# Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association Newsletter

January 2022



Banner Photo by Bill Hite

# **IHHA President's Message**

I hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! It seems that we are going to have to deal with COVID-19 for another year or at least until we can spend more time outdoors. Did you enjoy the snow last Sunday? I did. Everyone be safe.

Several Ivy Hill residents attended the Bedford County five year Planning Commission meeting on November 30. The County still has one more public meeting scheduled before the plan becomes effective. The preliminary results of their survey are that the County wants to preserve agriculture while attracting visitors. The plan will take several months to finalize. The IHHA intends to be an advocate for or against any issue that affects the Ivy Hill community. If there are issues that you think we should get involved in, contact us at <a href="ivyhillforest@gmail.con">ivyhillforest@gmail.con</a> and we will consider them.

Ivy Hill is a deed restricted community. There is a sentence in your deed which states: "The property hereby conveyed is conveyed subject to all ... restrictions heretofore imposed upon said property ... now binding thereon." The restrictions were imposed by the Developer of your neighborhood, not the IHHA. So regardless of whether you belong to the IHHA or not, these restrictions apply to your property. Please read and review the Reservations & Restrictions that are applicable to your neighborhood. They can be found on our web site at ivyhill-forest.org under Planning\Homeowner Association\lvy Hill\lvy Hill Restrictions.

The Architectural Committee has to review and approve any new construction, additions, decks, porches, pools, fencing, or mass plantings. Sharon Mahon Padowicz is the Architectural Committee chairman. Contact her to request review of your plans by the Architectural Committee. Her contact information is (434) 401-1846 (cell) or <a href="mailto:smahonfun@gmail.com">smahonfun@gmail.com</a>.

In January we elect the IHHA Board of Directors for the new year. See the ballot on page 2 of this Newsletter immediately following this message . To vote, you must have been an active dues-paying member of the IHHA in 2021 or have joined the IHHA since the start of the year. Also, if you are a current IHHA member, please consider serving on the IHHA Board yourself. We almost always have a few openings on the Board during the year due to moves and resignations. The Board typically only has five or six formal meetings a year that last an hour to an hour and half. Otherwise, most of our

business is conducted remotely via phone or email. You may also be given short assignments during the year. This is your opportunity to shape the Ivy Hill community.

Remember that the speed limit in the neighborhood is 25 mph and the roads may be covered with snow or ice, especially during the morning commute. Be careful out there. I hope you have an enjoyable winter. Be safe.

Tom Haertel, IHHA President

### IHHA 2022 Ballot

Ten candidates have agreed to stand for election to the IHHA 2022 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 <a href="https://livyHillForest@gmail.com">https://livyHillForest@gmail.com</a>; or if you don't have a scanner, 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 **2022 BALLOT Board of Directors** Barb Walton Bill Guzek Bob Harvey Karen Schwabe Lew Walton Mark Poole Rene Koch Sandi Caldwell Susan Nicholas Tom Haertel 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 have been an IHHA member in 2021 or have already joined for 2022 to vote.



## **Ivy Hill Ladies Association**

Howdy-do Ladies of the Ivy Hills,

Here's wishing that everyone is healthy and enjoying their slice of life. We're all hoping for this new year 2022 to lighten up on the virus so we can get together again. I'm sorry we didn't have our fall meeting; but since I was ill, I canceled it. I did get better before Thanksgiving so our family trip to the OBX was wonderful!

No plans yet for this year but will let you all know when I know. Since we did not spend money last year on events, if you paid your 2020 dues you are all paid up for 2022. However, if you were not a member in 2021 and you are interested in joining the Ivy Hill Ladies Association, please contact me at 434-665-7861.

Stay healthy and content with these crazy times we are living through.

Cheers,

Vicki Sharrett, IHLA President

## **New Neighbors**

Please welcome the following new residents to the Ivy Hill community:

- Thomas & Sable Purvis 815 lvy Lake Drive
- Jimmy McDorman 709 Ivy Lake Drive
- Brenda Sizemore 712 lvy Lake Drive
- Robert & Vicki Gammon 1131 Ivy Woods Drive
- Tara Addair 102 Ivy Lake Drive
- Ronald & Helen Golen 112 Trading Block Lane
- George Dailey & Veronica Weaver 316 Quail Ridge Drive
- Diane Revere & John Fenno Jr. 101 Millview Terrace
- Patricia Siehen & Jessica Worsham 1040 Grandset Drive
- Tony & Elizabeth Cothron 1244 Cedarberry Lane
- Patricia & Todd Jennings 1115 Overlake Avenue
- David & Susan Boyd 400 Quail Ridge Drive
- Anthony & Nora Pilolli 106 Trading Block Lane

If you know of a new resident in Ivy Hill, or a house that has changed hands recently, please contact the IHHA at <a href="https://livyHillForest@gmail.com">lvyHillForest@gmail.com</a> so we can update our database and arrange for them to be greeted.



#### **Christmas in Ivy Hill**











Ads in the IHHA Newsletter are only \$25 per issue and reach more than 600 lvy Hill households.

Contact the Editor at

IvyHillForest@gmail.com

# Join the IHHA!

Your financial support is needed to continue the various projects of the Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association.

# Your membership of only \$40 supports activities such as:

- Landscaping and mowing at entranceways
- Mulching, seeding, pruning, and weed control
- Maintenance of entranceways
- Lighting at the entranceways
- IHHA Newsletter
- Ivy Hill Directory
- Ivy Hill Website
- Holiday decorations at the entranceways
- Email hot line for lost & found items, wayward pets, and community information & alerts.

You can now pay your membership using PayPal. Follow the *IHHA Membership* link under *Planning* at <a href="http://ivyhill-forest.org">http://ivyhill-forest.org</a>. You may also use the convenient "Bill Pay" feature of your on-line banking to remit your membership payment.

If you are paying by check, fill out the form below and mail it along with your check to the Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association at the address at the bottom.

## We would also gladly accept donations in any amount at any time during the year!

	Name(s)		
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	Phone		IHHA
	E-mail		
	Please check one or more of the following:  2022 Dues \$40  Donation \$  Mail to IHHA, PO Box 353, Forest, VA 24551		



12 Upscale Buffet | \$29.99/adult | \$14.99/under 12 CALL (434) 373.7371 TO RSVP OR INQUIRE

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## **Ann Hite**

We regret having to tell you that Ann Hite passed away on November 16, 2021. Ann and her husband Jim were some of the first residents of Ivy Hill, having moved here from Richmond in 1974.

In her later years Ann was impaired by increasingly severe rheumatoid arthritis in her hands and feet. This limited her activities but never stopped her from doing what she wanted to do. She especially enjoyed playing golf and participating in the Ivy Hill Ladies Golf League. She even scored a hole-in-one on the 15th hole behind her house.

The famous entertainer Bob Hope also loved golf. One day when he was playing an exhibition round at Ivy Hill, he hit his tee shot on the 15<sup>th</sup> hole well to the left of the green. It landed in the rough near where Ann was standing at the back of her yard. When he drove his cart up to the ball he asked Ann, "How does it look?" She answered "Round, with dimples." Mr. Hope later used the joke when he was talking with some fans after the round.



Ann Lucas Hite July 24, 1926 - November 16, 2021

Ann also knew what to do with a shotgun. When the subdivision was new and more rural than it is today, the Hites along with a number of other early residents farmed a vacant plot of land behind the 15<sup>th</sup> green. Ann would keep watch from her kitchen, roll up her window, and pick off any critters that dared to raid the garden. One time a neighbor inquired about a shooting that they had heard earlier in the day. Ann asked "How many shots did you hear.?" The neighbor said "Two". Ann replied, "Then it wasn't me. I only need one shot."

Ann was born on July 24, 1926 in Staunton, Va., and grew up just outside of town in a historic home on a large orchard property, called Fox Hill. In 1948 she graduated with a major in music from Mary Baldwin College. She and Jim married on July 23, 1949.

During the years 1982 to 2009 she had a shop in the Peddler Antiques Mall in Forest. That enabled her to pursue antique treasures and socialize with the other dealers.

Ann and Jim travelled widely with their sons Eppa and Bill. The family took two cross-country camping trips and several to beaches. She and Jim visited 48 states and two territories of the US. Between 1968 and 2007 they toured or cruised to the Panama Canal, Hawaii, Alaska, Nova Scotia, England, Scandinavia, Russia, France, Italy, Switzerland, Germany, Holland, Spain, the Mediterranean, Australia and New Zealand, around South America, Chile, Guatemala, Mexico, China, and the Caribbean several times. In later years, 1989 to 2017, they enjoyed getaway weeks at their partner-shared condo in Litchfield, S.C.

In March 2020 Ann was the subject of the cover story "Ann Hite, First Lady of Ivy Hill" in the magazine "Life in the Ivy."

Ann will be remembered for her cheerfulness and determination. She demonstrated great courage

and maintained a positive, upbeat outlook throughout her life. She will be missed by all who knew her.



Lost a pet or found a stray animal? We can help. Contact <a href="LvyHillForest@gmail.com">LvyHillForest@gmail.com</a> or any IHHA officer or Board member.



## **Ivy Hill History**

On July 24, 1888 The Daily Virginian carried a story about the collision of two Norfolk and Western trains, a "material" train and a freight train, about 8 miles west of Lynchburg near Forest. The engineer driving the eastbound material train was Walter Harris of Lynchburg and the engineer driving the westbound train, also identified in the article as the third section of freight train #57, was John Henry of Pennsylvania. Both men died in the accident, seven other people working on the trains were killed, and both trains were demolished as you can see in this contemporary photograph.



Both trains were running at full speed on a down grade when the collision occurred in a small cut just beyond Clay's Crossing. The larger engine pulling the westbound freight train ran up on top of the smaller engine pulling the eastbound material train and both tumbled over on their sides still locked together. The accident which occurred at night around 1:00 am was later blamed on a confusion of orders.

If you have any old photos or interesting historical information about Ivy Hill and the surrounding area that you would like to share with the community, contact the Editor at <a href="https://www.livy.hill.com">www.livy.hill.com</a>



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