

The Mainstream

HIDDENBROOK HOMES ASSOCIATION

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Hiddenbrook Board Has 2 Openings—Get Involved in Your Neighborhood!

Have an interest in serving on the Hiddenbrook board of directors? We need neighborhood residents and/or pool members to help make important decisions about our community and pool.

One board position needs to be filled immediately (this position expires Dec. 31, 2008, but will be re-appointed for a three-year term) and another three-year position will be open starting in January. The board typically meets the third Tuesday of each month

Apply by sending a letter to the Hiddenbrook office, PO Box 582, Herndon, VA 20172 or email:

hiddenbrook_homes@hotmail.com.

Neighborhood Watch ... you can stay informed

Send your email address to Steve Lowery at suki-oner@worldnet.att.net for periodic notices and to be a part of Hiddenbrook's passive Neighborhood Watch program. Remember to report all suspicious activity to the police by calling (703) 691-2131.

www.hiddenbrookhomes.org will be up and running soon! Please check it out for neighborhood, pool and ACC information.



SAVE THE DATE:
Hiddenbrook's Annual Halloween Party will be on Friday, Oct. 31st, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. in the Hiddenbrook Clubhouse.

All kids ages 2 - 10 are invited for snacks and fun games to celebrate the day.
Please RSVP by calling Marybeth Henry at 703-742-6694 or via e-mail at momsonline@juno.com We'll see you there!

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Hurricanes:

Swim Team News



by Marcel Van Vierssen

As summer ends and the pool closes, I reminisce about our swim team season. Summer swim teams are unique in that they are the only sport that has a community-based, family-based team that allows kids from ages 4-18 to compete together equally.
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Hiddenbrook Homes Association

Board of Directors—3rd Tuesday of the month, 7:30pm

President	Stephanie McClellan	703-437-5340
Vice President	Charles Roswell	703-904-8185
Treasurer/Sec	Dave Sutula	703-470-7615
Director	Bryan Schulke	703-318-2142

Committee Chairpersons

ACC	Kathy Cooper	703-318-7159
Nbhd. Watch	Steve Lowry	703-437-5783
Pool	Kathy Briggs	703-318-7159
Social	Marybeth Henry	703-742-6694
Tennis	Sheri Fairchild	703-707-0724

Club Chairpersons

Swim Team Rep.	Leslie Petty	703-450-4372
Swim Team Pres.	Marcel VanViersson	703-404-0011
Swim Team VP	Martha Marino	703-796-6862

Committee Members

ACC: Jeanne Little, Sandy Coyner, Tyler Maxey, Johathan Saunders and Randy Tapsell. Meets 2nd Tuesday of the month, 7pm.

Neighborhood Watch: Steve Dyer

Pool: Nancy Fehrle and Sheri Fairchild

Tennis: Richard Goulet and David Shupp

Social: Dale Robinson, Jeanne Clark and Risa Mayan

Please contact the relevant committee Chairperson, any of the five Board Members or the business office with concerns or issues you wish to discuss.

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Hiddenbrook HOA

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Office Hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Office phone/fax: (703) 318-7159

Seasonal pool phone: (703) 437-9736

Architectural Control Committee News

The ACC meets the second Tuesday of each month. Applications from homeowners for changes to their house or property must be received no later than the Friday before the meeting. **Next meeting dates are Tuesday, Oct 14 and Nov. 11.**

Please keep in mind the following excerpt from these guidelines when choosing to **re-place or repaint your front entrance door, garage door and/or shutters:**

“The front entrance door(s) to the living area must be metal or wood, similar in appearance to the type used for the original and blending with the rest of the home and neighboring homes. Front entrance doors with a glass area exceeding two (2) square feet will not be approved. Storm doors must be in harmony with the style of the home and painted the same color as the entrance door. The glass area restriction does not apply to storm doors. Garage doors must be of the paneled type identical or very similar to the original. The storm and entrance door color must be the same as the approved shutter color or the casing trim color. The garage door color must be the same as the approved casing trim color. Committee approval is required for door replacements and additions.”

Copies of the guidelines and application forms can be obtained through the Hiddenbrook office or website: hiddenbrookhomes.org. Please note that applications must be mailed to PO Box 582, Herndon, VA 20170 or emailed to: hiddenbrook_homes@hotmail.com.



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This year we had 125 kids, from about 80 families, on the Hiddenbrook Hurricanes Swim Team (*we always have room for more—please consider joining next summer or this winter*). Many of our youngest kids participated in our developmental program, known as the Water-spouts. We saw great improvements from many kids, but more importantly, a fun time was had by all.

At the end of the season, Hiddenbrook hosted the NVSL Divisonal Meet for division 12, featuring six teams and more than 300 swimmers. Many volunteers worked hard the week leading up to the meet and had the entire pool grounds sparkling. We even had a crew picking up trash, weeding the flower beds, and weed-whacking around the grounds. Many compliments on the pool were heard from our guests.

The meet was a huge success with two of our swimmers, Haley Magee and Anne Richards, qualifying for the exclusive NVSL All-star Meet. A big ‘thank you’ to all the volunteers who put in so much time before and during Divisionals.

Preparation has already begun for next season. Hiddenbrook has a once-per-week **winter swim program**. This program is coached by our head coach Neal Jarvis and several assistants. The swim is held Sundays, 4-5pm, at the Herndon Community Center. If you are interested in enrolling your child, please send an email to hiddenbrookswimteam@gmail.com. It is not required that you were on the team this past summer; in fact, this is a great way for new swimmers to prepare for next summer.

Finally, I want to thank everyone who supported the team this year through the Snack Shack. Every dollar made at the Shack went towards funding the Hurricanes Swim Team. We’re looking forward to having the Shack operational on opening day next year, and another successful season for the Hurricanes.

[Editor’s note: Thanks go to the Swim Team and its volunteers for cooking up hamburgers and hotdogs for pool members on Labor Day. What a great way to end the summer swim season!]



Hiddenbrook Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

The following are condensed minutes from the July and August board meetings. Budget and expense reports for homeowners and swim and tennis members are always available in the Hiddenbrook office.

- The reserve study will be scheduled with Mason & Mason.
- The the new Hiddenbrook directory will be completed soon.
- A survey of the association-owned fence that may be placed in the Columbia Gas easement will be completed.
- The deadline to renew the management contract with NV Pools is due Sept. 15. Management options were discussed.
- The water heater thermostat for the pool bathrooms will be replaced when swim team season ends so that the work can be done in the morning.
- Information about renovation work on the pool bathrooms will be submitted to potential contractors for bid. Work will take place in the off season.
- Red Fehrle has resigned from the board as treasurer. Assistant treasurer Dave Sutula agreed to serve as treasurer and VP Charles Roswell agreed to serve as assistant treasurer.
- Facilities maintenance issues: the rear deck is in bad shape, we have about \$18,000 reserved to complete in 2008; water saver showerheads will be installed in the pool bathrooms; and a bid for pool caulking will go out.

The next Board of Directors meeting dates are Tuesday, Sept. 16 and Tuesday, Oct. 21, both at 7:30pm

Police Offer Tips —

Don't Be a Victim of Thefts from Vehicles

The Fairfax County Police Reston District Station continues to see an increase in thefts from vehicles (i.e. GPS units, purses, etc.).

The police have 10 TIPS TO KNOCK OUT CRIME:

1. Lock your car doors everywhere you go, even in your driveway. Remove the valet key from the owner's manual.

2. Keep your garage door closed at all times.

3. Remove GPS, iPods and other electronic devices from your windshield and store them out of sight. Be sure to wipe the suction cup mark off of the windshield.

4. Remove valuables, purses, keys and spare change from your car.

5. Keep your cell phone with you and charged at all times.

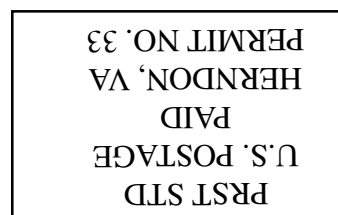
6. Be aware of your surroundings— know where you are.

7. Do not leave your car running and unattended, this gives thieves a “running start.”

8. Visit www.annualcreditreport.com for your free credit report to help protect your identity.

9. Trust your instincts, if it doesn't feel right, it probably isn't.

10. Report suspicious activity to the police by calling 703-691-2131.



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