

**Hickory Ridge
Homeowners
Association**

hickoryridgeohio.net

June/July 2008

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More Volunteers Needed!

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BOARD  **“BUZZ”**

Here Comes Summer!



Enjoy!

Board Briefs...



June Board Meeting

The Board met on Tues. June 10 at the Rec. Center. Present were Sandi Chudzinski, Jim Anderson, Lisa Jagielo, Eileen Fitzsimmons, Jessica Parker and Harold Young. Nick Ciofani and Shirley Mainello were absent.

Harold Young and Jim Anderson recently spent 5 hours walking the property performing the spring site review. They updated the builder's to-do list as well as putting together a maintenance list and tree & shrub replacement list for all buildings.

Our side streets and the rec. center parking lot are all due to be cleaned and sealed this year. If we need to close your street for a day, you will get advanced notice on your front door. In preparation for the paving of Hickory Ridge, the driveway aprons (curved side edge at the street) and parking pads will be repaired by the association. This is an improvement, funded by our reserves.

The association's attorneys are still working with the city to ensure that Hickory Ridge Dr. will be repaired completely and paved as well as all items on our punch list completed prior to the end of the construction.

A meeting was held with Hastings' guard supervisor to review and clarify pool rules and the items required by our contract.

When the guards start their shift, anyone already in the pool will be asked to sign in and show their pass. This will ensure that everyone in the pool is a resident or guest. The guards will be checking passes, but do not have passes to issue. Residents must send in their Registration form to Young's Mgmt. All passes will be mailed.

Our website is up and running thanks to the numerous hours of work by our web-master Ricardo Verlezza of Crownwood Ct. We now

have several properties for sale by association members listed on the website. Look for the pictures posted from some recent social activities as well as an event calendar. Sign up to receive email notices of updates to the website. We have received lots of positive feedback.

The speed limit has been changed to 25 mph to comply with state speed limit laws so that the police will patrol Hickory Ridge regularly and enforce the speed limit. The new sign at the entrance is required so all drivers know this procedure is in place.

The Board had the amendment revised that would potentially transfer the responsibility for the roof and siding replacement from each homeowner to the association without the upfront payment added to maintenance fees. The cost of the roof or siding replacement would be billed as each building needs replaced. Owners would receive notice about a year prior to the work starting date. The Board sent the amendment back to the attorneys for clarification of the wording.

An additional amendment was requested to potentially transfer the replacement costs for shrubs and trees in the foundation beds to home owners. Both amendments will be sent out for a vote of home owners later this summer.

Suggested locations for additional visitor parking pads were given to Riskru for installation in the new construction area.

Reminder: On street parking is prohibited by city law. We have private roads that are not wide enough to support both parking and emergency vehicle clearance. **Cars will be towed that are parked in the street.**

THE BOTTOM LINE



Checking.....	\$32,897
Reserves.....	\$176,950
Total	\$212,951

Monthly financial statements are available to all owners by calling Young's Property Mgmt.

Reminder:

If you are behind on your maintenance fees and have received a delinquency letter, you are not entitled to use our amenities—including the pool and renting the rec. center.

The guard gets a list each month of residents prohibited from using the pool.

Save yourself embarrassment and pay your maintenance fees on time.

Trash Can Tip:

Put stick-on numbers or write your address in magic marker in the lid or on the side of your trash can and recycle bins. Then it can be returned if it blows away,

PLEASE! Do not throw bags of "doggie-do" on the top of the rec. center dumpster.

Dispose of all animal waste in your own trash can.



This is just common sense!

Community Corner

Social Committee Update

Summer Picnic/Luau
Saturday June 28 4 pm
Cost \$5, \$3 kids 10 under

Fried chicken and brats will be served. Please bring a side dish or a dessert to share.

Wear your best Hawaiian shirt or grass skirt.

Call Gloria to rsvp by June 25 (330) 422-010



Ice Cream Social
(Coming in July)

A garage sale will be held later this summer. Call Neva Slates at (330) 626 5827 if you are interested in participating or helping to organize or promote this year's event.



Assert your right to make a few mistakes. If people can't accept your imperfections, that's their fault.

-- Dr. David M. Burns

Recycle Empty Ink Cartridges and Cell Phones

Streetsboro's Greenspace Committee has a new project to promote environmental awareness and also help raise funds for grants to buy land for preservation and parks.

Empty ink jet and toner cartridges and old cell phones are being collected to be recycled. They can be dropped off at any City Hall entrance, at the Streetsboro



Earth Day - Every Day

Police station, the Chamber of Commerce and Home Savings Bank. There is also a bag on the door at 701 Gold Leaf Ct. inside the storm door.

Better To Be Safe Than Sorry

Exterior changes to the outside appearance of your home, including changing landscaping, patios, storm doors, mulch, etc. must be approved by the Design Review Committee **prior** to any changes being made. As some residents have found out the hard way—it is up to the discretion of the board to officially ok changes, and a few have had to be "un-done."

Adopt a Tree

The Board decided not to replace the dead pine trees planted last year. (Correction to info in the last newsletter)

If you have an empty mulch circle in your yard, you may plant a tree there if you wish. Just call Young's Mgmt. **first** to check on appropriate trees. Certain trees grow too large for some areas, especially close to buildings or to other trees.

We will have a "Memorial Tree" planting procedure similar to Sunny Lake's in Aurora. Plant a tree to honor someone special! More info next month!

2008 BOARD MEETINGS


July 8*
August 12
September 10*
October 14
November 11*
December 9
Board Meetings: Tues. at 6:30.
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--Charles Dickens

Etc., Etc., Etc....

Hickory Ridge Website

www.hickoryridgeohio.net

Our website is up and running!

It features the following info:

- Newsletters
- Printable monthly event calendar
- HOA Documents
- Location Map
- Photos of Hickory Ridge
- Units for Sale

Homeowners —free advertising!
To list your home, contact Ricardo at our website (webmaster@hickoryridgeohio.net)

We are requesting any digital photos that anyone has of the property for the website. Email them to Ricardo at email address above.

Nice Try

On a lonely, moonlit country road, a young man's car engine started to cough. Immediately pulling over to a scenic little spot, he said to the young lady next to him, "That's funny, I wonder what that knocking noise was."

"I'll tell you one thing for sure," said the girl coolly. "It wasn't opportunity."

"I have lost friends, some by death... others through sheer inability to cross the street."

Virginia Woolf

"You find yourself refreshed by the presence of cheerful people. Why not make an honest effort to confer that

pleasure on others? Half the battle is gained if you never allow yourself to say anything gloomy."

-- Lydia M. Child



Laws of Life

Law of Mechanical Repair: After your hands become coated with grease, your nose will begin to itch.

Law of the Workshop: Any tool, when dropped, will roll to the least accessible corner.

Law of Probability: The probability of being watched is directly proportional to the stupidity of your act.

Law of the Alibi: If you tell the boss you were late for work because you had a flat tire, the very next morning you will have a flat tire.

Law of Close Encounters: The probability of meeting someone you know increases dramatically when you are with someone you don't want to be seen with (or for women, when you don't have your make-up on).

Law of the Result: When you try to prove to someone that a machine won't work, it will.

Law of Biomechanics: The severity of the itch is inversely proportional to the reach.

Law of the Theater: At any event, the people whose seats are furthest from the aisle arrive last.

Law of Location: No matter where you go, there you are.

Law of Logical Argument: Anything is possible if you don't know what you are talking about.

Brown's Law: If the shoe fits, it's ugly.

Irv's Law: A closed mouth gathers no feet.

Doctors' Law: If you don't feel well, make an appointment to go to the doctor. By the time you get there, you'll feel better. Don't make an appointment and you'll stay sick.

New ID

Upon retiring from the service, my husband, Don, needed a new ID card showing he had gone from active duty to retirement status. But the photo taken of him was not particularly good and he wasn't at all quiet about it.

"If I have to carry that ID around with me for the rest of my life," he complained to the photographer, "I want a better picture."

"Want a better picture?" asked the photographer defiantly. "Then bring us a better face!"

Where's the Road?

A friend and I were driving in the country looking for an address. We found the town, but we couldn't locate the road.

We drove to the police station, but they'd never heard of the road. Neither had the Fire Department. We went to City Hall, where a community get together was going on. We consulted a map, with no luck, until we happened to ask one young man who knew exactly where the road was. He pointed to the map, showing us exactly how to get there.

I said, "Thank you! Are you with the police or the Fire Department?"

"Neither. I deliver pizzas."

Craft Store Robbery

One day, we saw a news report on TV about the owner of a craft shop and one of her employees who had apprehended a would-be thief and held him captive until the police arrived to arrest him.

As we listened to the story, my grandson commented dryly, "What did they do? Hold him at needlepoint?"