### All About Arbors Number Two

Looks like Spring is finally here

Old man winter appears to be moving on (although he's been known to send a surprise or two in the past). Best wishes for a happy season for you and your family.

Hopefully something in this little note catches your attention. To make this newsletter even more valuable. please volunteer your ideas, local news, recipes. stories, games, comics - anything. We welcome your comments and suggestions! Please submit your ideas to info@millfield.com.

Next newsletter submission date: August 20th

Judy Gisslin John Williamson

#### Social Committee

The First Annual Progressive dinner was recently held on March 6th. It was a really great evening. Thanks to everyone involved for making this such a success!

We're looking for a few activities that will encourage neighborhood socializing. Several residents have talked about organizing a book club. Other suggestions include:

- **Dining Out**
- **Board Games**
- Cards
- Community trip (NYC, Philly using scheduled township bus excursions).

Thoughts or suggestions?

Contact:

Bill Sklarosky, 459-3377, bills4647@comcast.net



Arbors: Morning fog along Miller's Run

#### Common Elements Committee

With the approach of spring and summer you will notice many changes around our community. The walking path has been paved in the problem areas. This should remedy the washouts that heavy rains have previously caused. Discussions are currently being held to reseed certain bare patches around the walking path.

For your information, the role of the Common Elements Committee (CEC) is to oversee all common areas of the neighborhood. It reviews all new landscaping requests from current homeowners. It also oversees the maintenance of all common area structures such as lighting, signs, waterfall and stream area, etc. The CEC is guided in its deliberation by the covenants, design guidelines, and by the bylaws of the Arbors Home Owner's Association (HOA).

#### A reminder to all homeowners

If you are not sure if a modification or addition to landscaping around your home requires approval from the Common Elements Committee, please call Michelle Carroll at Millfield (293-0293) before proceeding. All

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requests for approval of a modification or addition should be referred to Michelle who will present them to the committee. The committee will then make a recommendation to the Association Board.

For more information, go to: <a href="www.millfield.com/arbors\_association.php">www.millfield.com/arbors\_association.php</a>. Under "bulletin board", click on Millfield Condominium FAQ's.

Arbors is a beautiful and well-planned community. The Association Board is striving to maintain an overall uniformity and well-kept appearance in the development. In order to do that, we need the cooperation of every resident. If you have plans for any changes to the exterior of your property, please submit a detailed description of the plan to the Board for consideration (as stated in Arbors Rules and Regulations, Item 14). Thank you for your cooperation



## **Trash Information**

With Spring comes "Spring Cleaning" A+A Refuse has asked that we remember that if large items (or larger than normal trash) is going to be put out for collection, that you call A+A Refuse to notify. Failure to do so could result in those items not being picked up. Our contract with A+A limits trash pickup to 2 containers and 1 recycle bin.

A+A contact: 291-2097

#### 2009 Summer Holiday Pickup Schedule

Memorial Day (5/25) - One day later than normal Independence Day (7/4) - no schedule change Labor Day (9/7) - one day later than normal

#### A Bright Idea!

When trash day is windy, cans, lids, and bins can easily be blown away from our driveways. Consider spray painting or otherwise identifying these items with your name or house number.





## Neighborhood Clean - Up Day

Mark your calendars!

#### Saturday June 6th, 9AM - 1PM

June 6th has been scheduled as a community day to "spruce up" the neighborhood and perform tasks that are not part of the HOA budget. Things like: cleaning up the creek, sweeping the streets, and trash pickup.

After our work projects we will have a picnic with hot dogs and hamburgers provided. Everyone is asked to bring a meal dish to share.

More details will follow via email

#### Bonus weed and feed for a greener lawn

Randy Zipser and Tom Funk have volunteered to use their time, energy and equipment to add a spring treatment of Scott's Weed & Feed. This treatment is in addition to the standard lawn care provided by the HOA. If each homeowner were to contribute \$35 for the purchase of a large bag of Scott's, we would be able to enjoy a greener and healthier lawn with fewer weeds (in a shorter period of time!). While participation is voluntary, it is hoped that all residents will want to participate. Thanks to Randy and Tom for their generous offer!

Please email Randy with your thoughts and support:

Phone -517-8860

email: <u>zipsers@comcast.net</u>

# **Helpful Tips for Homeowners**

- Before you turn on your air conditioner for the season, remember to close your inside lower return air vents and open the upper air vents to insure good air flow. Also check ceiling fans to make sure the spin direction is in the "summer mode."
- Might be time to check your outside porch and garage light bulbs. They burn out and are easy to miss.
- Clean your outside dryer vent to maximize efficiency.

## Summer Fun in Lancaster

Here are just a few things to put on your calendar for fun this summer. More information about these events and more can be found at:

http://www.dutchcountrypennsylvania.com/eventCale

Friday, May 8 - Saturday, May 9

Herb & Garden Faire

The Landis Valley Museum has been organizing a garden festival for the past twenty years

Friday, May 15 - Saturday, May 16 **Annual Rhubarb Festival** 

Saturday, May 16 - Saturday, May 16

Annual Sertoma Chicken BBQ

The Sertoma Chicken BBQ has long been a tradition of Lancaster County.

Monday, June 8 - Thursday, June 11

**Great Eastern Invitational Microbrewery Festival** 

The Great Eastern Invitational Microbrewery Festival is a must-see for beer lovers!

Saturday, June 27 - Saturday, June 27

Jazz, Brews & Blues

Art, Music, Food and Brews: these are the four ingredients of the Jazz, Brews and Blues Festival.

Saturday, June 27 - Sunday, July 5

Kutztown Folk Festival near Lancaster, PA

Saturday, July 4 - Saturday, July 4

Old Fashioned 4th of July at Musser Park in Lancaster, PA Fourth of July Celebrations, Lancaster PA.

America celebrates its independence day on the Fourth of

The Fourth of July Celebration in Lititz Park, Lancaster, PA

The 4th of July celebration in Lititz Park is a sight to behold.

Saturday, July 11 - Saturday, July 18

Annual Tomato Festival at Washington Boro Community Park in Washington Boro, PA

Thursday, July 23 - Saturday, August 1

Lancasterfest

Lancaster is famous for celebrating its culture and history.

## **Community Concerns**

Please be advised that when you are taking your dogs outside, they must be on a leash and cleaned up after. We love our canine friends but ask that you be responsible for their actions.

## Let's Keep Arbors GREEN!

Hopefully Mother Nature will provide appropriate rain for our newly planted lawns, trees, and shrubs. However, as we move toward the hot, dry days of summer, residents are encouraged to water their lawns and plantings. Keeping the areas around our homes watered is our responsibility.

## Window and Deck Cleaning

Who wants to spend their valuable time cleaning windows and power-washing decks? Especially those high gable windows! Brenda and John used a service last fall that did a nice job for a reasonable price. If others are interested, we can schedule multiple jobs for the same day. Call Brenda if you want to participate 371-2406

# Volunteer(s) Wanted:

Become a Heritage Center Museum Store volunteer and become educated in the latest handmade folk art

We offer:

- On-site training
- Flexible schedules
- Great friendship
- Lots of fun
- And special discounts

If interested please call Sue Schumann, store manager at 393-3364



# ARBORS REPRESENTATIVES

ASSOCIATION BOARD MEMBERS

President - Bob Riahi Vice President - Dave Wolf

Alternate VP - Randy Zipser Treasurer - Heather Hooley

Member - Dan Henson Secretary - Michelle Carroll

(non-member, represents Arbors Property

Management Team)

COMMON ELEMENTS COMMITTEE

Chair - Randy ZipserVice Chair - Dave WolfMember - Deb FunkMember - Monica FarrellMember - John & Brenda WilliamsonMember - Tom Clingan

COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE

Newsletter - Judy Gisslin, John Williamson

Homeowner Directory - Tom Clingan

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