



SBCA Jottings

August - 2003

Dear Fellow Resident,

YES! Summer has arrived and despite a bit of rain lately, the weather is great and the community is looking good! Our Landscape Director, Bill Burke (along with a bit of kibitzing from Craig Hyslop) has the grounds in great shape. Landscaping is always a "work in progress" with some areas needing attention. But on the whole, our community ranks at the top of the aesthetics list. As discussed in the May edition of Jottings, on going maintenance projects are in full swing. All of our decks have been power washed and resealed, windows have been washed, our gutters repaired and chimney caps re-grouted. Soon you will see a fresh coat of paint on your deck rails and several garage door panels replaced and painted. Ed Czupryna is responsible for all of this work getting completed in a timely and professional fashion. From interviewing contractors, reviewing bids to scheduling and inspecting the completed work, Ed has carried the ball. But he is not done! We plan to have the entire complex painted next summer. In the fall, Ed will begin the process of finding the best contractor at the best price for this all-important project. As a side effort to this project, Judy Mikula, our Board Secretary, has volunteered to head a committee to determine the best color(s) that Ed will be using. Anyone interested in helping Judy as a committee member, please call the SBCA voice mail system and leave your name and telephone number for Judy. All interested parties are welcome.

Residents Picnic

The SBCA Board of Directors has voted to host a community picnic for all of the residents of Seven Bridges Courts. This is an excellent opportunity for residents to meet each other, visit a few moments or a couple of hours to foster a sense of community within the courts. Our picnic is scheduled for Sunday, August 16th from 4:00pm to twilight and will take place in the common ground area between Mashie and Brassie. Hot dogs, hamburgers, soft drinks and beer will be served. Certainly, other dishes, deserts and salads are not only welcome but also appreciated. Please plan your schedule to attend. As an aid to the planning process, please RSVP to the voice mail system by August 11th letting us know how many of you family members will attend.

Rights and Responsibilities for Better Communities

Attached with this edition of Jottings is a flyer from the "Community Association Institute" detailing "*Principles for Homeowners and Community Leaders*". These principles hold true for all townhouse and condominium living.

Regulations and Guidelines Manual

The latest version of our Regulations and Guidelines manual was distributed to all residents in May of this year. While we all enjoy a respectful, quiet community, we continue to experience a number of parking violations. For the benefit and safety of all residents and our guests, parking



regulations **must be** enforced. As a reminder;

In order of priority residents should park;

- 1) In their garage, with the door down
- 2) In the residents' own driveway
- 3) In a designated guest parking space (with Board approved variance)

Note: *no commercial vehicle over night parking in "common area" (includes residents own driveway) is allowed.*

Guests of SBCA residents should park in the designated guest parking spaces. Out of courtesy to other residents and for safety reasons, **parking is not allowed in any blacktop area except the designated guest spaces.** Guests should place the green placard (or other notice) identifying

the resident's unit.

SBCA Looking for Board Members

If you are concerned with the future of our community and have an interest in helping guide its development, please attend a Board meeting or two and see what it is all about. Even if you are not interested in serving on the Board, please come and share your ideas. Board meeting dates are posted on the central mailboxes and Board elections are held in the fall. So, everyone has plenty of time to consider sharing his or her talents contributing to our community.

If you have any questions or suggestions regarding this newsletter, or if there are any matters that you feel the board needs to be aware of, you can call (630) 415-1174. A board member will return your call and get your questions answered.

Tim Reed, SBCA President