

Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association Newsletter

January 2015



IHHA President's Message - Ed Schwabe

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone!

Greetings from the Ivy Hill Board to everyone in the Ivy Hill Community. We wish everyone a safe, healthy and happy New Year!

A ballot for the 2015 Ivy Hill Homeowners Association Board of Directors can be found on Page 5 of this newsletter. I would ask that you take the time to complete the ballot and return it either electronically or by mail at your earliest convenience.

On another note, as all of you have seen in the News and Advance recently, the Ivy Lake situation has no resolution. However, various groups of property owner surrounding the lake are working diligently with Liberty University to reach an acceptable solution to all parties.

Finally, while we don't normally send an invoice in the mail to join or renew your membership in the Ivy Hill Homeowners Association until later in the Spring, I urge you to consider taking a moment and renewing your membership early. Just fill out the form on Page 4 and send it along with your check for \$35.00 to: Ivy Hill Homeowners Association, P.O. Box 353, Forest, VA 24551. This will save the Association the cost of printing and mailing you an invoice, money which can then be used to further our primary mission of preserving and beautifying the Ivy Hill community.

On behalf of the Board we look forward to serving you in 2015!

Happy New Year!

Ed Schwabe, President IHHA

Ivy Hill Ladies Association

Annual dues for the Ivy Hill Ladies Association remain only \$30 per year. Your dues pay for the many wonderful events that we sponsor, like the Winter Party scheduled for Saturday, January 17th. Members of the executive board are Debbie Farrago (525-0175), Lisa Rubilar (525-1941), and Bonnie Wishon (525-8145). Call any member of the Executive Board, or our Treasurer Margaret Deist (534-9675), if you are interested in joining the IHLA.



Ivy Hill History

Here's another interesting pair of "Before and After" photos. The top image shows a house under construction at the corner of Hitching Post Lane and Lake Ridge Drive. When this photograph was taken in the early 1970's, those two roads had only been roughed in and none of the trees had yet been planted in what would become the front and back yard of the new home. (The one large tree to the left in the top photo is actually located on the neighbor's property.) On the right side of the image you can actually look north across Ivy Hill farm - it was still a working cattle ranch at this time - all the way to the mountains.



The lower image was taken from virtually the same vantage point this past summer. The house appears very much unchanged. However, Hitching Post Lane and Lake Ridge Drive are now nicely paved, the yard is full of beautiful, fully mature, trees that now dwarf the house, and the view of the mountains to the north is completely screened. The corner lot on the other side of Lake Ridge that was just a sea of mud in the foreground in the upper photo is now nicely landscaped too.



If you have any old photos or interesting historical information about Ivy Hill that you would like to share with the community, contact the Editor at IvyHillForest@gmail.com

2014 Holiday Entrance Decorating Contest

Beth Manns and Jennifer Duncan agreed to be the judges for the 2014 holiday entrance decorating contest. Early Christmas week they drove around Ivy Hill and looked at all of the decorated community entrances. They decided that all of the entrance displays were beautiful and added to the community spirit, but were all so very different that it would be hard to judge them as a group. So instead they chose multiple winners.

The decorations voted to be the Best Nighttime Light Display was the Ivy Hill Main Entrance team of Tom Haertel and Lew Walton. The two reindeer covered with hundreds of white lights proved to be a popular addition to the striking white light display draped in the four Crepe Myrtles and the blue lights strung around the top of the gazebo. This multitude of monochrome lighting surrounded the live Christmas tree in the gazebo which was decorated with several hundred more multi-colored lights. Congratulations Tom and Lew!

The Community Spirit award goes to the Ivy Court team of Bill Miller and Len Woody. They not only decorated their entranceway sign with a green holiday wreath with a festive red bow, they also decorated all of the lamp posts on Ivy Court and all of the condo fronts along the access way to match. The green and red decorations looked particularly striking against the white of the lamp posts. Great job Bill and Len!

The Best Artistic Design winner was Leegie Kirby of Club Terrace. Leegie decorated both the top of the Club Terrace sign and the planter below it. Her beautiful design featured evergreen branches and magnolia fronds; multicolored ribbons and bows; and several wrapped "presents". She even decorated the street sign at the corner of Club Terrace and Quail Ridge Drive! Very elegant indeed Leegie!

Congratulations to all three winning teams!



Best Nighttime Light Display
Ivy Hill Main Entrance



Community Spirit Award
Ivy Court



Best Artistic Design
Club Terrace

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Forest Farmers Markets Winter Schedule

Winter indoor Farmers Markets will be held once a month throughout the winter months, at the Forest Recreation Center on Rustic Village Road. The dates are January 10, February 14, March 14, and April 11. All indoor Markets run from 8:00 am to noon. Outdoor Farmers Markets will resume on the last Saturday of April on the usual site behind the Forest Library parking lot.

IHHA 2014 Financial Report

The image on the right is the 2014 year end Income & Expense report for the Ivy Hill Homeowners Association as required by the Bylaws of the Association. All amounts were calculated on an accrual basis. This summary is based on unaudited financial records. Results of the annual audit (scheduled for January) were not available as this Newsletter went to press. A revised report will be included in the next Newsletter if any of the numbers change. Otherwise, these values should be final.

**Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association, Inc.
Income & Expenses
January through December 2014**

	<u>Jan - Dec 14</u>
Income	
Advertising	175.00
Contributions	1,667.30
Dues	10,780.00
Total Income	<u>12,622.30</u>
Gross Profit	12,622.30
Expense	
Electricity	1,910.77
Insurance	686.00
Landscaping	4,220.00
Miscellaneous	1,154.94
Oktoberfest	1,715.10
Postage	803.63
Printing	538.09
Total Expense	<u>11,028.53</u>
Net Income	<u><u>1,593.77</u></u>



2015 Dues

Ivy Hill Homeowners Association dues are only \$35/year. If you are new to Ivy Hill or have not yet joined for 2015, 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	

New Neighbors

Please welcome the following new neighbors to Ivy Hill:

- Josh & Meredith Boyd - 106 Meadowgate Drive

If you know of a new resident in Ivy Hill, or a house that has changed hands recently, please contact the IHHA at IvyHillForest@gmail.com so we can update our database.

Brandon Wishon "Aces" Hole #7

On December 29th he asked April Done to marry him, and she said yes! Brandon is the son of Jeff and Bonnie Wishon (112 Meadowgate Drive) and a former employee of Ivy Hill Golf Club. He chose Hole #7 because it's the place where he first told April he loved her. Brandon and April reside in the Dallas area and were visiting family for Christmas when he popped the question.

For this couple, 2014 ended with bling.



Lost a pet or found a stray animal? We can help. Contact IvyHillForest@gmail.com or any IHHA Board member to send out a community-wide email alert. We've had 100% success in reuniting lost pets with their owners since this service started. Provide a photo of the animal if possible.

IHHA 2015 Ballot

The Nominating Committee has recruited thirteen candidates that have agreed to stand for election to the IHHA 2015 Board of Directors. These candidates are listed on the official ballot below. You can cast your ballot electronically or by mail. To vote electronically, simply fill out the form below, scan it, and e-mail it to the IHHA at IvyHillForest@gmail.com; or if you don't have a scanner, simply send an e-mail to that same address listing your preferences, and we'll fill out the form for you. To vote by mail, fill out the form below and mail it to Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association at P.O. Box 353, Forest, VA 24551. Ballots must be received by January 31st.

IVY HILL HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION 2015 BALLOT

Board of Directors

Bob Bomar
Cereace Creasy
Bruce Deist

Jennifer Duncan
Tom Haertel
Bob Harvey

John Helmey
Roger Lohn
Beth Manns

Ed Schwabe
Barb Walton
Lew Walton
Jeff Wishon

To vote FOR all of the candidates above, check here: _____

To WITHHOLD your vote for any candidate, cross out their name in the list above.

Write-in: _____

Member's Signature: _____

You must be an IHHA member to vote.

E-Newsletters

If you would like to receive future Newsletters electronically, send your e-mail address to IvyHillForest@gmail.com. A downloadable version of this Newsletter and other recent Newsletters can also be found on the Ivy Hill website (ivyhill-forest.org).



IHHA Board of Directors (2014)

Ed Schwabe, President

525-8946

Roger Lohn, Vice President

534-0604

Beth Manns, Recording Secretary

525-2738

Bob Harvey, Treasurer

525-8247

Lew Walton, Newsletter & Website

525-0459

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