



The Newsletter for Highland Pointe Residents



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Membership Renewals Due for 2010 - 2011

It's time to renew your HIghland Pointe Homeowner and Recreation memberships. Your committment of \$155 towards a Homeowners (HPHOA) membership supports the maintenance of the entrances, trails, dams and walkways. Every resident benefits from these amenities, so if you have not joined before, please consider becoming a member in 2010.

The Highland Pointe facilities are some of the finest in East Cobb. We also offer many social and recreational events throughout the year, as well as holiday celebrations for your whole family. Your membership to the Recreation Association (HPRA) allows our community to grow and be a great place to live and play! If you are a permanent member, your HPRA dues are \$555 for the year. If you are a voluntary member, your dues are \$655.

Invoices for the 2010-2011 year will be sent out April 1st. In an effort to reduce costs, we are implementing membership tag/key pick up dates of May 1st and 2nd. If you mail your payment in before April 30th, your packet will be ready for you to pick up in the clubhouse between the hours of 9:00 am and 3:00 pm on Saturday, May 1st, and 12:00 - 3:00 pm on Sunday, May 2nd. You can also bring your payment to the clubhouse during those times and your packet will be prepared and given to you to take home that day. If you are unable to pick up your packet arrangements can be made by emailing the office at office @ highlandpointe.org.

Calendar

| April | |
|-------|----------------------------------|
| 4 | Easter |
| 5-9 | Spring Break, Cobb County |
| 12 | Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 |
| 21 | Swim Team Registration, 4:30-7pm |
| May | |
| 1-2 | Pool Tag/Key Pick Up |
| 3 | Board of Directors Meeting 6:30 |
| 15 | Deadline for June/July Pipeline |
| 21 | Ice Cream Social |
| 31 | Memorial Day Party |
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Highland Pointe Pool Opens for 2009 Season



The pool will be opening Saturday, May 15th from 11:00am - 9:00pm and Sunday, May 16th from 11:00am - 9:00pm. The permanent schedule will begin on Friday, May 21st from 2:00pm - 9:00pm. Check the pool calendar for dates and times all summer.

Some Key Rules to Remember

- All persons must display HPRA membership tags
- No smoking within fenced pool area
- Children must be 10 or complete the 4th grade to swim alone. All young or beginner swimmers between 10 and 14 must pass a swim test with the lifeguards prior to swimming alone.
- Non-member residents are not allowed to be guests at the pool or HPRA facilities.
- No glass bottles on pool deck, please bring plastic cups
- For pool parties, please contact the HPRA office. An additional lifeguard is required for any party involving 15 people either swimming or on pool deck.

Don't forget...the locks to Recreation Facilities will change May 3rd.

The Highland Pointe Office will be closed April 3 - 10. It will reopen on Monday, April 12th.

How do I get my Pool tags and Recreation Key?

Come down to the Clubhouse on May 1st between 9am and 3pm, or May 2nd between 1pm and 4pm. If your payment has been received in the office by April 30th, your packet will be waiting for you!

Playground Update

Playing is the Pointe!, the Brick Fundraising Program, is going great! As of the end of February, we have reached our first goal of \$6,000! Thank you to all who have contributed!

Each donor contributing \$100-\$299 will receive a 4x8 brick personalized with three lines of text. Donors over \$300 will receive an 8x8 brick with six lines of text. The personalized bricks will be installed in the Fall!

We are continuing to accept donations and brick orders throughout the summer, so if you would like to participate, please contact Jenny Rucker at 770 321 2404. Any size donation is greatly appreciated!

The new Play Set is scheduled to be installed the week of March 22. Ongoing improvements will be made over the next few years. Please feel free to send your ideas for improvements to: grounds@highlandpointe.org.

The existing play sets were removed and donated to Appalachian Outreach. They will be reconditioned and used at the proposed Samaritan House, a shelter for homeless families. Feel free to visit their website for more information: http://web.cn.edu/ao/Appalachian Outreach was founded in 1984. It is part of the Campus Ministry Department of Carson-Newman College, Jefferson, TN. This ministry serves a four county area and as a Christian Ministry is not funded by any federal funding. This ministry provides a food pantry, clothing ministry, learning center, home building and repair, and homeless shelter to those less fortunate in the surrounding area.

In recognition of our current donors

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Calling All Graduates!

We are again compiling our annual list of graduates (high school, college, trade school, etc.) in order to recognize them in the June/July issue of the Pipeline. If you are graduating, or are the proud parent or grandparent of a graduate, and would like to be included, please email your information to pipeline@highlandpointe.org by **May 15th**. The information needed for publication is:



Name (and family connection to Highland Pointe) School Attended

Degree or Diploma Earned

- *For high school graduates where you plan to attend college (if known)
- *For all others future plans (attend graduate school, where you'll be working, etc.)

Please remember to submit this information by **May 15th**.

To be included in the Highland Pointe Banner congratulating our High School Graduates, please send the Graduate's name to aa@highlandpointe.org by May 1st.

Dive into Summer at the Ice Cream Social!





Bring one of your favorite toppings
Friday, May 21st at the Tennis Pavilion
4PM - 5:30PM
HPRA Members

Swim Team Registration

The Highland Pointe Piranhas swim team is for ages 5-18 and you don't have to be an experienced swimmer to join. We have swimmers at all ages and levels. The cost for residents is \$70.00 for the first child and \$60.00 for the second. For non-residents the



first child is \$85 and the second is \$75. We have a new team of coaches this year, and they are very excited. Don't miss out on the fun... Be a Piranha! This is a great way to get to know people in the neighborhood and to give back to the kids of Highland Pointe. It's ok if you're going to be out of town for a week; we could still use your help! Tell your friends. Come join the team and let's make this another winning season for the Piranhas!

This season we will be swimming at the Gold Level. The schedule for our swim meets is as follows:

| Tuesday, June 1 | AWAY meet, vs Somerset |
|------------------|------------------------------|
| Tuesday, June 8 | HOME meet, vs Indian Hills |
| Tuesday, June 15 | AWAY meet, vs Mountain Creek |
| Tuesday, June 22 | HOME meet, vs Hampton Ridge |
| Tuesday, June 29 | AWAY meet, vs Windsor Oaks |

Please join us for registration at the Highland Pointe Clubhouse on Wednesday, April 21st from 4:30 - 7:00 pm. Representatives from Kastaway Swimwear will be there to assist you with our new suits.

Kelly FIncher, Swim Team Coordinator <u>Fincher6@bellsouth.net</u> 770-565-3714 (home) 678-677-1997 (cell)

Tennis News

The tennis courts are scheduled to be resurfaced starting the week of May 10th, and will take approximately two weeks to be completed. Please keep this in mind when scheduling any matches during that time. Thank you for your patience!



PLEASE REMEMBER TO TURN OFF THE TENNIS COURT LIGHTS IF YOU ARE THE LAST PLAYERS TO LEAVE AT NIGHT. THANK YOU!

HIGHLAND POINTE MEMORIAL DAY PARTY !!

Monday, May 31st 11am to 4pm at the pool



This is *FREE* to all HPRA Members Please bring your 2010-2011 membership badges.

Burgers, Dogs & DJ courtesy of Active Pest Control:

http://activepestcontrol.com/

Pack a Cooler!

<u>Bring a Side Dish to Share</u>

<u>Jumpy, Soft drinks & Beer provided by HPRA</u>

Grill Open from 12PM TO 3PM

Report Violations to the County!

The Community Development Agency has a division that is responsible for enforcing the Cobb County Codes. Many calls that come to the Board regarding neighbors yards, cars etc. fall under this agency's jurisdiction. The Architectural Control Chairperson encourages residents to report complaints to this Agency, because they have the authority to enforce such codes and require compliance within certain time perameters before fines are issued by the county. The website is:

http://comdev.cobbcountyga.gov/code.htm

This website also lists common violations found in Residential Neighborhoods, which will help you to determine if someone is violating a Cobb County Code.



FYI: Outdoor burning of trash is prohibited by the Highland Pointe Covenants at all times.

Highland Pointe Broadcast Emails

Are you receiving emails from Highland Pointe? If not, your email address is not registered with us. If you would like to be on our email recipient list, go to our website, www.highlandpointe.org and at the bottom of the home page is a link which reads "Click here to receive Highland Pointe Broadcast emails". Just click on that and follow the directions and you will be registered to receive these broadcast emails.



The Pipeline is posted on our website! If you have missed any issues, or would like to refer to any previous articles, go to www.highlandpointe.org and click on the Newsletter tab. You can choose whichever issue you would like to see!





HIGHLAND POINTE RECREATION ASSOCIATION, INC.

Board of Directors Meeting Monday, March 1, 2010

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

Guests in Attendance: Ms. Jenny Rucker and Ms. Denese Tock.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm.

Guest Presentation

Ms.Rucker presented and update on the new playground project. As of February 28th, the committee has collected \$4880.00, and has total pledges of \$7600.00. The committee will continue to raise funds through the summer, with the plan of installing the bricks in the fall of 2010. Additional equipment may be purchased, depending on the level of contirbutions. Ms. Rucker presented an additional quote for the tear down and removal of the existing playset. The Board agreed to stay with Mr. Joe Cordell's quote of \$500 which also includes the donation of the equipment to charity. The pea gravel will need to be moved to the edge of the playground area by Highland Pointe resident volunteers. It was stressed that before anything is scheduled at the playground the French drainage system must be installed. Mr. Laufersweiler will call Mr. Dickman to confirm the date of that installation. Ms. Rucker also asked that an email go out detailing the schedule

of the playground tear down, and installation. The Board agreed this was a good idea. Ms. Rucker noted that a local vendor has purchased a \$300 brick and would like to host a cookout for the opening of the Highland Pointe pool. The Board agreed to allow him to host such a party.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Gunnells made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2010 Board Meeting. Mr. Raby seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Monthly Budget Update

Mr. Raby presented the income received and the expenses incurred during February, 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 the membership dues for 2010-2011. Based on next year's expenditures, a motion was made by Mr. Gunnells to change the dues for 2010-2011 as follows: \$155 for HOA membership, and \$400 for HPRA membership. Ms. COnrad seconded the motion and it passed.
- The installment plan for HPRA was also discussed, as last year the fee for installments was waived. Mr. Laufersweiler made a motion to reinstate a fee of \$5.00 per installment, as well as change the NSF charge to \$30. Mr. Salmon seconded the motion. It passed with Mr. Raby opposing.
- Mr. Salmon inquired about the stop sign on North Mountain Road that was knocked down, and replaced with a temporary one. The Board concurred that is is a County issue, and that the Board has no action to take.
- Mr. Salmon read a letter he re-

ceived from a resident inquiring about a motor home that is parked in a driveway on Highborne Drive. There have been numberous letters sent to the resident to move the motor home and nothing has happened. Mr. Salmon will put a copy of the County Code the resident is in violation of in his mailbox. as well as telling the resident that wrote the letter the website where Code violation can be reported to the county. Ms. Clesielski noted that she will also put the website in the next pipeline.

- Mr. Salmon shared an email he received addressed to the President, from a resident regarding disputes between a neighbor and himself. Mr. Newton will address the issue and report back to the Board.
- The lane rope holder is broken, and needs to be replaced before the swim team season begings. Ms. Ciesielski will email Mr. Kimball about the issue, and have him discuss actions with the Board via email so that it can be taken care of soon.
- The gate to the tennis courts needs to be repaired. Ms. Ciesielski will call the locksmith to see what can be done to make it latch properly.
- The vacancy of the Tennis Chair on the Board was discussed. Mr. Newton will ask Ms. Judy Taylor if she is interested in this role, as she does so much already for the tennis community. It will be advertiesed in the Pipeline that we are in need of someone to step up and assume this position if Ms. Taylor declines.
- -The tennis courts are scheduled to be resurfaced the week of May 10th, weather permitting.
- -Mr. Gunnells discussed painting that needs to be done to the interior of teh clubhouse. He will obtain quotes this month and report back to the Board at the April meeting
- The recent vandalism to the Clubhouse was discussed. The

downstairs door needs to be reinforced and the addition of locks to that door was discussed. Ms. Ciesielski will have the locksmith look at the bottom door as well. Ms. Ciesielski will ask parents to be prudent in letting their children/teens have the clubhouse keys, as many time it has been members' children doing the damage to the clubbouse.

-Ms. Conrad reported that their will be a Spring Fling on May 1st.

Having no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

HPRA Expenses:

Clubhouse

Operations

HPHOA Expenses:

Grounds

Tennis

Social

Pool

Next Board Meeting Monday, April 12, 2010 6:30 pm, Clubhouse

Addendum to the Minutes

The Board voted via email to spend \$400 from HPRA funds to help pay for the lane rope holder for the pool. Once the Swim Team has collected registration dues for the 2010 season, the money will be repaid to HPRA by the swim team.

The Tennis position on the Board of Directors is currently open, and needs to be filled. If you are interested in joining the board in this capacity or have any questions about this position, please contact the Board at board@highlandpointe.org.

\$83,241.09

10,311.87

2,071.09

3,428.36

30,574.10

29,409.72

\$46,857.75

7,445.95

| HPRA Income | | |
|-----------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | \$111,687.00 | \$108,410.38 |
| HPHOA Income | 68,528.00 | 67,976.06 |
| Other Income | 2,500.00 | 1,302.73 |
| Total Income | \$182,715.00 | \$177,689.17 |
| HPRA Expenses | \$111,639.00 | \$83,241.09 |
| HPHOA Expenses | 57,364.00 | 46,857.75 |
| Other Expenses | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Total Expenses | \$169,003.00 | \$130,098.84 |
| HPRA/HPHOA Net Income | \$13,712.00 | \$47,590.33 |
| Total Expenses | \$169,003.00 | \$130,098.84 |

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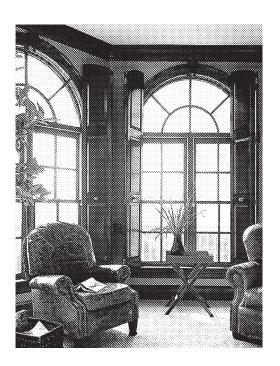
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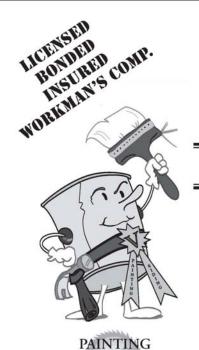
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