

# Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association Newsletter

November 2017



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## IHHA President's Message

The days are getting longer and the leaves have turned colors; yet not as vibrant as in years past. We say not enough rain. Now is the time to pick up all those leaves; that's not my kind of fun.

Oktoberfest was a success. 124 attended the party. There was great food, drink, music, and companionship. I would like to thank the Ivy Hill Ladies Association for helping us with the planning and execution of the party. I would also like to thank the Ivy Hill Golf Club and the army of volunteers that decorated, supplied food, and worked the event. Susan Nicholas did a wonderful job with the children's program. Bonnie Wishon was the master organizer who pulled this whole thing together. See her article on Page 5 of this newsletter. To those who were not there; you missed my world-famous German potato salad.

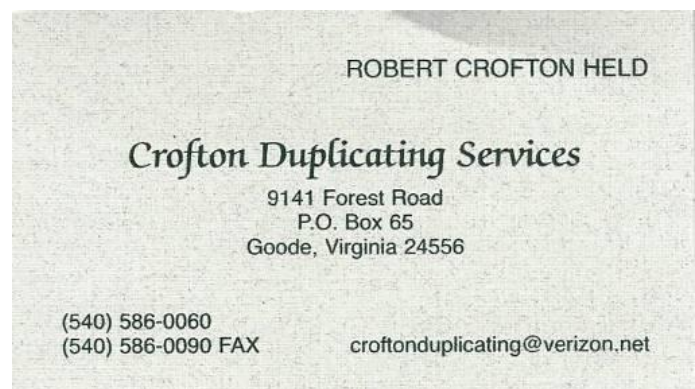
January is election time for Directors for the Ivy Hill Homeowners Association. We need volunteers for these positions. Please consider being part of the Board. We meet every other month for 1 to 1 ½ hours. See the related article on Page 2 of this Newsletter or check out the back page for contact phone numbers.

The golf course is now serving lunch with an expanded menu. The food is great!

The Harvey estate sale has been completed. However, there is no news yet on when the lake repairs will begin. Hopefully there will be some news soon.

Get ready for winter!

Tom Haertel  
IHHA President



## Ivy Hill Ladies Association

The ladies of Ivy Hill marked the beginning of the “new” year with a meeting and wine & cheese social on October 3. Thanks go to Brenda Harvey for once again opening her beautiful home for the event. Thanks also to the many members who attended. We discussed our budget and fiscal good health, and planned the upcoming year.

We also participated in Oktoberfest on October 14th. We staffed the food and check-in tables, and members Bonnie Wishon and Susan Nicholas headed up the event and children’s activities respectively. Well done, Bonnie and Susan!

We always welcome new members. If you might be interested in joining us or just want some more information about the IHLA, contact Beth Manns at [bethmanns@gmail.com](mailto:bethmanns@gmail.com) or 525-2738.

## New Neighbors

Please welcome the following new neighbors to Ivy Hill:

- Lynn Ross – 394 Fairwinds Court
- Mark & Stacey Brendel – 2001 Weatherhill Road
- Karen & Andy Winbourne – 114 Trading Block Lane
- Brian & Vickie Runk – 1480 Ivy Hill 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](mailto:IvyHillForest@gmail.com) so we can update our database.

## Ivy Hill Book Club

The Ivy Hill book club meets once per month on the first Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. We are reading The Last Days of Night by Graham Moore for our December 7 meeting. For more information, contact Brenda Harvey at [kd4cat@juno.com](mailto:kd4cat@juno.com) or 525-8247.

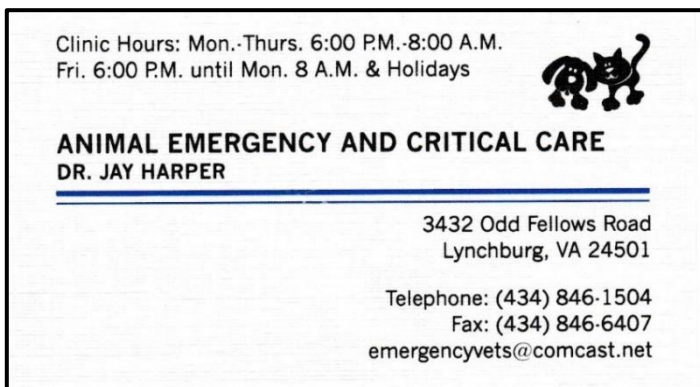
The book club will be taking the month of January off and will meet again on February 1, 2018.




Let us do the cleaning, while you enjoy life.

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## IHHA Board of Directors

There are currently 2 vacancies on the IHHA Board of Directors. The Nominating Committee is seeking qualified candidates to fill these positions. If you would be interested in serving on the Board, or if you know of someone else that you would like to nominate, please contact Roger Lohn or Lew Walton at [ivyhillforest@gmail.com](mailto:ivyhillforest@gmail.com).

Bedford Council of Garden Clubs Presents

# Christmas in the World's Best Little Town

Sunday, December 3, 2017 from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Many Ivy Hill women are members of Garden Thyme, a Forest-based garden club. Every two years, Garden Thyme participates in the Bedford Council of Garden Clubs Christmas home tour. Five beautiful homes in the town of Bedford, and the recently remodeled Bower Center, are decorated by local garden clubs for Christmas and opened to the public for touring.

The theme this year was inspired by a sign in a local barber shop around 1950 - "The World's Best Little Town". WBLT became the call letters for the local radio station.

Proceeds from the home tour are divided among the participating garden clubs who use the money to support a variety of philanthropic pursuits. Garden Thyme designed, installed and maintains the gardens at the Forest sign and around the Forest library flagpoles. Garden Thyme also donates to many local charities such as Wreaths Across America, the D-Day Memorial, and Lynchburg Grows.

This is a delightful way to get in the holiday spirit and to get some decorating ideas. Tickets are only \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Tickets are on sale now at Aylor's Farm and Garden Center and at Given's Books. The following neighbors also have tickets to sell: Jennie Aveson, Debbie Farrago, Betty Ann Hyssong, Beth Manns, Margie Miller, Angie Power, Nancy Selmer, Vicki Sharrett, Marcy Shilling, and Bonnie Wishon.



*This is the home that Garden Thyme will be decorating this year.*

*725 Longwood Avenue*

*Lost a pet or found a stray animal? We can help. Contact [ivyhillforest@gmail.com](mailto:ivyhillforest@gmail.com) or any IHHA Board member to send out a community-wide email alert. Provide a photo of the animal if possible.*

**Christmas Decorations**

It's time to start thinking once again about decorating the neighborhood entrances for the holidays. Members of the IHHA Board of Directors decorate the main Ivy Hill entrance each year and the local neighborhoods decorate the other entrances. So talk to your neighbors, put together a team, and come up with a plan for decorating your neighborhood entrance. Decorate your entrance any time after Thanksgiving. The Newsletter photographers will go around taking pictures of the decorations on Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> (weather permitting) for the January Newsletter. Take your decorations down the weekend after New Year's Day.

**Ivy Hill / Forest History**

If you have any old photos or interesting historical information about Ivy Hill or the Forest area that you would like to share with the community, contact the Editor at [IvyHillForest@gmail.com](mailto:IvyHillForest@gmail.com)

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**2017 IHHA Membership**

There is still time to join the Ivy Hill homeowners Association (IHHA) for 2017. All Ivy Hill residents benefit from the efforts of the IHHA. These include:

- mowing & landscaping at the entrances
- maintaining entrance signs & lighting
- publishing newsletters and hosting an informative web site
- sponsoring an Oktoberfest family event
- providing an email hot line for lost & found, stray pets, and community information
- publishing the Ivy Hill telephone & services directory

Your participation in the IHHA is needed!

If you have not yet elected to join with your neighbors in supporting the IHHA for 2017, now is the time.

Your membership payment of only \$40 may be submitted either by check, your bank's convenient *Bill Pay* feature, or by PayPal. 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.

Please take a moment to support your community association.



<b>Name(s)</b>	
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**IHHA**

**Only \$40 per year**

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## Oktoberfest 2017

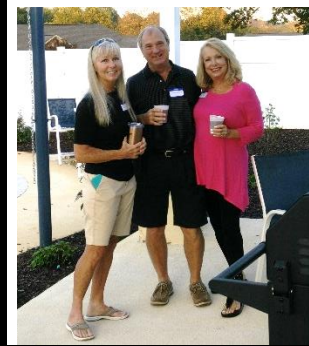
On a beautiful fall evening, October 14<sup>th</sup>, the Ivy Hill Homeowners Association and the Ivy Hill Ladies Association once again hosted Oktoberfest at the newly renovated Ivy Hill Golf Club pavilion. More than 120 Ivy Hill residents and their guests enjoyed a fun filled evening of live entertainment, food, beer and connecting with neighbors.

Matthew Howard was our entertainer. He played a wide range of songs that were enjoyed by all. Our traditional German menu consisted of beer, bratwurst, hotdogs, sauerkraut, red cabbage, German potato salad, tossed green salad and a theme decorated cake.

There was something for kids too. Susan Nicholas organized the children's activities which included pumpkin decorating and a coloring contest; thereby creating a fun time for the little ones. Great job Susan!

I want to thank everyone who helped decorate Friday afternoon, those who helped setup Saturday, the ladies who checked in guests, our servers, those who prepared food, those who worked the grill, and all who stayed to clean up. Without you the event would not have been such a huge success. Also a big thanks to Chris Wilmonth of Runk and Pratt for your help.

Bonnie Wishon



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## **Hardcopy Newsletters to be Phased Out**

Residents are increasingly choosing to get their newsletters electronically. Consequently, readership of the hardcopy version has declined. Our bulk mailing permit specifies a minimum mailing size of 150 copies. We will likely hit that limit early next year. When we do, 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](mailto:ivyhillforest@gmail.com). Past copies of the electronic version of the newsletter can also be downloaded from the Ivy Hill Website ([ivyhill-forest.org](http://ivyhill-forest.org)) at any time.



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