

# Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association Newsletter

October 2012



## **President's Message - Barb Walton**

By the time you receive this newsletter it will be the beginning of October, almost time for our Annual Oktoberfest! Last year everyone raved about the newest addition to the event - - Wild Card. I hope that you will be able to join us this year, you're in for a real treat!!

I would like to take this opportunity to give you a word of caution. If you use the main Ivy Hill entrance, when the divider ends and you turn left to proceed down Quail Ridge Dr., please swing the turn wide and stay on your side of the road! Several of our residents have barely missed a head-on collision because people are cutting the corner. Please be careful!

And last, but not least, I would like to put in a plea for you to seriously consider becoming a member of the Ivy Hill Homeowners Association Board. We meet for an hour to an hour and a half every other month. Everyone shares the responsibilities so that it doesn't fall on one or two people. If you would like to volunteer, or learn more about what we do, please contact me (Barb Walton 525-0459).

Barb  
525-0459  
bwalton@jetbroadband.com

## Oktoberfest

The Ivy Hill Ladies Association is teaming up with the Ivy Hill Homeowners Association once again this year to host Oktoberfest. The fourth annual rendition of this popular neighborhood event will be held this year on Saturday evening, October 27th in the Ivy Hill Pavilion beginning at 5:00 PM. As in recent years, there will be no charge this year for Ivy Hill residents. Non-residents will be charged \$10.00. Oktoberfest will end at 8:00 PM.

Oktoberfest entertainment will be provided for the second year in a row by the four-piece band Wild Card. The musicians in Wild Card are: Chase DeWitt (guitar & vocals); Ashley Carter (guitar & vocals); Ricky Robertson (drums & vocals); and Bob Harvey (bass & vocals).



Chase DeWitt began playing guitar in the early '90s and later joined local bands Doubleshot and Off the Cuff Band as lead guitarist. In 2006 he and his sister-in-law, Ashley, started the duo Chasin' Ashley and performed covers and originals throughout the Lynchburg area.

Singer/songwriter Ashley Carter, a self-taught guitarist, has a BFA in musical theater and has performed from Atlanta to New York. Ashley plays an energetic rhythm guitar and is the band's lead vocalist. She also has several original compositions that the band performs periodically. Her energy on stage is contagious and guarantees an exciting performance.

Ricky Robertson started playing drums in the '60s and has played in several bands over the years. In 1990, Ricky and his brother formed the band Doubleshot, an eight piece rock/soul band that opened for such acts as Junior Walker and The All Stars, The Drifters, and Bill Deal and The Rhondells for 18 years. Presented with an opportunity to play something a little different with Wild Card, Ricky now provides not only the beat but great vocals.

Bob Harvey has also played with numerous local bands over the years and has recently joined Wild Card to bring his enthusiasm for bass and vocals to this dynamic group.

Wild Card played a little bit of everything for us at Oktoberfest 2011; from rock to soul to country, and everything in between. If you saw them last year, you know that all of your favorite songs will be brought to life with lively rhythms and tight harmonies. If you missed them last year, you are in for an exciting evening of discovery. They are amazing talents.



**Ivy Hill Ladies' Association  
Annual October Meeting**



**Tuesday, October 2, 2012  
7:00 p.m.**

**St. Stephen's Episcopal Church  
Perrowville, Rd. Forest**



**Come one and all members!**

**Get informed.**

**Get linked in.**

**Get fed!**

**Guests welcome.**



More information: contact Beth Manns at [bethmanns@gmail.com](mailto:bethmanns@gmail.com) or 525-2738.

**Cool Weather Great for Walking**

After a long hot summer, the weather has gotten cooler which makes us all want to get off the treadmill and take a walk outdoors in the fresh air! Just a reminder for all those that like to walk in Ivy Hill; please, please, please respect all "No Trespassing" signs.

For instance, with the bridge being closed on the 16<sup>th</sup> hole, golf carts are using Lake Ridge Drive, and the path that runs by the pond, to reach the remainder of the hole. This path is a right-of-way. It is not on golf course property. It is in the back yard of Bob and Barb Evans (304 Lake Ridge Drive) and Private Property. Only golfers are authorized to use this path. (Wouldn't it be great if the bridge could be repaired!) The Ivy Hill Golf Course discourages non-players walking the course at any time because of the risk of accidents. However, if you do walk on the 16<sup>th</sup> hole when no one is playing, the Evans ask that you please

do not use the path through their property to cut around the lake.

To all of those who have been understanding when the situation was explained, thank you. For those that continue, despite the "No Trespassing" signs, please stop.

**Newsletter Ads**

Would your business be interested in advertising in the IHHA Newsletter? Ads are only \$25 per issue and reach more than 600 Ivy Hill households. If so, contact Barb Walton at [bwalton@jetbroadband.com](mailto:bwalton@jetbroadband.com) or 525-0459.

**Crofton Duplicating Services**  
221 Business Center  
18292 Forest Road  
Forest, Virginia 24551

Phone (434) 385-4168      FAX (434) 385-4183

## **Ivy Hill History**

Newcomers to Ivy Hill may wonder what lies in the small thicket of trees between the 6th and 7th holes on the golf course. It isn't obvious any more. Older residents know that those broken down brick walls surround the original Ivy Hill plantation cemetery. One of the people that is buried in that cemetery is the Reverend Charles Clay.

Reverend Clay, who was the rector of the Episcopal Church in Bedford, purchased a tract of land in 1756 adjacent to Thomas Jefferson's Poplar Forest. It was probably located in the area between the Forest railroad depot and the southern boundary of the current Ivy Hill. Reverend Clay purchased three adjoining tracts of land totaling approximately 1,300 acres between 1779 and 1784 and added them to the estate. These later purchases are believed to include all the land in the current Ivy Hill.

Reverend Clay died in 1820 and was buried on his estate in the cemetery. Reverend Clay apparently did some things during his life that he came to regret as death approached. One of his final requests was to have 100 wagon loads of rocks placed on his grave "so the devil will be unable to get to me." The pile of rocks can be seen to this day if you know where to look. (Watch out for copperheads!)



If you have interesting information about the history of this area, or old photographs that you would be willing to share with your neighbors, contact the editor Lew Walton at [lwalton@jetbroadband.com](mailto:lwalton@jetbroadband.com). We would love to include them in a future Newsletter.

## **Entrance Cleanup**

All of the trees on the main Ivy Hill entrance "island" that were downed or damaged by the June 29th wind storm have been cut up and removed. The four remaining Bradford Pears were also felled and removed. They were beautiful to look at but have proven to be too fragile to survive. It was judged to be only a matter of time before an ice storm or another wind storm knocked one or more them down. So we chose to take advantage of the Bryant Tree Service team on site and get them removed now for a lesser price than if we did it one at a time as nature dictated. All of the stumps have also been ground out and the resulting bare areas have been reseeded.

**Chickens in Ivy Hill?**

You may have seen the article in the Wednesday, September 19th issue of the News & Advance about the planning commission of Bedford County considering allowing chickens as a by-right use in residentially-zoned properties in the county. While the fate of that proposal was still unknown as this issue of the Newsletter went to press, it should be noted that Article 8 of the Ivy Hill Reservations & Restrictions clearly states "No animals or poultry of any kind, other than house pets, shall be kept or maintained on any lot." Most of the reservations & restrictions of the various neighborhoods within Ivy Hill contain similar or identical wording. Moreover, any chicken coup or fencing for a chicken pen would have to be approved by the Architectural Committee; approval that will almost assuredly not be granted. Supervisor John Sharp is quoted in the News & Advance article as specifically stating that any homeowner's association could override the county ordinance and not allow chickens. So, it is the conclusion of the IHHA officers that chickens will not be allowed in Ivy Hill independent of whatever Bedford County may decide.

**Mi Patrón**  
MEXICAN RESTAURANTE

**AUTHENTIC MEXICAN FOOD**

Now in Two Locations

**Cavalier Corner**  
1208 Perrowville Rd. Suite F  
Forest, VA 24551  
525-9482

**Hours**  
Mon-Fri 11:00 AM – 10:00 PM Sat 11:30 AM – 10:00 PM  
Saturday 11:30 AM – 9:00 PM

10% Discount Coupon



**Join IHHA**

Ivy Hill Homeowners Association dues are \$35/year. If you are new to Ivy Hill or have not joined for 2012, please complete the form below, enclose it with your check payable to "IHHA" and mail it to Ivy Hill Homeowners Association, PO Box 353, Forest, VA 24551.

Name(s)	
Address	
Phone	
E-mail	



# LADY FIT



Ladies, are you fit, or wish to be?

For stretching muscles, building bone mass, or just feeling good there are eleven machines with variable resistance at the pro shop .

Open pro shop hours.

Annual fee \$100.

Find a buddy and try it.



## Raspberry Hill Mailing

There has been some concern expressed about a bulk mailing that Raspberry Hill Adult Daytime Center sent out to the Ivy Hill Community this past July. There has been some misconception, due to the mailing being received in an unmarked plain envelope, that Raspberry Hill didn't pay postage and placed the mailing in the mail boxes themselves. Raspberry Hill's owners, Tara and Eddie Archer want to assure the community that they did pay postage and the Post Office delivered the mailing, but it somehow left the post office improperly labeled.

### **It's Time to Beat the Heat!!!**

*Don't Let Summer Slip Away Without a Swimming Pool*

**\*Complete Swimming Pool Services – Including:  
CUSTOM DESIGN & BUILD SWIMMING POOLS**

**\*Create a New Outdoor Living Space –  
Including:**

**A NEW DECK – OUTDOOR KITCHEN – PAVER  
PATIO**

**\*General Home Improvements – Including:  
NEW ADDITIONS – KITCHEN & BATH  
RENOVATIONS**

**For More Information – Contact Bill  
Thomas at:  
434.546.0783 OR  
thomasdesignbuild@gmail.com**



#### Turpin & Arthur Angus Farm

Natural Beef, Heirloom Organic Vegetables, and Hardwood Mulch

Located at the Forest Farmer's Market  
and  
10530 Forest Road, Forest VA

Barry Turpin and Joel Arthur  
Mailing: PO Box 6, Goode VA 24556  
434-841-4134

[www.taangus.com](http://www.taangus.com)

[taangus@verizon.net](mailto:taangus@verizon.net)

#### At Turpin & Arthur Angus Farm:

- We produce quality beef the old fashioned way, finishing our cattle on pasture and grain.
- We maintain a small herd, refusing to compromise quality for quantity.
- We do not use hormones or antibiotics. The majority of US cattle are still produced using this questionable practice.
- We offer competitive purchasing options to accommodate your budget. These vary from individual choice cuts, to popular 8 & 16 lb. contract options, to custom cut half and whole steers.
- We are expanding our service to include country sausage and fresh garden vegetables. Vegetables are discounted to our contract beef customers.

Visit us at the Forest Farmer's Market or our home farm market.  
Find more info at [www.taangus.com](http://www.taangus.com)

## Entrance Sign Holiday Decorations

It's ironic that this article happened to wind up on the same page as a swimming pool advertisement. However, it's not too early to start thinking about decorating the entrance signs for the holidays. What we would like to try this year is the following decorating challenge. Let's see which neighborhood can decorate their entrance sign the best!

So talk to your neighbors and see who would be interested in helping with such a project; put together a team and come up with a plan for decorating your neighborhood sign; and then contact Barb Walton by phone at 525-0459 or [bwalton@jetbroadband.com](mailto:bwalton@jetbroadband.com) and let her know who is on your team, what you have planned, and what it will cost. The IHHA will consider covering reasonable expenses. Then any time after Thanksgiving put your plan in action and decorate your sign.

Judging will be sometime during Christmas week. The winning team will get their sign featured in the January Newsletter!

Plan on taking your decorations down the weekend after New Years (weather permitting).

## **E-Newsletters**

If you would like to receive future Newsletters electronically, send your e-mail address to the editor, Lew Walton, at [lwalton@jetbroadband.com](mailto:lwalton@jetbroadband.com). A downloadable version of this Newsletter and other recent Newsletters can also be found on the Ivy Hill website ([ivyhill-forest.org](http://ivyhill-forest.org)).



### **IHHA Board (2012)**

**Barb Walton, President**  
525-0459 - [bwalton@jetbroadband.com](mailto:bwalton@jetbroadband.com)  
**Wayne McMillan, Treasurer**  
525-2090 - [fwmcm@yahoo.com](mailto:fwmcm@yahoo.com)  
**Lew Walton, Secretary**  
525-0459 - [lwalton@jetbroadband.com](mailto:lwalton@jetbroadband.com)  
**Ed Schwabe**  
525-8946 - [edschwabe@verizon.net](mailto:edschwabe@verizon.net)  
**Tom Haertel**  
525-0543 - [haertels3@aol.com](mailto:haertels3@aol.com)  
**Rene Koch,**  
525-2935 - [renekjr@msn.com](mailto:renekjr@msn.com)  
**Roger Lohn**  
534-0604 - [rlohn@jetbroadband.com](mailto:rlohn@jetbroadband.com)

If you received this Newsletter via the US Mail, please check the mailing label for errors. Contact Barb Walton at [bwalton@jetbroadband.com](mailto:bwalton@jetbroadband.com) or 525-0459 with any corrections.

Ivy Hill Homeowners Association, Inc.  
P. O. Box 353  
Forest, VA 24551