

THE MAINSTREAM



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No Hiddenbrook Easter Egg Hunt



Unfortunately, we will not be able to hold our annual Easter Egg Hunt at the Hiddenbrook clubhouse this year due to lack of volunteers to manage the event. We are truly sorry that this event is not possible this year and hope that next year, we will have volunteers to help us provide this fun time for the kids in our neighborhood. Check the local papers and also the Herndon Recreation Center for similar events that you may choose to attend.

Hiddenbrook Board of Directors



REMINDER:

**Don't forget to pay
your Swim and
Tennis Dues!**

Hiddenbrook Board of Directors

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

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IT'S YOUR MEMBERSHIP

The Hiddenbrook Swim & Tennis Club membership that you purchased is your personal asset. You are responsible for paying the dues as long as the membership is in your name; however, you are free to sell your membership at any time you choose. The membership dues must be kept current and paid by you or the new owners.

If you wish to sell your membership, you are free to set the sale price at whatever the market will pay for it. This may mean that you can sell it for more than you paid for it or it may mean selling it for less than your original purchase price. Because we get many inquiries about selling memberships this time of year, we offer this reminder of possible avenues to help you during the selling process:

Online Advertising:

- Include a link to the Hiddenbrookhomes.org page showing photos of the pool
- Craig's List
- HerndonPatch.org
- Other free online listings such as Facebook Yard Sales

Local Advertising:

- Bulletin boards in stores like giant or Panera Bread
- Post a note at your local church or in their newsletter
- Talk to families that may have recently moved into your neighborhood
- Know a realtor? Let your realtor friend know about it, maybe they have a buyer looking for a home in the area and having access to a local pool like Hiddenbrook is a great selling point!

Over the years, memberships have traded hands hundreds of times and if you put a little bit of effort and creativity into it, you should be able to find a buyer. Springtime is the best time to sell!



***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

ADULT FITNESS SWIM

Hiddenbrook will host an adult fitness swim program this summer, starting in late June. We'll be meeting Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 7:00am. Look for more details in future issues of the Mainstream.



UPCOMING EVENT

Saturday, May 16th 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. Information on dropping off items will be in the May edition of the Mainstream.

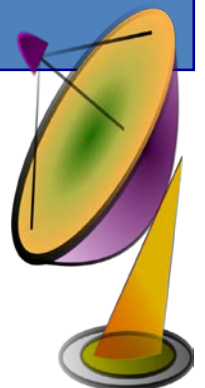
ARC INSPECTIONS

The Hiddenbrook ARC Committee will be performing community-wide inspections in April. As previously mentioned, 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. Inspections will be performed as viewed from a vehicle drive-by and when possible, photographs will be included with any letters sent to homeowners.



SATELLITE POLCY RESOLUTIONS

In the March 2015 board meeting, the Board passed Satellite Policy Resolution 2015-1 which specifically describes the guidelines for installation and maintenance of satellite dishes and antennas. A copy of this policy can be found on the Hiddenbrookhomes.org website on the "Documents" page. Please refer to this document before installing or moving either an antenna or satellite dish on your property.



YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

In light of the recent incident near our walking path by the Folly Lick Stream, this was a sad chapter in the history of our community. Perhaps this is a good time to remember that we, as neighbors, are truly our best hope for creating a safe and happy environment for our families to live in. Luckily this was a rare incident and if we work together, maybe, just maybe, we can keep it that way.

We are fortunate to have nice homes, green lawns, beautiful trees, clean streets and the freedom to enjoy them all. Our children are free to play together and remain safe under the watchful eye of neighboring adults when necessary. That has been the profile of this neighborhood for a long time now. We have to work even harder now to make it true.

We have opportunities to get to know our neighbors and contribute to, as well as share, the bounty of life in our own community. Getting to know those neighbors closest to you, as well as those elsewhere in the community, will help forge a network of communication and safety that should protect all of us, young and old. This neighborhood always has been, and always will be, what we want it to be. We have worked hard to improve communication throughout the neighborhood but we need your help too. **It really does take a village!**

Think about this:

- Keep a watchful eye out for our children and the activities they engage in
- Remind the children to use the “Buddy System” when leaving your sight
- Observe the normal ebb and flow of activity on your street – report anything or anyone suspicious to the proper authorities
- Have emergency phone numbers available to your children and make sure they know who they should call first (the person closest in proximity)
- Check in on neighbors who may need assistance from time to time
- Adults should use the “Buddy System” when walking, running, or bicycling the path or other areas that appear questionable, even in daylight
- Make an effort to be aware of your surroundings at all times
- Lock your car doors and house at night and especially when you are away
- Make sure all windows and garage doors are locked
- Don’t leave things out that draw unwanted attention
- Use your sixth sense to detect when something just isn’t right and then do something about it
- **Fairfax Police Emergency : Dial 911**
- **Fairfax Police Non-Emergency: 703-691-2131**



NOTE: The annual spring cleanup at Folly Lick Stream has been a collaborative effort with our neighbors in Kingston Chase for several years and we include this reminder every year in our newsletter. In light of the incident that recently occurred at Folly Lick, we understand that entering this area might be difficult for some residents.

Spring Clean Up

Hello Friends,

It sure feels like we've had a rough winter. What better way to bring in the long-awaited spring than a cleaning up the Folly Lick Branch Stream Park! We will have had lots of trash washed down by the rain and melting snow runoff, so there should be plenty to clean up. The date for the clean-up is April 11, 2015, starting at 9:00 am and going until 12:00 pm. Again this year we will have two assembly points. The regular one at the park entrance on Milliken's Bend Rd. and another at the KCHOA Clubhouse.

These cleanups are listed on the Annual Potomac River Watershed Cleanup which takes place at over 500 sites in DC, Maryland, Virginia, Pennsylvania and West Virginia. Information is also available at <http://trashnetwork.fergusonfoundation.org/>. Feel free to look up this site and, of course, share this site info with all your friends and neighbors! This cleanup is conducted by residents of the surrounding communities to take care of our neighborhood park that so many of us enjoy all year. So come out, join in and enjoy a beautiful spring morning cleaning up your park! For more information please contact Jim Palmer via e-mail at jpalmer57@cox.net or the KCHOA Conservation Corps at conservation@kchoa.org.

See you all Sat. morning!

Jim Palmer

10 Reasons Why.....

The Hiddenbrook Board of Directors is currently looking for some more neighbors to get involved with our HOA and the various committees that help create a wonderful place for all of us to live. Maybe you have thought about getting involved, but not sure where to start? You can come to an HOA meeting, which are held every third Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm at the Hiddenbrook Clubhouse, or contact a committee chair or board member to learn more about a certain committee. Those names and email addresses can be found in this newsletter, or on the Hiddenbrook website at www.hiddenbrookhomes.org.

If you are sitting on the fence about whether to volunteer with the HOA, here are the Top Ten Reasons to Get Involved with your Community!

1. Protect your self-interests. Protect your property values and maintain the quality of life in your community.
2. Help correct a problem that you see in the neighborhood. Do you think maybe maintenance has been neglected? Then join the Architectural Review Committee.
3. Be sociable. Meet your neighbors, make friends, and exchange opinions.
4. Give back. Repay a little of what's been done for you.
5. Advance your career. Build your personal resume by including your community volunteer service.
6. Have some fun. Association work isn't drudgery. It's fun accomplishing good things with your neighbors.
7. Get educated about how an association works with the county, state, and federal laws.
8. Express yourself. Help with creative projects like community beautification and social events.
9. Show your children how to give back to your community, and get them involved also!
10. Try some altruism. Improve society by helping others.

Please consider donating some of your valuable time to the Hiddenbrook Community! Even if you just have an hour a month, you can make a difference!



April Clubhouse Calendar

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

