

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- Executive Budget meeting for homeowners on September 17th!
- New Sections for readers in upcoming issues: Want to write a letter to the editor? Or to the President? Please submit it to: jgerty@msn.com.
- Changing of the Head of Social Committee.

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Message from the President's Desk...

I would like to thank everyone in Birkdale for allowing me to serve you and the community for the past 2 years. It has truly been a pleasure to work with this board and all of you. My position along with two (2) others is available in October. The annual meeting will be held on Oct 15th at 6:30pm also on that date we will hold a special meeting. I will be running again for the board and if you approve of the job I have done I would appreciate your vote in the upcoming election. If there is anyone out there who would like to run for the board we would greatly appreciate it.

There will be an executive meeting on Monday September the 17th at 7pm. The meeting is open to all homeowners and we will be going over the budget for next year. This is an executive meet-

ing so there will be no member voice but you are more than welcome to listen in.

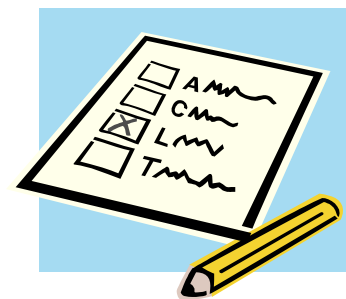
I need to remind dog owners that there is a leash law in Chesterfield and that our ARC Standards (Section VII, 7.03) state that we are subject to Chesterfield County ordinances regarding licensing, "leash laws" and clean-up of animal waste material. I have received several complaints about neighbor's dogs running at large and doing what dogs do best in other yards. You can find more information on Chesterfield's ordinances by visiting <http://chesterfieldcounty.gov/PublicSafety/AnimalControl/animal.asp>. Please be neighborly and clean up after your pet and keep your dogs on a leash.

As the summer comes to an end please remember to slow down

for the kids as they go to and from the school bus. Remember the police will be targeting this area for speeders.

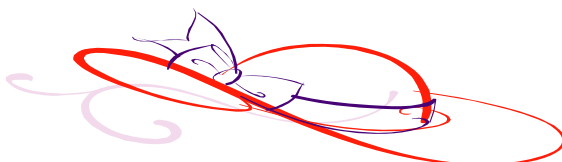
Again thank you for those of you who have given me your support for the past 2 years. I look forward to serving you again and would appreciate your votes. Have a great September and hopefully the temperatures will cool down for us so we can do some much needed lawn care.

SEMPER FIDELIS
Ted Lempke



Red Hat Society

The Birkdale Belles will meet on September 8th in the Clubhouse at 12 noon in full regalia. RSVP A MUST! (The clubhouse needs an accurate head count) Please contact Judy at 739-3456 As soon As possible or e-mail danlynch36@comcast.net Bring a dessert to share..



Mom's Club

Dear Fellow Moms,

Welcome back to the new school year! This year, I want to really organize us so that we can make the most of this community group. Therefore, I am looking for people to volunteer to be babysitter coordinators, walking group coordinators, and brainstormers for activities that we can do with our children, both during school hours and after. Please e-mail with your interest to jgerty@msn.com. Thank you and I look forward to a happy and safe year for all of us!

Best,
Jen Gerty

Financial Report...

As of August 28, 2007, the Association held the following investments:



Cash-First Association Bank DDA	\$ 45,022.63
MMA Capital One	\$ 2,373.88
CD Capital One 2/10 4.24%	\$ 38,179.54*
CD Capital One 1/08 5.48%	\$ 20,434.25*
CD Provident 3/12 5.25%	\$ 43,200.41*
CD-First Capital Bank 8/07 4.78%	\$ 23,373.59*
Legg Mason Investment Accounts	
CD Harleysville Bank 7/09 4.30%	\$10,000.00
CD Discover Bank 7/10 4.45%	\$10,000.00
MMA Vanguard	<u>\$42,003.11</u>
Total Cash	\$242,411.81

Financial report prepared by Dave Trammel Through 8/28/2007

If you would like to join an organization or contact a member, please feel free to reach out to any of the people listed here!

Community Contact Names and Numbers

Help/Complaint Line	<i>Project-Care@yahoo.com</i>	
Women's Club	Linda Bramble	739-2663
Swim Team	Tony Migliazzo	739-0867
Neighborhood Watch	Sheila Newman	739-8488
Maintenance/Grounds	Joe Vanarsdall	739-2706
	Doug Thomas	739-8144
Investment Club	Dottie Parker	639-1896
Birkdale Clubhouse		739-8800
Restaurant		739-8305
Mom's Group	Jen Gerty/ jgerty@msn.com	739-1177
Newsletter	Jen Gerty/ jgerty@msn.com	739-1177
Social Committee	Alisha Brady	744-6746
	Birkdale_events@yahoo.com	
Red Hat Society	Judy Lynch	739-3456

Birkdale Golf Club News (repeated from August by popular demand)

Over the next 6-8 weeks we will begin the daunting task of remarking the golf course and erecting white out of bounds stakes between golf course and homeowner property. We have the official county map showing our property lines and will be placing white posts into the ground at 25-30 yard intervals. The purpose of this is to allow the golfer to know where he is entitled to hit his golf ball from, and to encourage him not to play from homeowner backyards that may not be clearly marked. It is clear that some homeowners have encroached onto golf course land, and have even started landscaping and watering these areas. In these rare circumstances, we plan to work with the Homeowners Association to discuss the encroachment prior to erecting these wooden posts. If you are unsure of your property line adjacent to golf

course property, please feel free to contact me.

On a lighter note, this year we have made the commitment to the membership that we will keep the pool open during September at week-ends for the members to enjoy. Unlike many of the other local pools, we believe that with warm weather conditions, members should be able to enjoy the pool as long as the season will allow.

Many of the homeowners living adjacent to the main lake may have seen the continued discoloring of the water and the constant silt that is being forced downstream from The Woods of Summerford and Collington housing develop-

ments. We have recently committed a substantial amount of money to hire a company to come upstream of the main lake and have a large quantity of the silt removed. I truly hope that this will leave us with a cleaner and healthier lake!

I have continued to meet with Ted Lempke and Matt DiNardo to discuss any relevant homeowner issues. I look forward to continuing our relationship with their forward thinking upbeat thought process for the community as a whole.

Mike Hatch
General Manager

A Letter From the Vice President...

September is here and school is back in session, so let us please be careful on our streets as we have many school age children in Birkdale. Just a casual reminder the speed limit is 25mph in Birkdale.

Our next board meeting in mid September will be the budget meeting. We will discuss funds, projects, groups, activities and anything else that requires a budget from your quarterly dues. If you are part of a group that will need to request a budget from the board for the calendar year of 2008 there is a procedure that must be followed.

- At the budget preparation meeting, please state the requirements, justifications and time table.
- Describe the use of the funds being requested.
- State if any person is to be compensated and the amount.
- Describe the types of financial statements, books, reports and audit controls to be used by the organization.

Provide an annual financial report to the member and to the board for the Birkdale Community Association.

You will need to send your budget requests to: David Trammell, Account Manager, Community Group, Inc. 4222 Cox Road, Suite 110, Glen Allen, Va, 23060. Or you can email the requests to him at dtrammell@communitygroup.com, please mark the subject area as Birkdale Budget Request.

Also, it is nearly time for elections and we will have three openings on the board of directors. The annual meeting will be held on Monday, October 15th, 2007. However, if you would like to volunteer for the board you will need to submit your paper work no later than Friday, September 28th, 2007. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please write a brief (150 words or less) biographical sketch containing any prior Association, civic or community experience, the length of time living at Birkdale and any other information that would assist homeowners in voting for you. You will need to email or mail that information to email@communitygroup.com or you can send it to Birkdale Community Association, Inc. 4222 Cox Road, Suite 110, Glen Allen, VA, 23060.

The board meeting on October 15th, 2007, will not only be the annual meeting but we will also call for a special session. In this special session we will attempt to begin the voting process to change our master protections by way of an amendment. This amendment will allow the board of directors to adopt any and all new lots/homes into the Birkdale Homeowners Association. We will need a turn out of 10% of the homeowners from Birkdale (a representative from 67 individual homes) for this special meeting to commence. Please help us and help out your neighbors by correcting this clause in the master protections.

We will also be bringing back a board that used to be part of our association. It was called the Covenants Committee. This board will consist of five members. One will come from the board of directors, another from the ARC committee, which means we will need three representatives from our community. This board will listen to residents who have been cited as non-compliant with our architectural standards but want to grieve their citation. The complaint and decision rendered will be done in an open forum.

You may have noticed that Verizon has been working throughout the community over the past couple of weeks. They are continuing the installation of their FIOS service. Unfortunately during this installation there have been numerous reports of broken sprinkler heads or even broken water lines. If you have suffered damage to your irrigation system from this installation you need to call Verizon immediately at 1-888-553-1555, this is their repair line, and it is open 24 hours a day. You will need to navigate through the computer operator to get to a customer service agent to take the complaint. Usually within 72 hours a representative will get back to you and have the problem rectified. We, as a board, are also working with them so that we can get the new vinyl fence along Winterpock Road replaced. This fence was destroyed during the installation of the main FIOS line into our neighborhood.

If you have a complaint about something that you see that fails the ARC standards and guidelines, but wish to remain anonymous please, feel free to use the ARC email, projectcares@yahoo.com.

If you would like to discuss Birkdale matters with other residents, one of our residents, Marty Wood, created an online forum for Birkdale. You can find it at www.birkdalecommunity.org. In this forum you can discuss general topics, ask specific questions to the board about Birkdale, or discuss some of the other social groups that are available in Birkdale.

As always if you have a question or concern that you would like to discuss in private with me, you can reach me through my home phone at 739-3162, or via email at mattyd23@verizon.net.

Enjoy the last remaining weeks of summer!

Matt DiNardo

Birkdale Women's Club News

Thanks to all who attended the Birkdale Women's Club Open House in August and to all the Board members who helped make it a success!! We had a great time sharing our plans for the new season and signing up our returning members, as well as new members! We will have a business meeting for all our members and prospective members on Thursday, September 13th at 7:00 p.m. at the Birkdale Clubhouse. If

you couldn't be with us at the Open House, please plan to join us as we sign up for committees and events, as well as October Wine Tasting at the Clubhouse. Please bring your checkbook if you plan to attend the Wine Tasting. The cost for the October Wine Tasting is \$12.00. Our speaker for September will be a representative from the Richmond YWCA, the sponsor of Maybelle's House in Chesterfield County.

The Birkdale Golf Club will host two free clinics for Birkdale Women's Club members in September! If you have not already done so, please sign up by calling Carol Lewis, our Vice President, at 739-7617. Golf lessons will take place on Monday, September 10th at 6:00 p.m. Please meet at the Driving Range. Tennis lessons will take place on Tuesday, September 11th at 6:00 p.m. Please meet at the Tennis Courts.

Chesterfield Women's League

The first meeting of the Chesterfield Women's League for 2007-08 will be held on Wednesday, September 19, 2007 from 9:30 AM - 12 noon at: Foxcroft Clubhouse * 15100 Fox Club Parkway * Midlothian, VA 23112

Meetings feature guest speakers or other special activities of interest to women. Whether you are new to the community or a long time resident, the League offers many opportunities to make new friends get involved in a host of interest groups and help your community through supporting local charities. Guests are always welcome.

The Birkdale Community Association 2007 Board Members

Ted Lempke, President	399-2411	tedlempke@verizon.net
Matt DiNardo, Vice President	739-3162	mattyd23@verizon.net
Dani Fink, Secretary	639-1323	danifink1@comcast.net
Dan Lynch, Treasurer	739-3456	danlynch36@comcast.net
James Adams, Member at large		
David Trammell, Community Group	270-1800	dtrammell@communitygroup.com

Please call if you have questions or would like to get involved in your community.



Birkdale Events September 2007

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Schedule of Events

- } September 24—deadline for all contributions to next month's newsletter.
- } September 17—board meeting
- } September 8—Birkdale Belle's Red Hat Society NOON
- } If you are a club member, remember to check your calendar for special events!

Help Spread the Joy of Reading

Birkdale Women's Club First Annual Book Drive

The Birkdale Women's Club is collecting gently used books for tots to adults. The books will be given to Spring Run Elementary School, St. Francis Hospital and the Meals on Wheels program.

We start collecting now and will continue until the day of the Birkdale Community Yard Sale, Saturday, October 6th!

Please donate all your good books to The Women's Club by 10/6/07. Marlene Barry (639-1460), our Outreach coordinator, will be near the Goodwill Truck at the Birkdale Clubhouse from Noon until 3:00 p.m.

PLEASE DO HELP US KEEP READING ALIVE!

Social Committee News

Dear Birkdale,

After two exciting years as the Chairperson of the Social Committee, it is time that I relinquish my crown to a wonderful neighbor. Alisha Brady will assume the role of Chair beginning in September. I have the utmost confidence that she will lead this neighborhood in our tradition of fabulous parties.

Thank you to everyone who has supported me in my role, either by participating in an event, or assisting in the preparation. Thank you also

To everyone who attended Margaritaville; we had a blast! To anyone who has not attended a Social Committee sponsored event, I encourage you to take part; this neighborhood is very friendly and inclusive of all. Come out and join the fun at our Homeowners' Appreciation Day in October.

Sincerely,
Chelsey Kidd



Dear Birkdale Homeowners,

I have had the great pleasure of working with Chelsey Kidd and the other social committee members since the beginning of this year. As Chelsey is now looking toward many more exciting opportunities in the community, I wanted to take this chance to introduce myself as your new Social Committee Chair Person. I have lived in Chesterfield County for 11 years and have especially enjoyed living in Birkdale for 2 of those years. Birkdale has given us a real sense of community and brought great joy to my family. We enjoy many aspects of the neighborhood and are especially

excited about continuing the great work that Chelsey and the other members of the committee have accomplished. I am particularly interested in hearing your thoughts and suggestions about events you'd like to see in our neighborhood in 2008, as we are currently in the planning process. Feel free to contact me at Birkdale_events@yahoo.com.

All my best,
Alisha Brady

WELCOME

BIRKDALE NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

Birkdale held a number of Block Parties on National Night Out (NNO) this year. Residents and Block Captains are to be commended for coming out on this very hot evening. The goal of NNO is for neighbors to meet, get to know and enjoy their neighbors. The Chesterfield County Law Enforcement, along with McGruff visited the parties and everyone seemed to be having an enjoyable time. Ted Lempke cooked barbecue all day for his gang, Ainsdale had a Great Potluck and some had a bring your chair, drink, and sit and chat awhile party..

The following streets had parties on NNO hosted by their block captains:

Ainsdale Lane –Lori and John.Leonhirth
Thorton Heath Drive – Lisa Porter
SinningdaleTerrace – Jim & Pam Smith
Seabrook Circle – Jean and Norm Borthwick
Ashbourne Hollow Circle – Carol & Doug Cox
Emerald Dunes Circle – Ted & Michelle Lempke
Section 15 Avalon – Sheila & Gary Newman, Doris & Joe Vanarsdall

Spyglass Hill Circle – Pat & Larry Rock
Spyglass Hill Terrace – Jackie & John Ratcliff
Spyglass Hill turn – Jo & Terri Matthews
Pebble Beach Court - Betty Abbott & Carol Lewis
Sawgrass Place – Jason & Melissa Bate-man

Several other Block Captains are planning a Fall Block Party, to take advantage of the cooler weather. It is important that new neighbors are greeted, introduced to their neighbors and become a part of Neighborhood Watch. A Block Party held at any time is a good way to get out and get to know the residents on your street. Everyone in Birkdale is part of NW to help to keep our community safe. If you are not registered on the NW email address book to receive updates and alerts from the Chesterfield County Police, you can register by sending your name, address, phone number and email address to BirkdaleNW@comcast.net or calling Sheila Newman at 739-8488. .

This month we have 2 more streets with **100% participation** in NW. They are



Spyglass Hill Turn and Spyglass Hill Terrace. We ask that you encourage everyone on your street to become involved in NW. As of this writing, we have 13 streets that have 100% of households on the street registered.. Currently we have 2 streets that don't have a block captain. Emerald Valley Circle and Easton Ridge. If you live on one of these two streets and enjoy meeting your neighbors and can spare a little time, being a block captain may be right for you. Please contact NW with your interest.