been instrumental in getting our processes and procedures documented which helps our Facilities Manager with her job. This year, Pam assisted the Architectural Review Committee in revising the Architectural Guidelines, which took many hours of discussion and review.

Pam is passionate about our community and has done more than most to better our surroundings as well as the clubhouse. This is all done as a VOLUNTEER with no compensation or expectations. It does make her happy when she gets the occasional thank you or overhears a comment of how nice things look. Just to give you an idea... This spring, Pam reviewed the budget for landscaping and her knowledge of plants to personally select and install colorful displays of flowers around the clubhouse while working to stay within or below budget. A year or so ago, she took the initiative to paint the club room and locker rooms bringing them up to a much nicer standard. Her 'sweat equity' saved the association thousands of dollars. Pam has used her professional background to assist our facility manager with the selection and replacement of the old sliding glass doors, the upgraded tile floor in the guard room and pool area foyer, the re-strapping of the pool deck furniture, the acquisition of new club room chairs, and many other areas that needed to be cleaned up and organized.

This past summer, Pam had work that took her away for a few weeks. Knowing she does much for the grounds and clubhouse, she was asked for a quick list of items to address in her absence. As the board President, I knew she was doing a lot but did not quite realize just how much. She is up at the clubhouse or common grounds almost EVERY day during the summer days. She may be addressing any of the following: watering flowers, picking up trash around the basketball hoop, the playground, the parking lot, the "Doody Calls" station, the flower beds, and the tennis courts. She blows the leaves off the court for our weekend tennis players on most Fridays.

Before each clubhouse rental/use, she checks the following and cleans or addresses the what is needed: the bathroom off the main clubhouse room, the garbage containers, the many windows and glass doors, the floors of the foyer, bath room, kitchen and clubhouse, the provided supplies for the renters, the vacuum cleaner, the refrigerator and oven, among other issues that come up needing repair or replacement.

So it is with great pleasure that I write this article to share with the community, one of the people behind the scenes that has and continues to make this a better place. It's my belief that her efforts exemplify what the spirit of volunteerism is all about. So if you see her out and about, please do not hesitate to smile and tell her thanks for the great job she has done.

Submitted by Joan Koss

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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18 Clubhouse Rental 1-5pm
19	20	21 Board Meeting 7:30pm	22	23	24	25 Clubhouse Rental 7-11pm
26	27	28	29	30 Office Closed All Day	31 Clubhouse Rental All Day	Nov 1 Clubhouse Rental 5-10pm

October 2014