



## SBCA Jottings

Summer 2013

### **SBCA Annual Meeting**

The SBCA Annual Meeting has been scheduled for **Tuesday, September 17, 2013** at the Woodridge Public Library, beginning at 7:00 p.m. The meeting room is located on the second floor next to the Children's library. The building is fully accessible.

Owners interested in running for the Board should contact the SBCA Board via the Association Hotline or email address to get your name on the ballot.

### **Spring and Summer Projects – Status Report**

The Board is pleased to report that except for a few items the majority of the work planned for this summer has been completed. As of this writing the following projects have been completed:

- **Roof replacement:**  
The roof on 13-16 Brassie Court was replaced.
- **Deck Staining Project:**  
All decks were power washed and stained.
- **Exterior Window Washing:**  
The first of two window washings for this year has been completed.
- **Sprinkler Repairs:**  
The irrigation system was turned on after a number of repairs were made to the sprinkler heads and system.
- **Trees and Shrubs:**  
The Board has continued to fertilize and treat the trees and shrubs in our community.

### **Spring and Summer Projects – Status Report (continued)**

The Ash trees are receiving treatments to help fight the emerald ash borer that has destroyed hundreds of trees in the suburbs, Chicago, and Woodridge.

- **Plant/Shrub Replacements:**  
Due to the hot dry weather it has been decided to replace dying plants and shrubs this fall.

### **Planting Bed Watering Request**

With the hot weather of summer upon us, we are asking residents to water the plantings located along the garages and the planting beds between the driveways adjacent to the garages and at street level. The sprinklers system is unable to reach those areas. The plant material and trees begin to stress rather quickly.

### **What is the Board Working on Now?**

The Board is currently working on the following items:

- Gathering information for the 2014 SBCA budget.
- Preparing for the SBCA Annual Meeting on Tuesday, September 17, 2013.
- Discussing major repairs that the Association will face in the future.

### **Leasing Amendment – Website**

The SBCA leasing amendment approved by the majority of homeowners has been filed with DuPage County and can be found on the Seven Bridges Courts website.



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### Spring Walk Around

The Spring Walk Around was held in May. Letters were sent to homeowners notifying them of items they need to repair/fix. In addition, the Board addressed a number of items that are its responsibility.

### SBCA Approved Storm Door

The Board has approved and added a second storm door option to the SBCA Rules and Guidelines. The second option is much easier to operate when switching from the screen to the glass panel. A number of our homeowners had requested an alternative that would not require them to lift the heavy glass window of the approved current storm door.

The second option is:

- Anderson 3000 V-Grove Series
- Self-storing with clear glass storm door in White

It is an easy one-handed operation, retractable inset screen door that is available at Home Depot.

### How the SBCA Hotline Works

The SBCA Hotline is answered by volunteers from the SBCA Board. Each month a Board Member answers the voice mails and either directs the inquiry to the appropriate Board Member or personally answers the inquiry. Each board member establishes his/her own routine for checking the voice mails depending upon their own schedule. Therefore, if you leave a message at 1:00 p.m., and the voice mail was checked at 9:00 a.m., you may not receive a call back until the next day. Sometimes the voice mails are checked every two days.

### How the SBCA Hotline Works (continued)

If you have an emergency or concern that may be Association related and you haven't had a call back, knock on one of our doors. Just remember that we will try our best to promptly return your calls regarding Association business.

Also, don't forget that you can reach us via email.

### Speed Limit on Brassie and Mashie Courts

The speed limit on our courts is 10 MPH. We have several small children residing on both Brassie and Mashie Courts. Observing the required speed limit will insure their safety.

Also, please be extra careful when exiting the courts. There have been a few near misses with bicycle riders crossing the court entrances/exits on Double Eagle Drive without slowing down. Please drive safely.

### SBCA Emails

Have you been getting our emails? If not, maybe we don't have your new email address. If you have recently changed your address please call the Hotline at 630-415-1174 and give us your new information. You can also email us at [sbcaresidents@comcast.net](mailto:sbcaresidents@comcast.net).

If you would like us to send emails to other members of your household, please submit their address to us.

Also, please let us know in the same manner if you have changed your telephone number.

### 2013 Garage Sale

The Board would like to thank Carol Redell for once again organizing this year's garage sale. Ten families participated in the sale.



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### Thanks to Our Landscaping Committee

Several years ago the landscaping committee developed a long-range plan to improve and enhance the Brassie and Mashie Court islands, the plants and shrubs around our homes, and the irrigation system throughout our community.

This year the SBCA Board entered into an Agreement with [Elite](#) Landscape Maintenance to perform not only the lawn mowing service, but also the landscape enhancements within the courts and entrances. We would like to extend a huge thank you to Terrie Smith and Donna Kayser for their continued work on all of the landscaping projects.

### Burned Out Light Bulbs

Please continue to call the Hotline or email the SBCA website to report any burned out light bulbs. Your message will be forwarded to either John Mostowfi or Tom Primozić and your bulbs will be replaced as soon as possible.

### We Always 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 SBCA Hotline or email us and the appropriate Board Member will contact you.

### Website

Please check our website regularly at [www.sevenbridgescourts.com](http://www.sevenbridgescourts.com) for news, forms, board meeting dates, and a host of other information.

### Suggestions for Future Jottings

If you have any suggested topics for the next Jottings, please call the Hotline at 630-415-1174, or contact Jim Duffy, Donna Kayser, or any other Board Member at the Association email address.

Questions are also welcomed.

Enjoy your summer.

Sincerely,  
Jim Duffy  
SBCA President