

Homeowners Association Newsletter

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## **NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Hope everyone that participated in the Annual Yard sale had a successful one! It looked like we had a great turnout. There seemed to be a lot of people out browsing and homeowners that had items out.

The annual HOA meeting is in September – please watch for flyers coming out with more details.

I would like everyone to keep in mind that two positions for the board will be up for election at this meeting. If you would like to be a part of the Board of Directors (BOD), please fill out an application form and submit to the BOD.

Also, we are going to have a 1<sup>st</sup> annual fall yard sale. It is slated for Sept 28<sup>th</sup> and will run between 8 am-12 pm. We have approximately 150 families in our neighborhood, and we will be advertising this information in *The State* newspaper.

Jon Handrock President – Longs Pond HOA 2012-2013



# Save the Date!

The Long's Pond Estates 2013 General Meeting will be held on Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30

pm. A casual meet and greet will begin at 6:30 pm in our Common lot followed by the meeting at 7 pm. The HOA will provide refreshments, so bring your lawn chairs and get ready to get to know your neighbors. We hope to see everyone there!

## **WELCOMING COMMITTEE**

Welcome to:

Travis and Natasha Garris at 1422 Knotts Haven Loop. They moved from Red Bank and have a son named Christian. Travis and Natasha have been together and married for 6 years.

We also want to welcome:

Steve and Suzanne Peterson at 1441 Knotts Haven Loop. Steve said they have been trying to get in Longs Pond for three years! They have four children and moved over from the Bridleridge Neighborhood. Suzanne is a middle school algebra teacher in Pelion.

And...

Donald and Lori Hardy at 1301 Knotts Haven Loop. The Hardy's moved from VA so Lori could go to work for Colonial Life. Don works in construction. They have a 3 year old boy named Zachery.

And finally...

William and Patty Keeler at 1430 Knotts Haven Loop.

Doug Bolin Welcoming Committee

## **GOVERNING BY REPRESENTATION**

Community associations are a representative form of government founded on the principle of elected individuals representing the people. Much of our country is based on the principles of representative democracy. lt starts organizations like community associations and progresses through our schools boards, city governments, governments, county governments—all the way to the federal government. We vote for a person, or persons, who will act on our behalf.

Some might advocate that a board should not take action without a vote of the members to find out what the people want. That would be counterproductive. If association members were to vote on every issue before a decision was made, there would be no need for a board, but simply someone to send out ballots and tally results. However, boards find out what their constituents want in other ways. Many make time to hear from residents at each board meeting. But, it's up to vou to attend meetings, voice vour opinions and participate in the exchange of ideas with the board. We also encourage your involvement and participation. Perhaps you would consider joining a committee. We want your input, ideas, thoughts and opinions.

When the season for community association annual meetings and annual board elections approaches, consider carefully which candidates you select—including yourself. Consider running for the board to help shape the future of your community.

## **COMMUNITY CORNER**

My name is Hannah Johnston. I am looking for any type of babysitting or child care opportunity. I am a rising junior at White Knoll High School with the plan of going into the nursing field. I am CPR certified and I have taken the Red Cross babysitting class. I love kids and I am comfortable with any pets. I have good grades and I am a hard worker. I am also an athlete and have played travel soccer for 12 years. If you are interested in my services, please contact me on my cell phone: (803) 873-1951 or email me soccergirl21497@windstream.net.

## YARD OF THE MONTH

Hello again to everyone! Picking a yard this past month has been very difficult due to all of the rain making everyone's yard look green and lush. Von and Frank Robertson won out at 427 Knott's Court. Congratulations!

Remember, the YOTM recognition sign will be placed in your yard until the next month is awarded AND you will receive a \$25 Lowes Gift Card if chosen. So, it actually pays to get out and work in your yard.

Nominations are always welcome at <a href="mailto:bryjen2598@windstream.net">bryjen2598@windstream.net</a>. July, August, September, Halloween, and Christmas are still up for grabs. Good luck to everyone, and may the best yard win!

Jenny Bullard YOTM Committee Chair

## TRIVIA CORNER

Arnold Schwarzenegger had competition when auditioning for the lead role in the 1984 film *The Terminator*. O.J. Simpson was seriously considered for the role of cyborg but was eventually dismissed. Why? "People would never have believed a nice guy like O.J. could play the part of a ruthless killer," a studio executive said.

Stupid History: Tales of Stupidity, Strangeness and Mythconceptions Throughout the Ages, 2007

You can buy almonds in their shells, or walnuts in their shells, or Brazil nuts in their shells, so why can't you buy cashews in their shells? For the simple reason that cashews don't have shells. But wait...don't all nuts have shells? That's true, but cashews aren't nuts, they're technically seeds. Peanuts aren't nuts, either; they're actually a species in the legume family.

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