

Ivy Hill Homeowner's Association Newsletter

July 2024



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IHHA President's Message

Our annual membership drive is in full swing. We need everyone's financial help even if you live in a subdivision that has its own HOA. We serve the entire Ivy Hill community, maintain its public areas, and light the entrances at night for your safety. The dues are only \$40 a year. Less than half of Ivy Hill residents joined the IHHA last year. It's unfair that this community-minded minority has to foot the bill for services that benefit the whole community. Do the right thing. Join now. See the article on Page 9 of this Newsletter.

We have planted more flowers around the sign at the Ivy hill main entrance. See the article on Page 3 of this Newsletter. Unfortunately, the weather has turned hot with no rain. I would like to thank my army of volunteers for watering the plants every day.

We keep receiving complaints about dogs running loose in the Ivy Hill community. Bedford County has a subdivision-based leash law and Ivy Hill is one of those subdivisions. Please don't let your dogs run loose, and pick up after them when you walk them on Ivy Hill streets. Also, don't feed the wild animals, especially the foxes. See the article on Page 3 of this Newsletter. Report dangerous wild animals to our email address: ivyhillforest@gmail.com.

Just a reminder to keep your lawns and yards nice. By maintaining the outside of your property and your dwelling, you are respecting your neighbors and the Ivy Hill community. Neat properties also help reduce the ongoing problem of littering along the roadways in the community. Please pick up the trash on the front of your yard and cut back any grass or weeds along the road front on any nearby vacant lots.

Remember that the speed limit in the neighborhood is 25 mph. Ivy Hill has many hills and curves, so drive responsibly. Now that it's summer, children are out of school; so watch out for them too. They may be playing in or near the street, or may be walking home from a friend's house or the pool. **Drive safely and have an enjoyable summer.**

Tom Haertel, IHHA President

Ivy Hill Ladies Association

Summer Greetings ladies of IHLA,

Boy, is it hot this summer already! We have a summer party planned for Saturday, August 31, 5:00-7:00.

We sure could benefit from a few more volunteers to help make the plans for this get together. It is fun being part of a successful group who planned a great party. If you are interested, please contact Linda Zerby by phone at 434-525-3044 or via her email belugaship@icloud.com.

We always welcome new members. The dues are \$30.00 a year, with 2 meetings, and 4 parties. If you would like to join the IHLA, contact me by phone at 434-665-7861 or by email at vckshrrt@gmail.com.

The Ivy Hills Lady Association is a friendly group of neighbors and a good way to meet new friends.

Have a safe and cool summer,

Vicki Sharrett, IHLA President



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

Ivy Hill Architectural Committee

The Ivy Hill Architectural Committee was created by Allen Harvey. It reviews and approves the plans for all new-build construction, major renovations, additions, improvements, and mass plantings in the original Ivy Hill development. It also serves the neighborhoods that he developed later that also use the general Ivy Hill Reservations & Restrictions. They can be found on your Ivy Hill Website (ivyhill-forest.org) under Planning tab at Homeowner Association\Ivy Hill\Ivy Hill Restrictions. Some Ivy Hill neighborhoods that were developed by other developers have separate Restrictions and their own Architectural Committee or other compliance mechanism; but all Ivy Hill neighborhoods were created as deed restricted developments. Most of these later restrictions can also be found on the Website under the same tab by clicking on your neighborhood. If you are unsure as to which Ivy Hill neighborhood you live in or which Restrictions apply to your property, take a look at the color-coded

map that is also posted under the Planning tab. Select the last option Ivy Hill Map on the pull-down menu. If the restrictions for your neighborhood are not listed, contact your neighborhood HOA.

The general Ivy Hill Reservations & Restrictions and the equivalent Restrictions of the various Ivy Hill neighborhoods that came later have been applied differently at different times over their histories. Also, times have changed, and the original developers did not anticipate fiber-optic cable and direct-to-home satellite communications, internet-empowered remote work, solar power, or some of the other aspects of modern life when they drafted the Restrictions a half-century ago. If you have any questions about how the Restrictions apply to your home and property, contact the Ivy Hill Architectural Committee before you start planning any changes. Likewise, if you live in a neighborhood that has separate Restrictions and you are thinking about making changes, contact your neighborhood HOA or local Architectural Committee as soon as possible.

Sharon Mahon, Chair
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(434) 401-1846

Ivy Hill Entrances

All of the initial plantings in the newly landscaped bed around the sign at the Ivy Hill main entrance made it through the winter. Then when the weather warmed sufficiently in the spring, the rest of the plants were added. Unfortunately, the main entrance irrigation system was taken out of service many years ago. Consequently, water must be trucked up to the sign in tubs and spread over the plants by hand whenever there is no rain (basically every day this past June but one). Thank you to the team of volunteers that has taken on this duty:

- Sandi Caldwell
- Tom Haertel
- Sharon Mahon
- Susan Nicholas
- Lew Walton

If you would like to help, call Tom Haertel at (434) 525-4229.

Foxes

The fox population in Ivy Hill seems to have exploded this year, especially in the Lake Ridge Drive – Hitching Post Lane neighborhood. They are probably the offspring of the fox that raised her litter in the ravine at the bottom of Lake Ridge Drive last year.

Please do not feed them. They may be cute, but wildlife needs to stay wild.



Ivy Hill Facebook Page



Ivy Hill Homeowners Association

95 likes • 124 followers



The Ivy Hill Facebook page is easy to find. Look up Ivy Hill Homeowners Association and give us a like! You can also DM (direct message) us there with neighborhood questions, lost animals, local information, activities, or photos that you feel would be of interest to the communities.

Linen & Newspaper Drive

The local animal shelters are in dire need of clean linens and newspapers to line the animal's cages. If you have old linens (towels, blankets, or sheets) or newspapers that you would be willing to contribute to this worthy cause, contact Barb Walton at either bwaltonforest@gmail.com or 525-0459.

New Neighbors

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

- Thomas & Karen Chadwick
1186 Cedarberry Lane
- Cathy & Wayne Kerr
1156 Club Terrace
- Daniel & Rachel Vollmer
503 Quail Roost Drive
- Jean & William Beck
1142 Grandset Drive
- Fred & Patricia Brewer
1150 Grandset Drive
- William & Shelley Gillespie
107 Eastwind Drive
- Donna Bumgardner & Kevin Yahner
1454 Lakepointe Drive
- Joseph & Cynthia Elmore
117 Sailview Drive
- Valerie & Bruce Fitzpatrick
125 Sailview 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 and arrange for them to be greeted.

Ivy Hill History

In the 1970s and 1980s when Ivy Hill was being actively developed, the community had many unique benefits and traditions that have since been discontinued. Here's what we have lost!

- Private golf carts.
- Wooden street signs & mailbox posts handmade by Mr. Dobbins.
- Ivy Hill Airport.
- Cattle on Ivy Creek and knee-high hay in the golf course roughs to feed them.
- A private water system fed by a tower behind the 11th green.
- A giant community Christmas tree made by stringing lights from that tower.
- Community carol sing-alongs around the tower-tree every Christmas.
- Luminaries lined the streets of Ivy Hill at Christmas.
- Easter egg hunt.
- Pool parties in the summer and frequent community social events year round.
- Free July 4th fireworks on the driving range.
- TV antenna in the attic that could only pick up three over-the-air stations on a good day.
- A working irrigation system and standard-voltage floodlights all along the main entrance island.
- And after Ivy Lake was constructed, lake access for the whole community.

Some of these things have gone by because of the inevitable march of progress. However, many others have died because we no longer act together as a community. Too many new residents move in, live on the internet, and never speak to their neighbors. Less than half of Ivy Hill residents join the IHHA to help maintain the public spaces and light the entrances. Only a tiny fraction of Ivy Hill ladies join the IHLA and help organize social events.

So sad!

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 IvyHillForest@gmail.com

Bedford County Sherriff's Office Golf Tournament

The Bedford County Sheriff's Office is excited to announce that the 30th Annual Bedford County Sheriff's Office Golf Tournament is scheduled to take place on July 20th at Ivy Hill Golf Course. The golf tournament serves as a crucial fundraiser for the Bedford County Sheriff's Office Community Services Division, the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) program, and various community events organized by the Community Services Division. These initiatives play a significant role in fostering a safe and supportive environment for our youth and the broader community. See the flyer on Page 6 of this Newsletter.

The Bedford County Sheriff's Office invites teams of four, both men and women, to participate in this exciting event. There are still team spots available, so gather your friends, family, or colleagues and join them for a day on the greens. In addition to golfing, participants will enjoy a delicious lunch provided by the Timberlake Road Chick-fil-A. A Registration form can be found on Page 7

The Bedford County Sheriff's Office is also seeking door prize donations, tee sponsors, and event sponsors to help make this event a success. Your generous support will directly impact their ability to continue offering these essential programs and events. Sponsor openings and rates can be found on the flyer on Page 8.

BEDFORD
COUNTY
SHERIFFS
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PRESENTS:

30TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT



**EARLY-
REGISTRATION:
\$300 PER TEAM**
**MULIGAN PACKAGE:
\$50 PER TEAM**

2 FLIGHTS AT:
8A & 2P JULY 20TH
2024

IVY HILLS GOLF COURSE

1148 IVY HILL DR, FOREST, VA 24551

WIN PRIZES

HOLE IN 1
MOST HONEST
FIRST FINISHER
LONGEST DRIVE

AGENDA

8 AM 1st Flight Registration
12 PM - 1 PM Lunch will be Provided,
Awards for the 1st flight
1 PM 2nd Flight Registration

**PROCEEDS BENEFIT
BEDFORD COUNTY SHERIFF'S
SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER &
DARE PROGRAM**



**Register Now:
Bedford County Sheriffs Office**

**540-586-7718
rclayton@bedfordsheriff.org**

**1345 Falling Creek Road
Bedford, Va, 24523**

BEDFORD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

GOLF TOURNAMENT

Registration Information:

TEAM NAME: _____

GOLFER'S NAMES: _____ **CONTACT NUMBER:** _____

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: BEDFORD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

MAIL TO: 1345 FALLING CREEK RD, BEDFORD, VA, 24523

**QUESTIONS? 540-586-7718 OR E-MAIL:
RCLAYTON@BEDFORDSHERIFF.ORG**

ENCLOSED AMOUNT: _____

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30th Annual BCSO Golf Tournament

Sponsorship Levels



Diamond Event Sponsor
\$1,500
Two four player teams

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*COMPANY LOGO ON SOCIAL MEDIA *LOGO ON PROGRAM

Platinum Event Sponsor
\$1,200
One four player team

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Longest Drive
Only 2 Available!
One Per Flight \$250

*COMPANY LOGO ON SIGNAGE AT LONGEST DRIVE HOLE *COMPANY
LOGO ON SOCIAL MEDIA *LOGO ON PROGRAM

Donations and Door Prizes
Welcomed

**Donators will be recognized at the
event**



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, a debit card, or credit card. Follow the *IHHA Membership* link under *Planning* at <http://ivyhill-forest.org>. 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)	
Address	
Landline Cell #1 Cell #2	
E-mail #1 E-mail #2	

IHHA

Please check one or more of the following:

- 2024 Dues \$40
 Donation \$ _____

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