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*The Newsletter for Highland
Pointe Residents*

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Highland Pointe Snowed In!



January 9th brought the Atlanta area more snow than we have seen in years.

While the kids were celebrating the closing of the schools, two of our neighbors were hard at work helping to make our roads safe to travel on. We would like to thank **Mr. Mike Dickman**, owner of Multi Trade Construction, who plowed North Mountain Road several times. We would also like to thank **Mr. Ted Spies** who salted the entrances during this snow storm, as well as the evening of the Freezing Rain that paralyzed the Metro area, and on our "White Christmas" day. We are fortunate to have such generous residents in Highland Pointe! Please thank these gentlemen when you see them!

Calendar

February

7 Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 pm
21-25 Cobb County School Winter break

March

7 Board of Directors Meeting, 6:30pm
15 Deadline for Apr/May Pipeline



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The Highland Pointe office will be closed February 16-19, 2011. All messages and emails will be returned on Monday, February 21st.

Directories Delivered

The 2011 Highland Pointe directories have been delivered! Thank you to Rhonda Hester, Jean Kahn, Judy Kimball, Laura Richards and Becky Smith for helping to deliver them!

If you are a paying member of the homeowners' association, and you have not received your directory, please contact the office at (770) 973-0925



Too Many Cars in the Street!

The office has been receiving several complaints about the number of cars parked in the street. It can be very unsafe, especially when a car is parked near a curve, and drivers have to drive towards oncoming traffic to get around the parked cars. It is also a nuisance if a car is parked directly opposite a driveway, as it is difficult to back out without hitting the parked car.

Please park your cars in your driveway and have your guests do the same.

THANK YOU to the following people who deliver the Pipeline!

Lee Berg, Beth Fulghum, Tamara Pendley, Jane Osman, Kim Palazzone, Laura Richards, Julie Walls, Dorie Wall, and Paul Amoruso.

This is a big job, and one that is greatly appreciated by the Editor!

New Residents

If you are a new resident in Highland Pointe or The Grove at Highland Pointe and you have NOT received a new resident information packet, please call the Highland Pointe Office at 770-973-0925.



Tennis News

Plans are under way to reorganize the Highland Pointe Tennis Committee. Specific needs are for 6 or 7 individuals - one to schedule and conduct seasonal meetings to determine practice times; three as representatives for Highland Pointe Women, Men, and Junior teams; one or two to organize tennis socials; and one to help with communication of tennis events in the neighborhood (write Pipeline articles, etc.). If you are interested in being on this committee to promote tennis in Highland Pointe, please email judyctaylor@bellsouth.net.



2011 ALTA Dates to Remember:

March 17 – Spring Thursday Women ALTA play begins

March 19 – Spring Men and Junior ALTA play begins

March 20 – Spring Sunday Women ALTA play begins

April 13 – Summer Mixed Doubles & Senior ALTA roster deadline

May 5 – Summer Thursday Women USTA roster deadline

May 7 – Summer Business Women USTA roster deadline

Recreation Keys are for Adults Only

There have been reports of residents under the age of 16 being in the steam room and weight room. This is against the Clubhouse Rules & Guidelines (found on the website under References) which state:

“No person under the age of 16 is permitted to use the exercise or steam and sauna rooms without a parent or responsible adult present. No person under the age of 12 is permitted to use these areas. If you wish for anyone between the ages of 12 and 16 to use the exercise area, you must first submit a letter to the Board requesting a waiver and stating your responsibility.”

Please do not give your children the Recreation key. Failure to comply with these rules may result in the loss of your Clubhouse privileges.



Highland Pointe Outdoor Holiday Decorating Contest Winners

Once again Highland Pointe looked beautiful during this Holiday Season! There were so many festive lights that it was really hard to narrow it down to a few winners. Many neighbors even put up lights after the judging took place that looked awesome! Thanks to everyone who helped judge!

Overall Best Display Grand Award

Chris and Diane Esposito
4320 Highborne Drive

Best Yard Display Grand Award

Randy and Rhonda Ennever
4528 North Slope Circle

Most Creative Use of Lights Award

Gordon and Debbie Lundquist
4271 Highborne Drive

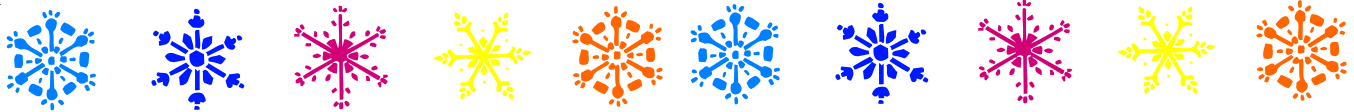
Best Yard Display Honorable Mention

Ted and Michel Spies
4524 Club House Drive

Creative Use of Lights Honorable Mention

Jason and Annette White
4311 Highborne Drive

Wayne and Jean Christian
4515 Club House Drive



New Equipment Purchase for Weightroom

We have three new pieces of equipment in the Weight room of our clubhouse! The Board approved the purchase of a Treadmill, an Elliptical and a Stairclimber as part of its effort to “beef up” our facilities for our Recreation members. Please remember that these are the property of our association and its members, so if you see anyone misusing anything in the room, please report it to the Board. Help us keep our investments nice and useable for our community!





HIGHLAND POINTE RECREATION
ASSOCIATION, INC.

Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, December 13, 2010

Board Members in Attendance: ; Mr. Dan Raby, Treasurer; Mr. Bob Kimball, Pool; Ms. Rhonda Hester, Administrator; Mr. Dave Gunnells, Clubhouse; Mr. Steve Laufersweiler, Grounds; Mr. Jason Salmon, ACC; Ms. Diana Conrad, Social; and Ms. Mary Ciesielski, Admin. Assistant

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Laufersweiler made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2010 Board Meeting. Mr. Raby seconded the motion and it passed.

Monthly Budget Update

Mr. Raby presented the income received and the expenses incurred during November, 2010. The report was accepted as information.

Discussion of Action Items

The following is a synopsis of the items discussed and the actions taken.

- The Board discussed its satisfaction with the law firm Highland Pointe has kept on retainer, as it will be up for renewal in January. Mr. Raby noted that there are different levels of retainers the law firm offers, and maybe it would be worth investigating those levels to possibly reduce our cost. Ms. Ciesielski will send a copy of the invoice once it is received to the board members for discussion.
- Ms. Ciesielski will have the attorneys begin the lien procedures in January on the three non-paying permanent members who have not responded to any notices sent by the association.
- Mr. Salmon and his committee will

be visiting homes that have received ACC notices to see if they have complied with the requests. Warning letters will be sent to some homes in January.

- Mr. Laufersweiler will be soliciting bids for a lawn service for 2011.
- Mr. Kimball noted that he has received the pool contract for 2011. Nautix will be raising prices roughly 5%. He will work with Mr. Tock to determine the necessary hours we will need lifeguards. Mr. Kimball is considering "swim at your own risk" for some evenings during the week, but would always keep guards on duty during the weekend hours.
- Mr. Kimball also reported that the lifeguard fee for private parties will go up this year.
- Mr. Kimball brought up the possibility of purchasing a defibrillator for the recreation area.
- Mr. Gunnells received a quote to paint the interior of the clubhouse, and to remove the popcorn finish in the ladies room ceiling, of \$1200. He also received a quote for \$2000 to paint the walls and trim of the downstairs. No action was taken on this matter at this time, but the Board agreed that the women's bathroom needed to be addressed soon.
- Mr. Laufersweiler met with a steamroom service technician. A new system is approximately \$6000 inclusive of installation. An electrician also came out to check the wiring of the steam room and the weight room to ensure it was adequate for our needs.
- There are several pieces of equipment that are broken in the weight room. Mr. Raby will get quotes on servicing the pieces that are still working, and prices of new equipment. It was suggested that a line item be added to the budget for new equipment each year to better maintain the weight room.

-The slate of Board members for 2011 was presented. Mr. Gunnells made motions to approve the new members of the board and the slate. Ms. Hester seconded both motions and they passed.

-The clubhouse carpet will be cleaned in January.

Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, January 17, 2010

Board Members in Attendance: Mr. Bob Kimball, President; Mr. Dan Raby, Clubhouse; Mr. Matt Tock, Pool; Ms. Rhonda Hester, Administrator; Ms. Judy Taylor, Tennis; Mr. Steve Laufersweiler, Grounds; Mr. Steve Fincher, Social; and Ms. Mary Ciesielski, Admin. Assistant.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Raby made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2010 Board Meeting. Mr. Laufersweiler seconded the motion and it passed.

Monthly Budget Update

Mr. Raby presented the income received and the expenses incurred during October, 2010. The report was accepted as information.

Discussion of Action Items

The following is a synopsis of the items discussed and the actions taken.

- The Board members were asked to the HP website to update their section so that it can be better utilized to communicate to current and future residents
- Mr. Kimball presented an ACC report of properties that have been under review. Mr. Kimball will have Mr. Salmon begin issuing Warning letters. The pipeline will continue to publish warnings and violations issued.
- The Bylaws for Phase 5 state that the Board can have parked vehicles that are not in compliance with the covenants, such as RV's, trailers, and boats towed. The

Board discussed taking this type of action for chronic violators.

-Mr. Tock will investigate the possibility of securing a Coke machine for the pool area.

-Ms. Taylor will order a new sign for the tennis courts that outlines the rules.

-The Board discussed the number of cars still being parked in the streets. Mr. Raby pointed out that cars not parked with the flow of traffic can be ticketed by police.

-The lock to the weight room has been fixed, as well as the ladies room ceiling.

-Mr. Raby made a motion to purchase two Class A Demo pieces of equipment for the weight room, an elliptical and a stair climber, for a total of \$4700. Mr. Laufersweiler seconded the motion and it passed.

-Mr. Raby also made a motion to purchase a gently used commercial grade treadmill from

the Hester family for \$1200. Ms. Taylor seconded the motion and it passed with Ms. Hester abstaining.

-Mr. Raby reported that the rowing machine is now working well, and the remaining pieces are in decent condition. Mr. Raby removed the non-working pieces of equipment from the weight room.

-Mr. Raby is replacing the intake vent in the clubhouse basement hallway. He noted that it was very clogged, and could be the root of the leak that seems to be coming from the A/C system. Once the A/C is running the issue will be resolved and the hole in the ceiling will be patched.

-Mr. Raby discussed the painting quote discussed last month. He agreed it would be a good thing to do, but at this time the Associations money would be better spent on equipment and necessary expenditures versus

cosmetic. He has patched the holes in the hallway, and he may pursue volunteers to paint the downstairs hallway.

- Mr. Kimball noted that Mr. Mike Dickman plowed North Mountain Road during the storm, and Mr. Ted Spies spread salt on more than one occasion at the entrances.

-Mr. Kimball asked the Board to come up with 2-3 items for a "wish list" of projects for the neighborhood. The Board will put all the ideas together at the February meeting and prioritize such expenditures.

Having no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

Next Board Meeting

Monday, February 7, 2011
6:30 - 8:00 pm, Clubhouse

	Budget FY 10-11	Actual (as of 12/31/10)
HPRA Income	\$98,000.00	\$95,062.00
HPHOA Income	73,215.00	69,914.00
Other Income	<u>1,800.00</u>	<u>835.67</u>
Total Income	\$173,015.00	\$165,811.67
HPRA Expenses	\$97,150.00	\$101,307.26
HPHOA Expenses	66,100.00	44,776.14
Other Expenses	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Expenses	\$163,250.00	\$146,083.40
HPRA/HPHOA Net Income	\$9,765.00	\$19,728.27

The following shows the breakdown of expenses vs. budgets for the period ending 12/31/2010:

	Budget FY 10-11	Actual Expenses (as of 12/31/10)
HPRA Expenses:	\$97,150.00	\$101,307.26
Clubhouse	11,850.00	6,431.68
Tennis	3,500.00	32,888.91
Social	6,500.00	3,497.79
Pool	31,300.00	30,261.36
Operations	32,300.00	24,754.47
Grounds	11,700.00	3,482.05



Jr. Trojan Cheer Try Outs



Interested in being a Jr. Trojan Cheerleader?

Clinic and Tryout Dates

- » Tryout Clinic / Monday, March 28th – Wednesday, March 30th (Lassiter Main Gym)
- » Tryouts - Thursday, March 31st (Lassiter Small Gym)
- » If you have any questions, please visit the Jr. Trojan Cheer website at <http://www.eteamz.com/jrtrojancheer/index.cfm>

Mandatory Parent and Student Meeting

- » Date coming soon - check the web site for updates.



Cobb Schools Make Up For Inclement Weather Days Feb. 2, Mar. 18

Cobb County schools will make up for lost instructional time due to inclement weather by making two changes to the spring semester calendar. Wednesday, Feb. 2, previously an early release day, will now be a full school day for students. Additionally, Friday, March 18, previously a teacher workday, will now be a full school day for students. If additional weather events should result in more missed school days, other make-up options will have to be considered. The District calendar has been updated to reflect these changes and is available to view in the 'Calendars' section.

Lassiter Band Recycling Program

The **Lassiter Band Boosters** are continuing their neighborhood recycling program, and would like to have your support. Pick up is on the third Saturday of every month; please have your items curbside by 10:00 am. Signs will be posted at the entrance midweek prior to each month's pick up as a convenient reminder. Items that are currently being accepted are **newspapers, magazines, junk mail, office/classroom paper, phone books, ink cartridges and aluminum cans.**

The Noble, Robbin, Khuri and Singer families will be collecting recyclables in Highland Pointe. If you would like to volunteer, or have any questions regarding the recycling program, please contact Bob or Rena Morgan at morgancubed@bellsouth.net.

Classified Ads

Classified Ad Rates & Info

Business Card Ad

\$10.00 One Issue business card sized ad. These ads are approximately 44 characters per line including spaces. This Ad measures 3 1/2 in. wide x 2 in. long.

\$7.50 Per issue when prepaid for 6 or 12 months.

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Quarter Page Ad

\$35.00 Per Issue Quarter-page ad. This ad measures approximately 3 1/2 in. wide x 4 1/4 in. long.

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\$60.00 One Issue 1/2 page ad. This ad measures approximately 6 1/2 in. wide x 4 1/2 in. long.

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5% Discount when prepaid for 6 issues

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5% Discount when prepaid for 6 Issues

**Discounts are based on running the SAME ad for the full discount period!! Any change (other than error correction) will require payment of the difference to the non-discounted rate, PLUS artwork fee of \$20 unless the new ad is provided camera-ready.

Ads must be placed and paid for by the 15th of the month for inclusion in the next month's newsletter. For more information on placing an ad, call the Highland Pointe Office at 770-973-0925. Please send payments to the office address:

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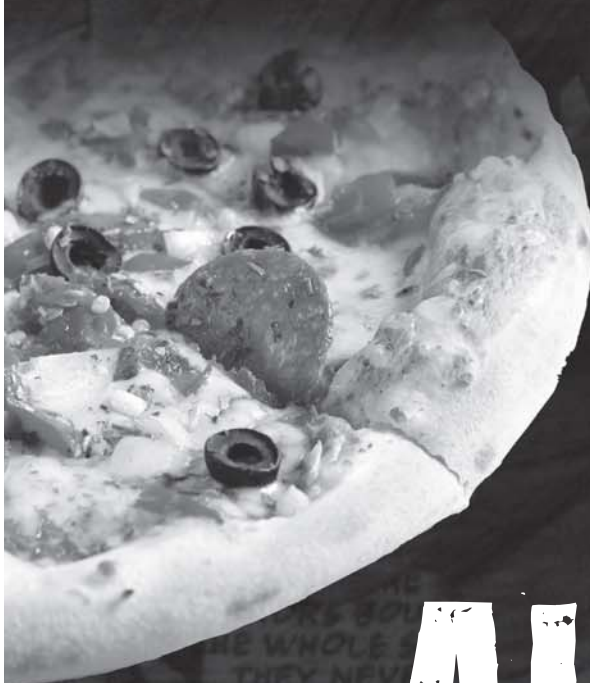
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