



The Barnstormer

January/February 2012



A Regular Newsletter from the Box Hill Community Services Association, Inc.

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Box Hill Barn Hours

Monday 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Tue – Fri 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

January 2012 Meetings/Events

16th – Design Review Board – 7:00 p.m.

19th – Board of Directors – 7:30 p.m.

Office Closed - 01/30/12

Schools Closed: 01/23, 01/24

February 2012 – Meeting/Events

13th – Design Review Board- 7:00 p.m.

16th – Board of Directors – 7:30 p.m.

Office & Schools Closed – 02/20/12

Board of Directors

Robyn Kalwa - President

Anne Lyle - Treasurer

Doyle McCracken - Vice President

Ross Garris – Secretary

Darlene Sakers - Director

Committee Chairs

Barnstormer - OPEN

Building and Grounds – OPEN

Children's – OPEN

Design Review Board – Ilyse Horgan

Playground – OPEN

Pool – OPEN

Outreach – OPEN

Townhouse – OPEN

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!

Babysitters



Sara Walker – Age 16 – (410) 569-1287

Gabrielle Killian – Age 18 – (443) 512-8326

Gisselle Killian – Sears - Age 15– (443) 512-8326

Bella Killian – Sears – Age 13 (443) 512-8326

Chelsea Moore – Age 13 – (443) 617-8405

Landscapers:



Dylan Reinhardt – Age 17 – (410) 569-8364

Simon Harris – Age 15 – (443)-372-5227

Pet sitters:



Gabrielle Killian, Gisselle & Bella Killian-Sears
(443) 512-8326

Sara Walker – Age 16 – (410) 569-1287

Anyone interested in adding your name to our
Babysitter, Landscaper or Pet sitter list, please
call the Box Hill Barn.

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BARNSTORMER ON THE WEB

To help reduce the cost of printing &
postage of the Barnstormer, it is now
available on-line. If you wish to be
notified when the Barnstormer is
posted, please email the office at
boxhillbarn@verizon.net with your
email address, name, lot number and
address. You will be emailed a
password to obtain access to the
Barnstormer.

You will no longer be mailed a hard
of the Barnstormer if you choose to
access it on the web.



COMMUNITY BOARD



WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS

Kevin Trabert – Shelley Court



HOLIDAY HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST

Judging was done on Sunday, December 17th. Thank you Ilyse Horgan and her helpers for judging the contest.

The following homes are the winners:

Single Family:



Magical: 2912 Auden Court

Classical: 11 Huxley Circle

Whimsical: 2939 Craigston Lane



Townhouse Homes:

Magical: 2828 Meredith Court

Classical: 2827 Keats Court

Whimsical: 115 Kipling Court

ELECTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Election Committee is now being formed. At least 5 volunteers are needed for the committee. The committee is to assure that the ballots cast for the Board Elections are appropriately handled and correctly counted on Election Night, March 15, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. Please volunteer by calling (410) 515-3958



LOST AND FOUND

A BICYCLE WAS FOUND IN THE PLAYGROUND THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 24TH. PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE AT (410) 515-3958 TO CLAIM AND DESCRIBE THE BIKE.



Licensed Day Care In Box Hill North Has Summer Openings!

~FULL – TIME OR PART- TIME HOURS~

In need of care during the summer break while schools are closed, please call. All meals will be provided and we go to the pool throughout the summer!

If interested or have questions, please contact Karen at 410-569-6564

License Number 118439



*** ALLEY CAT TRASH REMOVAL 2012 TOWNHOUSE SCHEDULE***

Recycle : Monday, February 20th
Monday, September 3rd

Next Day Pick Up Following these Dates

Trash: Thursday, November 22nd

Next Day Pick Up Following this Dates

Yard Waste: No Change in Yard Waste Pickup

Christmas Tree Pick Up Schedule:

January 19, 2012

&

January 26, 2012

****COMMUNITY UPDATES****

1. **Concrete Replacement** - The Phase I & II concrete replacement for the general common grounds and townhouse common grounds (including curb repair) has now been completed. The total cost came to \$24,000.00 for approximately 300 slabs of concrete. Unfortunately, some newly poured concrete was vandalized and had to be repaired which added to the cost slightly. All concrete that was replaced was badly broken or sunken in and a safety issue.

2. **Stump Removal** – We are currently on Harford County's list to have the unsightly tree stumps ground near the sidewalk area just past Shelley Ct. across from Box Hill Ct. These trees were taken down by the county around the time of the sidewalk replacement. The office has been following up with the county, and we are told that it will be taken care of very soon at no cost to the community. New dirt and grass seed will be taken care of once the spring arrives and the county is finished. Your patience is appreciated.

3. **Tennis Court Fence Removal** – The old rusted and broken tennis court fencing is currently being taken down little-by- little by our paid handyman. **The Board has been able to secure a company that is taking it away for the community free of charge** for the scrap metal value. Hopefully, it will be completely down by the spring. The total handyman cost in labor is \$400.00. The Board is still hoping to hear from the community members on just what they would like to see happen with this area (i.e., additional parking, repaved open blacktop area for children to play on, expansion of open park area). Please email your comments to the office at www.boxhillnorth.org

4. **Pool Repairs**UPDATE**** - Clearwater Pools has been working on repairing the pool cracks within the pool shell itself, cracked tile replacement, caulking and digging up and replacing the broken piping pertaining to the skimmer lines. The broken pipe was found to be within the pool wall itself by the two and three foot sections of the pool. Some additional work still needs to be completed and can only be done weather permitting on mild temperature days. Pressure testing has been performed since the new pipe was laid and the results indicated no further problem. Two community pool reserve fund c.d.'s came due for \$18,862.00 and have been transferred to into the operating account to help cover the cost which should come to roughly \$32,405.00 upon completion. An insurance claim has been filed concerning the broken pipe & the concrete decking removal & replacement. It is currently under review.

5. **Trash Issues** – The Board is asking for the community residents to help out regarding this continual problem of loose trash. Many phone calls and emails have been coming into the office complaining that something needs to be done. This is especially a problem in many of the individual townhouse courts. Please start to place your trash in a trash can with a lid on it. This should also apply to your recyclables. Many residents are reporting that trash is being spilled out of the trash cans on windy days if there is no lid on the trash can. White & black trash bags are also a problem as animals and birds can get into them quite easily if they are placed outside of a trash can. The result is again loose trash on the ground that blows around and also attracts rodents. As a result of this problem, the community will have to pay to have our pond cleaned up because of all the trash that has already blown into it. This has caused problems with our fountains as a result. *****Please help keep our neighborhood a desirable place to live in and be proud of. The Board cannot manage this issue without your help and cooperation. Let's work together! Thank you!*****

6. **Tree Removal/Trimming** – Some minor tree removal and necessary trimming occurred around the holidays. Wet weather and wind have caused some problems in a few areas in and around the general common grounds by Maidstone Lane and over behind Strathaven Lane and Meredith Court (old orchard area). The cost came to \$1,000.00 for the removal of five trees and some trimming and removal of tree limbs.

7. **Pond Fountains—Winter Removal** – The two pond fountains have been removed & stored off-site for the winter months. They were clogged with sediment. Cleaning & some necessary maintenance will be performed. The cost for two service calls, labor, a boat to remove them, cleaning/storage was \$800.00. Please look for them to be installed again in the spring.

8. **2012 Pool Season—Pool Managers/Lifeguard Applications** – The office will start accepting applications for the upcoming pool season. Applications can be obtained either on-line on our website or in person from our office manager. There are only a certain number of jobs available and will be filled on a first come, first served basis. You must be 16 and over to apply for a lifeguard position and be CPR certified, have a current lifeguard certification. Managers must have pool ops, be CPR certified, have a current lifeguard certification.

9. **Townhomes – Please do not park around red fire lanes, in designated snow areas & do not park your extra vehicles in designated visitor spots! Thank You!**

BOX HILL COMMUNITY SERVICES ASSOCIATION, INC.

POLICY RESOLUTION NO. 117

ESTABLISHING THE ANNUAL PARCEL ASSESSMENTS

PARCEL II AND III TOWNHOUSES

2012

WHEREAS, Article V, of the Box Hill Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions creates an obligation for payment of assessments; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2. of the Declaration and Article II, Section 3. of the Box Hill Supplementary Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions Parcel No. 2 and Parcel No. 3 charges the Board of Directors with setting the annual parcel assessments rate sufficient to meet the obligations imposed by the Declaration; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Board of Directors to establish such and assessment rate for fiscal year 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the annual parcel assessment for fiscal year 2012 shall be fixed at five hundred twenty-three dollars and sixty cents (\$523.60) for each assessable living unit.

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BOX HILL COMMUNITY SERVICES ASSOCIATION, INC.

ATTEST:

(signed) Anne Lyle
Treasurer

(signed) Robyn Kalwa (Seal)
President

December 13, 2011
Date

BOX HILL COMMUNITY SERVICES ASSOCIATION, INC.

POLICY RESOLUTION NO. 118

ESTABLISHING THE ANNUAL GENERAL ASSESSMENTS

2012

WHEREAS, Article V, of the Box Hill Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions creates an obligation for payment of assessments; and

WHEREAS, Article V, Section 2. of the Declaration charges the Board of Directors with setting the annual general assessment rate sufficient to meet the obligations imposed by the Declaration; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Board of Directors to establish such an assessment rate for fiscal year 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the annual general assessment for fiscal year 2012 shall be fixed at two hundred eleven dollars and sixty cents (\$211.60) for each assessable living unit.

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ATTEST:

(signed) Anne Lyle _____
Treasurer

(signed) Robyn Kalwa (Seal) _____
President

December 13, 2011
Date

BOX HILL COMMUNITY SERVICES ASSOCIATION, INC.

POLICY RESOLUTION NO. 119

THE 2012 ANNUAL BUDGET

WHEREAS, Article IV of the Box Hill Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions charges the Association with certain community service responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to provide a sound financial plan for the delivery of such services; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Board of Directors to adopt an annual budget as its financial plan for fiscal year 2012.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

1. The President is hereby authorized to implement the budget and may reallocate amounts among the various line items within a budget category providing the Board of Directors is notified.

2. The President may authorize expenditures which result in an increase in the amount budgeted provided such increase is not greater than five (5) percent.

3. Proposed increases in expenditures from the amount budgeted for a category greater than five (5) percent, but less than twelve hundred (\$1,200), shall require board approval.

4. Proposed increases in expenditures from the amount budgeted for a category greater than twelve hundred (\$1,200) shall require amendment of this Budget Policy Resolution.

5. The President may delegate the authority to commit association funds, as limited herein, to another board member or committee which shall require board approval.

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APPLICATION FOR CANDIDACY
TO THE 2012 BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BOX HILL COMMUNITY SERVICES ASSOCIATION, INC.

FILING DEADLINE FEBRUARY 1st , 2012

Candidate: Please type or print All items A through F on application.

- A.) NAME _____
- B.) ADDRESS _____
- C.) TELEPHONE NUMBER: HOME _____ WORK _____
- D.) OCCUPATION _____
- E.) OTHER COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES _____
- F.) STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY (50 WORDS OR LESS)
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

SIGNATURE: _____

We, the **undersigned**, do hereby endorse Box Hill Community resident _____ to the 2012 Board of Directors of the Box Hill Community Services Association, Inc.

G.) Signatures Only. If not signed, ballot will not be accepted.

- | | NAME | ADDRESS |
|-----|-------|---------|
| 1.) | _____ | _____ |
| 2.) | _____ | _____ |
| 3.) | _____ | _____ |
| 4.) | _____ | _____ |
| 5.) | _____ | _____ |

**THE BARNSTORMER
2920 STRATHAVEN LANE
ABINGDON, MD 21009**

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

NEW BOARD MEMBERS

The meeting for the Box Hill Community Services Association for March is scheduled for 15th. This is the meeting where your NEW Board of Directors will be selected. Now is the time to file your application to run for a position as a Board member. Applications are included in this issue and are due in the office no later than by closing time of 2P.M. on Wednesday, February 1st or a postmarked date of Tuesday, January 31, 2012.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE BOX HILL BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPLICATION

1. Nominee: Complete sections A through D.
2. Complete section E if you have participated in other community activities, committees, etc. If you have not, then mark "NONE."
3. Section F is a brief statement on why you want voters to consider you for the Board; i.e., qualifications, "campaign promises," etc.
4. SIGN YOUR STATEMENT - any unsigned application will be invalid.
5. Section G. Each application is to have the signed endorsement of at least five other Association members. Only one member from each household. (Printed Names Will Not Be Accepted)
6. Mail the completed application to: **B.H.C.S.A.
2920 STRATHAVEN LANE
ABINGDON, MD 21009**

**REMEMBER: APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY MIDNIGHT January 31,
2012**

Election Night will be on Thursday, March 15th at 7:30p.m. in the Leisure Center

