



## SBCA Jottings

Spring 2010

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### **Good Bye and Welcome**

We would like to say good bye to two of our residents who recently moved. Dr. Stan Quinn moved from his Mashie Court townhome to downsize a little, and William Hooper moved from Brassie Court and plans on eventually relocating to North Carolina. We wish them well.

The Board would like to welcome two new owners to our community. David and Leslie Thonn are the new owners of 16 Mashie and Kathleen Rush (daughter Maureen) is the new owner of 15 Brassie. Please help us give them a warm welcome to our neighborhood.

### **Spring Walkaround**

Members of the Board will be walking around the units and grounds in the next couple of weeks to do a quick inspection. This is done on an annual basis. We will make arrangements to fix those items that are the Associations responsibility and send letters notifying owners of items they must fix, such as garage door panels.

### **River Bank Cleanup**

The Board recently employed Elite Landscaping Management to give the river bank along our property a good cleaning. Invasive trees and shrubs were removed. Healthy trees and shrubs were pruned and the weeds and grass were mowed. This once-a-year cleanup will allow the grass to grow thicker and help choke off weeds. It is not the Board's intention to leave the river bank area cut short permanently. Periodic cutting and cleaning like this one will help restore the river bank to a more natural setting.

### **New Light Fixtures**

The new light fixtures were installed in late April. The installation took longer than expected. I would like to thank Terrie Smith, Margaret Haiser, Donna Kayser, Bill Burke, and John Mostowfi for all the help they gave assembling and staging the new fixtures. The installation would have taken much longer if it was not for the time they gave to this project.

The few fixtures with broken or missing glass will be repaired as soon as the replacement parts arrive.

### **Thank You**

The Board would like to take this opportunity to thank two of our residents who volunteer their time to replace burned out light bulbs throughout our community. Tom Primozic takes care of the lights on Mashie Court and John Mostowfi takes care of the lights on Brassie Court. Tom and John will continue to replace bulbs on both courts. Our new light fixtures will make their light bulb changing much easier.

Please continue to call the Hotline at (630-415-1174) to report any burned out bulbs. Your messages will be forwarded to either John or Tom and your bulbs will be replaced as soon as possible.

### **Please Don't Feed the Geese**

Your assistance in keeping the geese off our property is requested. Please don't feed them. It only encourages them to remain here.



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### **Spring Maintenance Projects**

It is the goal of the Board to have all of this year's projects done this spring. This will allow our residents to enjoy their decks throughout the summer without being interrupted by construction crews. Listed below are this year's projects.

#### **Roof Replacement:**

It was determined that the roof on 9-12 Brassie Ct. was in most need of replacement this year. Crews from Stec Roofing started to replace the roof on May 4th. Weather permitting; this project should be completed by the time you read this edition of the Jottings.

#### **Staining Project:**

The remaining sides of the four buildings along the river will be stained this year. This project will begin after the roof on 9-12 Brassie Ct. is completed.

#### **Street Repairs:**

Four areas to be patched this year have been identified on Mashie and Brassie Cts. This project will probably take a day and should be completed in early June.

White line markers on both courts will be repainted and some cracks in the pavement will be filled at this time.

#### **Deck Washing:**

All decks will be washed to remove green algae and dirt that has accumulated since the last major cleaning. This project will start after the roof and staining projects have been completed.

#### **Exterior Window Cleaning:**

Finally, when everything else is done, the exterior windows will be cleaned.

As usual, those residents affected by any of the above named projects, will be notified via email ahead of time.

#### **Sprinkler Repairs**

The sprinkler system was turned on and tested on May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Areas needing repair are being identified and repairs should begin soon.

#### **SBCA Board Communication to Residents**

One of the Boards goals is to continue a better system of sharing information with our residents. The Board began sending copies of the approved monthly board meeting minutes, notices of upcoming events, and The Jottings via email early this year.

In an effort to keep our list of email addresses up-to-date, we are asking each owner/renter to share their email address with the Board. If you have changed your email address since January 2010, or are a new owner and would like to receive the above mentioned information, please call the Hotline at (630-415-1174.) You may leave your name and telephone number, and a Board Member will contact you for your email information.

We will not share your email address with others, and if you don't have access to a computer, then we will continue to mail important notices to you.



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### **Insurance Coverage**

The Association is still experiencing problems securing some homeowner's annual "Proof of Insurance" certificates. If you have not yet contacted your insurance agent to have the Seven Bridges Courts Association listed on your policy to receive annual automatic renewal notification, please do so. You may call the Association Hotline if you have any questions.

### **Pet Owners**

We've once again been asked by several residents to remind pet owners (especially dog owners) to take their pets off our property to take care of their "business." The Village of Woodridge has ordinances regarding picking up after your pet, but liquid, which can't be picked up damages the grass creating clumps and dead spots.

The islands on both our courts as well as the common areas are showing the damage caused by the frequent pet visits.

Also, pet waste must not be left outside in front of the units either in plastic bags or bags of any size laying on the ground or hanging on our landscape plants. It is unsightly, and is prohibited by the SBCA bylaws. So please take responsibility for your pet and don't let them soil the plants and grass on our property.

### **SBCA Annual Garage Sale Reminder**

The Seven Bridges Courts annual garage sale is scheduled for May 14 & May 15, 2010 from 8:30 am to 3:00 pm. All residents are welcome to participate and sell items from their garage.

Our thanks to Kim Thanasouras for placing ads in newspapers, websites, and signage directing people to both Brassie and Mashie Courts.

### **We Need Volunteers**

We are a volunteer Board and we do need additional volunteers willing to help out from time to time. If you have special interest, talent or you would just like to help, we could use you. Please call the hotline at and the appropriate board member will contact you.

### **Suggestions for Future Jottings**

If you have any suggested topics for the next Jottings, please call the hotline (630-415-1174), Jim Duffy, Donna Kayser, or any Board Member.

Think Spring!

Sincerely,  
Jim Duffy  
SBCA President