Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association Newsletter

January 2017



Banner Photo by Bill Hite

IHHA President's Message

Happy New Year! The entrances to the Ivy Hill communities were so beautifully decorated this past Christmas season. I would like to thank everyone who worked on those decorations. We also received our first snowfall for this season two weeks ago. It was so beautiful. The best part was that the snow was gone within a week. The Virginia snow shovel – SUN – is one of the best features of this region. Keep the faith. Spring is right around the corner.

There are two important events in progress right now. The first is the election of the 2017 Board of Directors of the Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association. I encourage all IHHA members to vote. We have eleven Board members returning and four new members up for election for the first time. Your ballot can be found at the bottom of page 5. The second is our annual membership drive. Your 2017 Ivy Hill Homeowners Association annual dues are now due. The IHHA performs many worthwhile services with your \$40. There is also a new way you that can pay your dues electronically using PayPal. More details on how your money is used and how to pay your 2017 dues using PayPal can be found above the membership form at the bottom of page 6 of this newsletter. Also contained in this issue is the 2016 end of the year Income & Expense summary for the Association.

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The court hearing for Liberty's Ivy Lake lawsuit was held on January 18. The hearing lasted about 2 hrs and 15 min. There about the same number of attorneys in the courtroom as other people. At the end of the hearing, the judge ruled that Liberty could not force everyone to be part of the lake association. I hope this is not the end of this issue. Keep the faith that the lake is not drained as a result of this ruling.

Tom Haertel, IHHA President

Ivy Hill Ladies Association

The Ivy Hill Ladies' Association gathered together about 20 neighborhood women for coffee, great food and (mostly non-political) conversation on Election Day. We met at the home of Beth Manns and our ladies included two guests and one rather young lady, all we hope future members.

Thanks go to the committee: Brenda Harvey, Edna Jessee, Beth Manns, Sherrill Mulkearns, Nancy Newbern, Marianne Simmons and Barb Walton.

The Association also joined with Mary Garner from Life in the Ivy Magazine to organize a really fun children's Christmas event at the Ivy Hill Golf Clubhouse. Thank you to Bill and Jennie Allman for providing the location and to Susan Nicholas and her committee for all their work. See the separate article for more details.

The next event in planning is our winter party. The committee is formed and dates and locations are being considered. Please join our Association and take part!

Questions? Email Beth Manns at bethmanns@gmail.com or 525-2738.

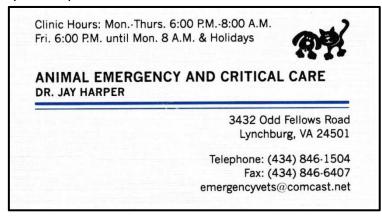
Neighbor-to-Neighbor

The Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association is often asked to intervene in neighbor-to-neighbor disputes in Ivy Hill. Here are the four most common complaints brought to us:

- Cars parked on the street or on the lawn Ivy Hill residents must provide adequate parking in their garages or on their driveway for all of their vehicles. If you own too many vehicles to meet this restriction, please arrange to store your surplus vehicles off site.
- Dogs off leash All dogs must be on leash any time they leave your property. They should not be allowed to roam the neighborhood freely. This is both an Ivy Hill restriction and a Bedford County ordinance. Stray dogs will be turned into Animal Control.
- Garbage cans left on the street or not put away properly Garbage cans should be put out on the street no earlier than the night before pickup and returned to storage as soon as possible afterwards. Garbage cans must be stored in your garage or an enclosed or screened service area. They should not be visible from the street, golf course, or lake.
- Home and yard maintenance Ivy Hill properties should be regularly maintained; siding painted or stained, grass cut, debris picked up, litter removed, bushes trimmed, etc.

We really don't want to hear from your neighbors. So be a good neighbor. The community will be a better place if we all do our part.

See the Ivy Hill Website (ivyhill-forest.org) for all the Reservations and Restrictions. Some Ivy Hill neighborhoods have additional restrictions.



Ivy Hill Ladies Association Children's Christmas Party

The IHLA Children's Group celebrated the holiday season with cookie decorating and a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus! Mary Garner and Life In The Ivy cohosted the event. Sylvan Learning was on hand with STEM activities. Photos with Santa were courtesy of Early Mae Photography.

There are many neighbors we need to thank for helping to make this event a memorable one for our community: Angie Power and Sue Lineberry provided delicious treats.

Shushawn Schmal and Carrie Barker contributed supplies. Karen Schwabe, Jennie Allman, Joan Robbins, Mary Garner and Susan Nicholas donated their time to set up, break down and host.

Jennie and Bill Allman, Runk & Pratt and Eddie Moran made it all possible by offering the Ivy Hill Golf Club clubhouse for the venue. This was truly a community event!!



Book Club

The Ivy Hill Book Club is open to all adults. We are a smallish group with lively discussions. We usually meet the first Thursday of the month at 1:00 pm in members' homes.

On February 2, we will meet to discuss The Light Between Oceans by M.L. Stedman. For location and more information, contact Brenda Harvey at kd4cat@juno.com or 525-8247. Come join us!

New Neighbors

Please welcome the following new neighbors to Ivy Hill:

- Matt & Ashton Nolen 106 Deer Track Lane
- Jose & Victoria Cintron 412 Quail Hollow Drive
- Brian & Tracia Mills 1085 Ivy Woods Drive
- Chondra Thornhill & Kimberly Coles 103 Lake Ridge Drive
- Wayne & Valerie Dufort 1115 Overlake Knoll
- James & Peggy Willis 205 Quail Ridge Drive
- James Bell 105 Millstone Terrace

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.

Lost a pet or found a stray animal? We can help. Contact LvyHillForest@gmail.com or any IHHA Board member to send out a community-wide email alert. Provide a photo of the animal if possible.



IHHA 2016 Financial Report

The 2016 year end Income & Expense report for the Ivy Hill Homeowners Association is presented below as required by the Bylaws of the Association. All amounts were calculated on an accrual basis.

Income		Expenses	
Advertising Contributions Dues	\$275.00 \$440.00 \$11,975.00	Bank Service Fees Electricity Insurance Landscaping	\$1.46 \$1,688.15 \$718.00 \$4,842.00
Total Income	\$12,690.00	Maintenance & Misc. Postage Printing	\$2,383.07 \$650.05 \$464.64
		Total Expenses	\$10,747.37
		Net Income	\$1,942.63

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.

IHHA 2017 Ballot

The Nominating Committee has recruited fifteen candidates who have agreed to stand for election to the IHHA 2017 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 lvyHillForest@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 2017 BALLOT Board of Directors					
Debbie Farrago		Susan Nicholas	Barb Walton		
Mike Duncan	Rene Koch	Ed Schwabe	Roger Lohn		
Tom Haertel	Lew Walton	Jeff Wishon	_		
To vote FOR all of the ca To WITHHOLD your vote Write-in:	for any candidate, cross	s out their name in the list	above.		
Membe	er's Signature:				
You must have be	en an IHHA member in 2	2016 or have already joine	ed for 2017 to vote.		

Isaiah's Wardrobe

January is Clean-Out-Your-Closet Month

Here is an opportunity to do a good deed for others and clean out your closets at the same time. Grace Evangelical Free Church on Timberlake Road, next to McDonalds, has a clothing ministry called Isaiah's Wardrobe.

The mission of Isaiah's Wardrobe is to provide clothes to those in need. It is open to the community and items are not sold but given away. It is open most Fridays from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., excluding holiday weekends.

The Wardrobe operates completely on a volunteer basis using donations from the community. This is where you come in. Bring your out-grown, un-used items to the church office from Tuesday-Thursdays, or to the wardrobe on Fridays.

All clean clothing and shoes in good repair are accepted, but they are especially needy of men's clothing, plus-sized women's clothing, and boy's clothing. Bed linens and towels are also welcome.

Beth Manns, an Ivy Hill resident, has been an active volunteer at the Wardrobe for many years. Please feel free to contact her at bethmanns@gmail.com or 525-2738 with any questions regarding donations or the ministry itself.

2017 IHHA Membership

It's membership time! You can now join the Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association and pay your annual dues online. It is very simple. Just visit our website (ivyhill-forest.org) and click on the "Planning" tab, then select "IHHA Membership" from the pull-down menu below. A form similar to the one below will appear asking for your name, address, and contact information. Fill out the form and click on "Send". You will be linked to Pay Pal where you can then pay your dues (\$40) electronically using any major credit card (or your Pay Pal account if you have one). It should only take a minute or two of your time.

Alternatively, please fill out the form below and mail it along with your check for \$40 to the Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association at the address below.

Your dues pay for lighting the entranceways, maintaining the common grounds, this Newsletter, the Ivy Hill Directory, the Ivy Hill Website, and so many other services that make Ivy Hill a great place to live!



Name(s)	
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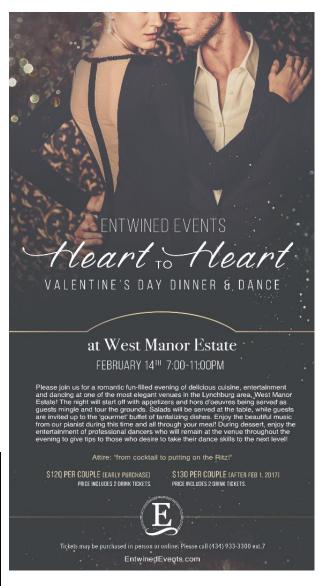
Ivy Hill History

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 lvyHillForest@gmail.com

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Hardcopy Newsletters to be Phased Out in 2017

Residents are increasingly opting to receive their newsletters electronically. Consequently, readership of the hardcopy version is declining. Our bulk mailing permit specifies a minimum mailing size of 150 copies. We will most likely hit that limit sometime in the coming year. At that time we will phase out the hardcopy version. If you currently get the newsletter by mail and wish to receive the electronic version via email after hardcopies are discontinued, please send your email address to ivyhillforest@gmail.com. Past copies of the electronic version of the newsletter can also be downloaded from the Website (ivyhill-forest.org).



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