Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association Newsletter

September 2015



IHHA President's Message

"Summertime and the living is easy" was a show-tune line from many years ago and can still be applicable today. Our summer here in Forest has thus far been pleasant. Thank heaven we have not had any of the flooding and fires that many folks are experiencing in other parts of the United States.

Watch out for deer when driving around in the neighborhood, especially around dawn and dusk! The fawns are following the does and often stand on the side of the road after their mother has crossed. Then they dash across to catch up with her. So, a word to the wise; slow down and watch for deer! In recent years, one-third of the auto accidents in Bedford County have typically involved deer. The auto body shops are waiting for your call!

Oktoberfest is scheduled for Saturday, October the 10th at the Ivy Hill Golf Club pavilion. As in previous years we have scheduled entertainment, great food and refreshments. See the announcement on Page 5 and the associated article on Page 2. We are also planning several activities for children this year. So bring your children and allow them to have a fun-filled evening as well! We look forward to seeing all of you on the 10th.

Not a member of the Ivy Hill Homeowners Association? What better time to join than now! Contact any Board member or mail your annual dues payment of \$35.00 to the address on the handy form on Page 7 of this newsletter. Thank you!

Many thanks also to everyone who continues to support the Homeowners Association. Without your ongoing support we would not be able to maintain the common grounds in our community or host fun activities like Oktoberfest.

Ed Schwabe President IHHA

Ivy Hill Ladies Association Update

The Ivy Hill Ladies association is still looking for volunteers to serve on the Executive Committee and in other leadership and community service positions. If you are interested contact Margaret Deist at (434) 534-9675, Debbie Farrago at (434) 525-0175, Lisa Rubilar at (434) 525-1941, or Bonnie Wishon at (434) 525-8145.

Ivy Hill History

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 at <u>lvyHillForest@gmail.com</u>. We would love to include them in a future Newsletter.

New Neighbors

Please welcome the following new neighbors to Ivy Hill:

- Scott & LeAnn Hinton 134 Sailview Drive
- Ian Jerome 1064 Lakepointe Drive
- Preston & Peggy Eagle 248 Shaker Lane

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

IHLA Children's Activity Program

The Ivy Hill Ladies Association is sponsoring a new group for children's activities. We have set a date for our first "meet and greet" playdate:

- WHEN: September 26, Saturday 1:00-3:00 pm
- WHERE: Forest Presbyterian Church playground 1226 2 Church Lane (on Rt. 221, behind/next to the Forest Library)
- WHO: Anyone living in any/all Ivy Hill Neighborhood(s) Children age newborn and up

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BRING: Bikes/scooters/ride toys, balls, chalk

SPREAD THE WORD TO ALL YOUR NEIGHBORS!

Oktoberfest 2015 Planning

The Ivy Hill Homeowners Association and the Ivy Hill Ladies Association will co-host Oktoberfest at the Ivy Hill Golf Club pavilion on Saturday, October 10th. See the announcement on Page 5. Volunteers are needed to help with decorations; set-up, tear-down, and clean-up; food preparation and serving; and manning the sign-in table. If enough people step forward, you will still have plenty of time to enjoy the good music and food and spend some time with your neighbors. If you would like to help give Bonnie Wishon a call at 525-8145 or email wishons@verizon.net





Sunday, September 13, 2015 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Brenda and Bob Harvey's house: 1221 Equestrian Ridge Drive We will supply burgers and fixings. You bring a side dish or a dessert to share. Soft drinks, beer and wine provided. Bring a mate, a date or come separate. RSVP Required by September 9 to Debbie Farrago <u>debbiefarrago@gmail.com</u> (preferred) or 525-0175 (home)

Ivy Hill ladies – if you are not a member, but may be interested, email or call Debbie and come join us for the evening!

Save IVY Lake

Raffle and Barbecue Grand Prize: \$1,000.00

PLUS ⁵⁰/₅₀ drawings and other prizes

5:00 PM - Social (Beer will be available for sale) 5:30 PM - Barbecue supper 6:00 PM - Raffie



To purchase tickets, contact: Gary Verser 434-941-9771 Scott Watson 434-841-2462 Bob Bashore 434-525-0889

This event is spansored by homeowners. All proceeds will help fundlegal costs associated with the ongoing ky Lake deliberations.

You need not be present to win the grand prize.

Ads in the IHHA Newsletter are only \$25 per issue and reach more than 600 Ivy Hill households. Contact the Editor at <u>IvyHillForest@gmail.com</u>

New Entrance Sign Lighting

At last ... the halogen lights illuminating the Ivy Hill entrance sign have been replaced with energy-efficient LED lights.

This project started earlier this summer. However, a backorder from the manufacturer and distributor created the delay.

Initial reports from the International Space Station indicate that the lighting is quite effective. See the photo to the right taken from an altitude of 250 nautical miles. (Or maybe it was 250 centimeters; we never could figure out those metric instructions!)



Oktoberfest-2015

The Ivy Hill Homeowners Association and the Ivy Hill Ladies Association will cohost Oktoberfest-2015 on Saturday, October 10. As in past years, the location will be Ivy Hill Golf Club pavilion and the time will be 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Also as usual, the menu will include bratwurst, hot dogs, sauerkraut, red cabbage, German potato salad, a dessert, and, of course BEER. Banners will be posted at the entranceways a week before the event.

The live entertainment for Oktoberfest-2015 will be provided by Keith and Kompany again this year. Keith and Kompany are a versatile duo featuring Keith McFaden on guitars and vocals and Al Coffey on guitars, fiddle, sax, flute, harps and mandolin. *Keith and Kompany* have been entertaining in the area for many years and play a broad variety of musical genres including Country, Rock, and Blues plus a lot of singer-songwriter material. They promise to provide some great music for Octoberfest-2015. All Ivy Hill residents are invited. Members of the Ivy Hill Ladies Association and the Ivy Hill Homeowners Association and their families are free. Non-members and guests are \$10. So mark your calendar.



Entranceway Column Repairs

When we replaced the lamps on the serpentine wall at the main Ivy Hill entrance recently, we found that the mortar and bricks on the tops of the brick pillars where the lights are mounted had begun to deteriorate.



Further examination revealed that several bricks and mortar were loose on three of the pillars and that the cement cap needed to be replaced on all six pillars.

A team of skilled masons from the old country were brought in to begin the repairs.



Actually, old masons from the country were all that could be found!



Some of the pillars were in such poor condition that several courses of loose brick and mortar had to be removed.



Once the loose bricks and mortar had been removed, the re-building process proceeded smoothly.

The next step will be to fashion metal caps for the columns to protect them better in the future.

Looking further in the future, we noticed a number of places where the brickwork is deteriorating.



These weathered areas will need to be addressed at a later date. Perhaps another errant driver will hasten that process!



Ivy Hill Book Club

It all began in 2008 with "Water for Elephants". The Ivy Hill Book Club has continued on with a small but mighty group since then. We read fiction and nonfiction, and we take turns leading the discussions. Books are usually chosen by group consensus.

The Book Club would like to expand its membership. You do not have to be a resident of Ivy Hill to join. Both men and women are welcome. We meet the first Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. October's book is "The Joy Luck Club" by Amy Tan. November's book will be "Chopsticks Fork Principle, A Memoir and Manual" by Cathy Bao Bean.

If you are interested in learning more about the Book Club, contact Brenda Harvey at kdcat4@juno.com or 525-8247.



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.

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