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## NEWS YOU CAN USE

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**The summer has come to a close. The weather is getting rainy and cool and owners are packing up to leave for the warmer weather. I would like to thank everyone for a most enjoyable summer and their nice compliments on the park.**

**During the winter months we will hold a few get togethers at the clubhouse. The first one will be a Spaghetti Dinner on Fri 28 Oct from 6-8pm. All tickets must be purchased in advance so I know how much to cook. Keep an eye on our web site Whpca.org for upcoming events.**

### **Welcome**

Peirce family has recently purchased lot 174  
Lot 215 has been purchased by the Kaufman's.  
Welcome to the Park.

### **Winter Closures**

The **Laundry Rooms** and **Bath Houses** will close when the washer/dryer company comes out and winterizes. This should occur on or about 01 Nov 2011.

### **Marina**

The back section of the marina will close on 01 Nov. The maintenance crew will be putting ice eaters in the slip areas. The ice eaters are used to keep the water around the pilings from freezing. If they were not in place the water would freeze, causing damage to the pier. The

damage is done when the tide moves in and out causing the frozen pilings to rise up out of the bed of the marina. If this happens we would have to bring in a large barge to pound the pilings back into the ground. Ice Eaters are our friends 😊.

### **Dumpsters**

The last roll-off dumpster will be taken out on or about 01 Nov 2011. We will be working with the 4 small green dumpsters that are only for household trash. If you have large items to dump you will have to take them to the county dump. Please do not leave large items by the dumpsters.

You will see roll-off dumpsters by the marina; these dumpsters are for marina use only. They are designated by the company for a specific collection.

### **Pool**

The summer pool season is over. Winterization for the pool has begun. The pool cover we have for the pool is over 10 years old and will need to be replaced next year. I have sewed the cover the best I could to last one more year. The cost of a new cover will run between \$7,000 and \$9,000.00.

The pool has developed 3 cracks along the sides and running towards the bottom of the pool. An 18inch pool crack on each side of the pool occurred in 2005 after American Pool put a

finish on the inside of the pool. The cracks were fixed at no cost to WHP. Now those same cracks are creeping further into the pool. American Pool has been advised of the cracks. We are awaiting the outcome.

WHP contract has ended with American Pool, the company that has been responsible for our pool for at least 10 years. Pool companies have been notified and have sent their bids in for next year. The bids will go through a selection process by your BOD's.

### **Winterization of Units**

Don Fortner and Bob will not be winterizing units this year. One company I know about is RYT Plumbing, INC. Roy guarantees his work: Phone # 410-213-2126. Don't forget if I need to issue a key out to someone please call the office and let me know. Otherwise I do not issue keys without the owner's consent.

### **Down to Business**

#### **Marina**

Phase 2 of the marine project has begun. Our maintenance personnel along with Edd Webb and other volunteers have been getting the main walkway of the marina prepared for Mid Atlantic to begin their project. The estimated cost of the project is \$190,000.00. Project includes Bulkhead to be put in along the inside of the marina, replacement and construction of all finger piers, install pilings, construction and replacement of the 270 ft deck 16 ft wide. For owners who rent a slip at the marina; keep an eye out for new rules for the marina; i.e. dock boxes uniform; no adding of hardware to the marina deck without submission of an ECC form to the marina committee. More will follow on marina updates.

#### **Trailers in the boat storage lot**

The BOD voted to allow trailers to be stored in the boatyard for a fee. There will be six spaces available initially. A \$35.00 sticker will be required and a quarterly fee of \$75.00 (\$25.00 per month). The BOD also voted to allow the storage of Campers/Motor Homes in the boatyard. However the details of where and how much will be determined after investigation of conditions in the boat yard.

#### **Guard Truck**

The guard truck has been paid off in full.

#### **Golf Carts**

During the Aug BOD meeting there was a discussion of the use of golf carts in WHP. The discussion involved having a golf cart for the guards during non inclement weather. This would save on gas. Also discussed were home owners having golf carts. However it was brought up that WHP Declarations and By-Laws prohibit golf carts. This matter is being checked into. If this is the case WHP would need a  $\frac{3}{4}$  majority vote to change the WHP Declaration and By-Laws. What do you as a home owner think? If there were set rules on having a golf cart in WHP would you be for or against the use of golf carts? If you would like to offer your opinion please send a note with your monthly statement or stop by the office.

#### **Propane**

Propane companies called and requested we turn off the propane to the units. This was done. Please turn your propane back on when you come into the park. Don't forget to light your pilot light if you have one. If you have any questions call us at the office or contact your propane company. The propane company may charge you to come out and check your gas lines, so talk with them and explain the company requested for us to turn off the propane for safety reasons for hurricane Irene.

**Laundry**

Pat Heath, BOD secretary has done research on our laundry contract. A new agreement with the laundry company has been reached. We should be receiving new washers and dryers for next season along with a card system pay machine. This system will keep money out of the laundry rooms.

**Phragmitis**



Phragmites are the obnoxious plant life that we are dealing with in White Horse Park. These pesky reeds are a wetland plant species found everywhere in the US. It can grow up to 12 foot tall and has a long life.

**Problem:**

We have been battling the obnoxious plant for 3 years plus. We have gotten nowhere with the control of this plant. The BOD has approved a local contractor (Weed Pro) to get the phragmitis under control. These pesky plants are blocking our drainage ditches and encroaching on owners lots. Within the next year we are guaranteed to see results.

**Club House**

**Spaghetti Diner**

**Fri 28 Oct from 6-8pm**

**Cost \$6.00**

**Tickets must be purchased in advance.**

**Electric Bills**

Don't forget the electric bill it is due the 15<sup>th</sup> of November. If you are experiencing circumstances which would delay your payment, please let the office know.

**Email**

If anyone is interested in receiving their Invoices sent by email vice postal mail, please send me your email address to [whpcamd@yahoo.com](mailto:whpcamd@yahoo.com). If you have a change of email, please notify us.

**Notes**

I want to thank all the homeowners in White Horse Park for their superb cooperation during our preparation for hurricane Irene. We could not have been more prepared for the potential life threatening disaster that was predicted for our area without the help and cooperation of all owners and renters. From the bottom of my heart "Thank You" Pat yourself on the back! Well done!

Thank You for the moments of happiness.



*From Sue, Pam, John, Pat, Bernie, Wayne, Devin, Joe, Mike, Bob, and the Board of Directors.*

Susan Naplachowski  
Park Manager