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Highland Pointe Kiddie Kapers is BACK!



If you have a child 6 & under, then this is the group for you! Join us and help our "Kiddie Community" grow!

~Kiddie Kapers is a group for parents/kids to get to know their neighbors and HAVE FUN!!! It hasn't been around for a few years, but with so many young families moving into the neighborhood, it is time to bring it back! We will have play dates, field trips, future plans to make neighborhood parties more kid friendly and MUCH MORE!!!

~Please email Liz Horner (LHORNER10@GMAIL.COM) if you are interested in joining this group. Please give the following in your email: your name, children's or child's name/age and availability.

***First get together is Sunday, Feb. 23 at 2pm - HPRA Playground!**

***Come play and meet the group - Can't wait to see you and the kiddies!**

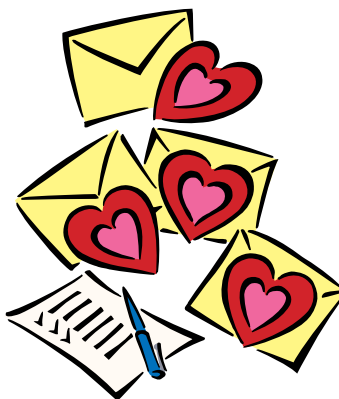
Calendar

February

- 2** Groundhog's Day
- 4** Board of Directors' Meeting 6:30 pm
- 13** Ash Wednesday
- 14** Happy Valentine's Day
- 15** No School-Cobb County
- 18** Presidents' Day-No School

March

- 4** Board of Directors' Meeting 6:30pm
- 10** Daylight Savings Time Begins
- 15** Deadline for Feb/Mar Pipeline
- 17** St. Patrick's Day
- 26** Passover
- 31** Easter



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2013 Board of Directors' Contact Information

President	Tom Haslach	president@highlandpointe.org
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Tennis Director	Judy Taylor	tennis@highlandpointe.org
Treasurer	Kimberly Jordan	treasurer@highlandpointe.org

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Kiddie Kapers	Liz Horner	kiddiekapers@highlandpointe.org



Directories Delivered

The 2013 Highland Pointe directories have been delivered! Thank you to Laura Richards, Julie Walls, Ryan Rogers, Sharon Saxton, Liz Horner, Melanie Smith, Dave Roedersheimer, Bob & Tamara Pendley, Dorie Wall, Paul Amoruso and Paula Robin for delivering them!

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

2012 Highland Pointe Outdoor Holiday Decorating Contest Winners!

Once again Highland Pointe looked beautiful during this Holiday Season! There were so many festive lights and beautiful displays that it was hard to narrow it down to a few. Congratulations to all!

OVERALL BEST DISPLAY GRAND AWARD

Chris and Diane Esposito
4320 Highborne Drive

CREATIVE USE OF LIGHTS GRAND AWARD

Randy and Rhonda Ennever
4528 North Slope Circle

BEST YARD DISPLAY GRAND AWARD

Gordon and Debbie Lundquist
4271 Highborne Drive

BEST YARD DISPLAY HONORABLE MENTION

Bob and Judy Kimball
3744 Club House Court

Thanks to everyone who helped judge!

To the **Kimball family**, the **Haslach family**, the **Smith family**, the **Fincher family** and the **Johnson twins** for putting the luminaries out around the lake! It was a beautiful sight. If you missed it this year, be sure to put it on your calendar next December!



THANKS !



Thank you to **Melanie and Michael Smith**, **Libby and Doug Devine**, **Liz Horner** and **Cori Alston** for decorating and un-decorating the neighborhood for the holidays.

Tennis News

Dates to remember:

March 14 – Thursday Women ALTA Season begins.

March 16 – Men ALTA Season begins.

March 17 – Sunday Women ALTA Season begins.

April 15 – Roster deadline for summer Mixed Doubles, Sr. Women and Sr. Men ALTA.

May 30 – Senior Women ALTA Season begins.

May 31 – Senior Men ALTA Season begins.

June 1 Mixed Doubles ALTA Season begins.



A reminder about court reservations:

Please follow the correct procedures for reserving a court. As the weather turns warmer, there will be increased activity on the courts so do not forget to go online to reserve the day, time and specific court you want to play on. This can be done through www.reservemycourt.com. Players can utilize the tennis reservation system for FREE and you can begin making reservations immediately after registering yourself as an active user. Reservations will continue to be allowed only one week in advance, and court #2 will still be set aside for “walk-ons”. (Note that on the [reservemycourt.com](http://www.reservemycourt.com) web site, court #2 will say “closed”, which only means that court is for walk-ons only.) If you use court #2, you may sign up for it at the board by the courts. Court reservation for team practices and ALTA/USTA match play will continue to be done by the Tennis Committee. For questions or for the access code, contact tennis@highlandpointe.org.

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.



THANK YOU to the following people who deliver the Pipeline!

Lee Berg, Beth Fulghum, Tamara & Bob 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!

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, and aluminum cans.**



ANNUAL HIGHLAND POINTE EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday, March 23, 2013 at 4pm

***Rain Date: Sun March 24th at 4pm

Please bring your child/children to the clubhouse field by 3:45 PM, so that we can get everyone checked in before 4PM

All Highland Pointe Residents are welcome to participate!

ENTRY "FEE": 1.5 dozen (18) plastic eggs filled with age appropriate treats for each child participating.

*Note that in the past, it has been warm enough for chocolate to melt.

*Please TAPE each egg to avoid losing the contents.

DELIVERY OF EGGS: For each child, place 18 eggs and Entry Form below (cut along dotted line) in one Ziploc bag and drop off on the front porch of 4248 North Mountain Rd between Monday, March 18 and Friday March 22

CONTACT: For questions, please contact Liz Horner at 404-543-1541 or Lhorner10@gmail.com

Child's Name / Address:

Age:

Child's Name / Address:

Age:

Child's Name / Address:

Age:

Adult Responsible for child during event: _____ Phone: _____



HIGHLAND POINTE RECREATION ASSOCIATION, INC.
Board of Directors and Budget Meeting
Minutes

Monday, December 10, 2012

Board Members in Attendance: Mr. Tom Haslach, President; Ms. Judy Taylor, Tennis; Mr. Steve Fincher, Social; Ms. Sandy Carpenter, ACC; Ms. Paula Taylor, Clubhouse; Mr. Steve Laufersweiler, Grounds and Ms. Beth Roedersheimer, Administrative Assistant.

The meeting was called to order at 6:42 pm.

Approval of Minutes:

Ms. Taylor made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 11, 2012 Board Meeting. Mr. Laufersweiler seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Monthly Budget Update:

The report was accepted as information only.

Discussion of Action Items

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

There was discussion concerning changing our legal representation from Leuder, Larkin & Hunter to Lazega & Johanson which specializes in HOA law and membership. Mr. Fincher made a motion retain the office of Lazega & Johanson for the 2013 calendar year. Mr. Laufersweiler seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Mr. Haslach requested that a set amount of funds be set aside in escrow for upcoming expenses. Ms. Roedersheimer will look into rates at various banks, including Bankrate.Com.

Mr. Laufersweiler reported the trees at the entrance to the recreation area will be planted in December.

Ms. Robin made a motion to increase the clubhouse rental rates as follows. Ms. Taylor seconded the motion and it passed.

Permanent HOA and HPRA Members

Day (8am-4pm) \$75.00 with a \$150.00 deposit
Evening (5pm-2am) \$125.00 with a \$250.00 deposit
Entire Day (8am-2am) \$200.00 with a \$400.00 deposit

Non Residents

Day (8am-4pm) \$150.00 with a \$300.00 deposit
Evening (5pm-2am) \$250.00 with a \$500.00 deposit
Entire Day (8am-2am) \$400.00 with a \$800.00 deposit

Mr. Fincher will be the Grounds Board Member in 2013 with Micah Levin volunteering to be the Social Chair. Mr. Levin will have a committee that will work with him on upcoming social events.

Mr. Fincher reported that Kiddie Kapers is starting up again. It is being organized by Liz Horner.

Ms. Robin reported that there are some plumbing issues in the upstairs women's restroom and she will contact a plumber to see what the issue is. A new recumbent bike was purchased from a HP resident. The old bike is in working order, except for the electrical display. She reported the treadmill was slipping and the pulley is coming off. The estimate for replacing the parts is between \$250-\$350.

Having no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.



	Budget FY 12-13	Actual 12/31/12
HPRA Income	88,160.00	87,194.86
HPHOA Income	78,530.00	75,386.00
Other Income	500.00	175.70
Total Income	\$ 167,190.00	\$ 162,756.56
HPRA Expenses	86,678.00	71,881.45
HPHOA Expenses	74,846.00	55,346.66
Total Expenses	161,524.00	127,228.11
HPRA/HPHOA Net Income	\$ 5,666.00	\$ 35,528.45

The following shows the breakdown of expenses vs budgets for the period ending 10/31/12

	HOA		HPRA	
	Budget FY 12-13	Actual 12/31/12	Budget 12-13	Actual 12/31/12
	\$ 74,846.00	\$ 55,346.66	\$ 86,678.00	\$ 71,881.45
Clubhouse	3,800.00	3,200.27	9,200.00	8,729.82
Grounds	2,600.00	6,324.70		
Operations	68,446.00	45,821.69	30,628.00	23,465.72
Pool			33,400.00	30,473.47
Tennis			7,250.00	4,459.94
Social			6,200.00	4,752.50

The January Minutes and Financials were not approved before the Pipeline went to print. Please check the website, www.highlandpointe.org, for the current minutes.

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DID YOU KNOW?

Georgia's New Ad Valorem Title Tax ("TAVT")

Vehicles purchased on or after March 1, 2013 and titled in Georgia will be exempt from sales and use tax and the annual ad valorem tax, also known as the "birthday tax". These taxes will be replaced by a one-time tax that is imposed on the fair market value of the vehicle called the title ad valorem tax fee ("TAVT"). The application for title and TAVT payment must be submitted to the county in which the purchaser registers the vehicle (i.e. county of residence). The TAVT must be paid at the time application for title and registration are made. If you purchase your vehicle at a dealership, the dealer will accept the application for title and TAVT payment on your behalf and deliver the title application and TAVT payment to your county tag agent.

New residents moving into Georgia are required to pay 50% of the TAVT within 30 days of moving to the state and the remaining 50% must be paid within the next 12 months.

If the vehicle was purchased in Georgia between January 1, 2012 and March 1 2013 and titled in this state, the owner is eligible to opt in to the new system. If you qualify to opt in, you will get credit for any sales tax and ad valorem tax previously paid up to the amount of TAVT due. However, if the sales tax and ad valorem tax previously paid is less than the TAVT due, you will need to make up the difference when you opt in. This option must be exercised before January 1, 2014.

You are still required to annually register your vehicle in your home county and pay the associated \$20 renewal fee. The existing \$18 title application fee still applies when the vehicle is titled. You must continue to maintain liability insurance as required by Georgia law. If you live in one of the 13 emissions counties, the annual emissions test is still required prior to registration.

<http://onlinemvd.dor.ga.gov/Tap/faqs.aspx>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jB6MabqzOfk&feature=youtu.be>

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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 issues

Resident's personal "for sale" ads are always **\$7.50** for business card size.

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.

10% Discount when prepaid for 12 issues
5% Discount when prepaid for 6 issues

Half Page Ad

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

10% Discount when prepaid for 12 issues
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Full Page Ad

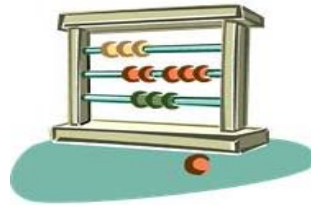
\$110.00 One Issue Full page ad. This ad measures approximately 6 1/2 in. wide x 9 in. long.

10% Discount when prepaid for 12 Issues
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**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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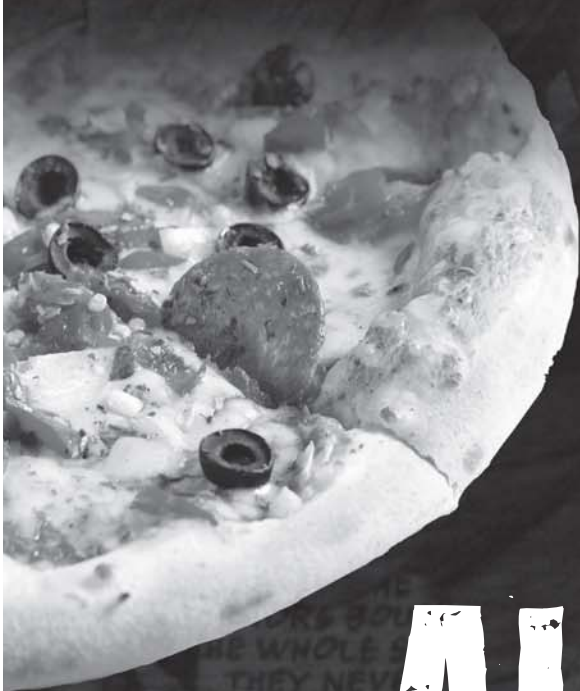
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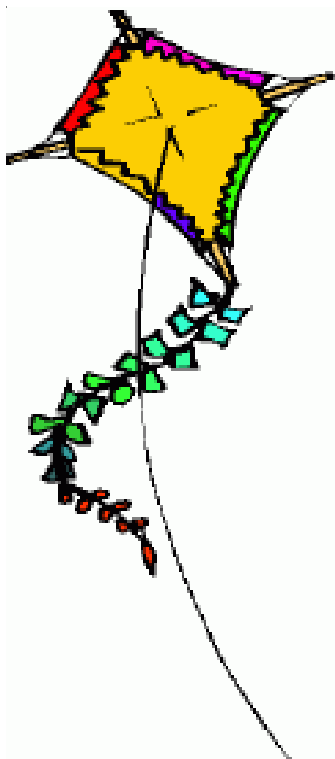
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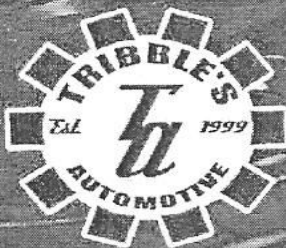


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