



Horse Tales

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Happy Birthday Steeplechase!

The Steeplechase Birthday Party was a great success—With over 170 Residents, plus guests and former residents, this was the most attended activity ever!

Thanks to Marsha Hinsch and the social team for all their work. Thank you to the Board of Directors for their support. Thanks to our neighbors, Jim and Irene Cibrone and Nancy and Lou Manolios for the tasty food, and Lois Sites for the use of her garage. Check out photos from the party at the end of this newsletter.



The members of the social team continue to plan fun events and activities. Watch for upcoming events—the Social Team continues to look for new and different ways for us to get together and get to know each other better.

Food Bank

We can't thank you enough for your support of the food drive for local food banks. Carol Kessler and the other social team members sat out on June 8th and 9th to collect your donations and you didn't disappoint us.

Our generous Steeplechase neighbors stopped by to drop off 58 bags of food and supplies as well as \$230 in cash donations.



These items go to the food banks at **Baldwin Community Methodist Church, St Gabriel, St. Sylvester and St. Wendelin**. The cash goes to **St. Anne Family Promise program** that helps homeless families. We can't do this without you! We will be looking for your help again in November for our annual collecting during the homeowners' meeting.

President's Letter
Judi Lewis



Hello Everyone

Business in the Hood is wending its way through the year in great fashion – thanks to the wonderful people who volunteer their time and talents. Oh, we are so blessed to have so many.

SHERWIN-WILLIAMS

We are happy to share some good news. Oh, I know ... the need to paint is not happy news – but, maybe just a little happy news!!

Recently, we met with a representative from Sherwin Williams regarding paint colors for one group of units. As part of that discussion, we asked for and received a Steeplechase Account with them.

The account has been set up at their Castle Shannon location, 3603 Library Road. If you need paint, stop in and **reference account #7778-6274-9** to receive a discount. By now, you may have received the Welcome letter from Sherwin-Williams—if not, you will be getting it soon.

ANNUAL INSPECTION

As I told you in the April edition of *Horse Tales*, the Steeplechase Annual Inspection was scheduled (and indeed did happen in mid-May). If the inspectors noticed a maintenance issue on your property, you have already received a letter from CMP. Most of the maintenance work will also require an Alteration Request form – and, if so, the form was included with your letter.

The letter also contains a suggested completion date. If you are not able to complete the work by that date, **PLEASE LET US KNOW**. As we have been doing for several years now, we will be doing monthly follow-up inspections. We have absolutely no interest in issuing letters/fines for work that is not done. **CALL US**. We will be happy to work with you to resolve any issues.

ALTERATION REQUESTS

Recently, CMP has changed their procedures for processing Alteration Requests.

In the past, when you received approval you were sent 2 letters. The 2nd copy is no longer needed

Our lines of communication are always open ... Please don't let any issue become a problem – or worse, a fine. You can call your EPC Representative, the Steeplechase Hotline, or Tammy at CMP.

Judi Lewis

July Lunch Bunch

**Al's Café
435 McMurray Road
Bethel Park**

**Monday, July 15th
11:30 AM**

**Call your hostess, Bonnie Deal
412-650-2776
By July 12th**

August Lunch Bunch

Houlihan's (Galleria)

**Wednesday August 21st
11:30 am**

**Call your hostess
Marlene Koenig
412-884-6925
By August 14th**

Email Alerts



We send E-Mail Alerts to remind residents of upcoming events and to pass along important information that can't wait for the next Newsletter.

You can sign up to receive E-Mail alerts by sending an e-mail to: SteeplechaseCommittees@outlook.com and note "E-Mail alert" in the subject line.

Board Meeting

**The next meeting
of the Board of Directors
will be on**

**Monday, July 15, 2019
beginning at 6:30 PM
at the clubhouse.**



Plan Ahead to Attend!

The Board Meetings for 2019 are:

**September 23
November 7 (AOM at SHCC)**

Obituaries

Michael Ruff, 58
Son of Pat and Don Ruff
Caste Drive



Scott Baumgardner, 38
Husband of Amy
Father of Lily and Avery
Lantern Hill Extension

Barbara Tonetti, 78
Sister of Dolores Bell
Hennig Drive

Carol Shurtz, 75
Wife of Larry
Hennig Drive

Raymond Knavish, 77
Husband of Patricia
Hennig Drive

Steeplechase Board of Directors

President.....Judi Lewis
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Director.....Tom Striegel

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Community Relations.....Marilyn Dabkowski
Decorations.....Jim Cibrone
Environmental Protection.....
Executive.....Judi Lewis
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Investment/Finance..... Don Fox
Landscape.....Tom Striegel
Newsletter.....Betty Long

Management Office

Community Management Professionals
(CMP)
200 Commerce Drive, Suite 206
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Phone: 412-279-9280
Fax: 412-279-3031

Website address: www@cmpmgt.com

Melissa Ruff, Extension 210
Tammy Mersing, Extension 200

Steeplechase Ice Cream Social

Sunday, August 4, 2019

6 :30 PM to 8 PM - Carol's Corner
(Driveway & Yard of Carol Kessler)

1069 Duncan Lane (Corner of Duncan & Caste Drive)

Cart from Bruster's with multiple flavors of yummy ice cream
\$3.00 for 5 ounce cup

Bring your own chair!



Steeplechase Hotline

The Steeplechase Hotline, staffed by resident volunteers, continues to get great reviews from its users. You can call the hotline 24/7 and leave your message. The hotline volunteer will return your call within 24 hours.

To access the Steeplechase Hotline, call the Community Management Professionals (CMP) main number **412-279-9280**, and when prompted to enter your party's extension, you will enter **142**.

You will be greeted by a recorded message asking you to leave your name, address, phone number, and a brief message.

The hotline instructions can also be found on the Steeplechase website, www.steeplechasecsa.com under "Notices".



Naturally, if you have any kind of emergency, you should call CMP at **412-279-9280**.

Game Day

Come join us for Game Day at the Clubhouse
(Weyman Road Fire Department),
from 1:00 PM to 4:30 PM
on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month.
Snacks and beverages will be available.

When you attend Game Day, we ask you to donate
\$1.00 to be used to purchase snacks.

Following are the scheduled play dates:

July 11 and 26 *

August 8 and 22

September 12 and 26

***July 26 is a Friday**

**If you have any questions,
call Bobbie Aiello at 412-882-9452.**

Bunco

Bunco will be held at the Clubhouse
(Weyman Road Fire Department)
beginning at 1PM on the following Tuesday's :

July 16

August 13

September 17

Cost is \$5.00 per person to play. Please bring your
own snack. Drinks will be available.

**Call Marlene Koenig,
412-884-6925 for details.**



Steeplechase Community Service Association (CSA)



www.steeplechasecsa.com
WEBSITE LOGIN: **myhome**
PASSWORD: **HorseTails**

Welcome Committee Roseanne Brown, Chair

We are Happy to welcome to the Steeplechase Community our
new neighbors,. They are:

Barbara Arch, 4019 Belmont Lane
Mara Milan 19 Hennig Drive
Jared Kapustik 12 Hennig Drive
Chad McConary, 71 Hennig Drive

We hope you find much happiness in your new home.
Welcome!



Helping Hands

The following is a list of Steeplechase residents who have volunteered to be “Helping Hands”. If you need help with something like... running an errand, feeding a pet, collecting the mail, grocery shopping, etc., then call a “Helping Hand.” We all have had times when small chores are just overwhelming.

If you need help, please call us.

If you would like to add your name to the list of “Helping Hands”, please contact **Judi Lewis at 412-885-7170 or judilewis7799@hotmail.com.**

Thanks to all of the volunteers!

Victoria Baker	45 Hennig	412-956-4500
Marilyn Beckstrom	1059 Duncan	412-881-1199
Mary Rose Chasler	111 Steeplechase Ct	716-679-5141
Cathy McGinley	1015 Duncan	412-884-3629
Michaele Fisher	4037 Belmont	412-819-0131
Diane Burkhart Kunkel	1033 Duncan	412-882-5384
Harry Nieman	1006 Duncan	412-884-1919

Environmental Protection Committee

Community Section	EPC Representative
Caste Drive --- 5301 thru 5314 Lantern Hill Extension --- 5508 thru 5540 Parkside Lane Steeplechase Court	Bill & Betty Long: 412-881-6841 or w.blong1@verizon.net
Duncan Lane	Tom Striegel: 412-884-7740
Lantern Hill Extension --- 5228 thru 5506	Patty Barcic: 412-613-0599
Paddock lane Belmont Lane	John Paravati: 412-596-0535
Hennig Drive Lantern Hill --- 5215 thru 5226	Call the hotline at 412-279-9280 Ext 142
Caste Drive --- 5281 thru 5293 Lantern Hill ---5200 thru 5211	Call the hotline at 412-279-9280 Ext 142

Steeplechase Facebook Page

Since our last Newsletter, several residents have joined and are now following us on the Steeplechase Facebook page ... currently, we have 85 members.

We invite all 85 to post something ... even if you just say HI. Facebook is a great way to share information, photos, notices. If you haven't yet done so, we hope you'll join us.

To become a member:

You can find the Steeplechase page at: <https://www.facebook.com/steeplechasepgh>. Or you can do a Facebook search for, "Steeplechase Pgh". Make it a point to check the page!



The Steeplechase Facebook page is there for the community's use. It's also a place to keep up with posts and notices of Steeplechase events. If you live in our community, "Like" our page and stay current with what is happening in the neighborhood.

Thanks to the residents who have been posting pictures. They have shared pictures of the wildlife that calls Steeplechase home, beautiful sunrise/sunset photos, inspirational posts and posts that make you laugh!



All Social Committee activities are being held at the Whitehall Fire Department Meeting Room on Weyman Road. The social committee voted to call this space the clubhouse. When you see the clubhouse in a future newsletter article, you will know.

Also remember, parking for all activities at the Clubhouse is available in the bowling alley parking lot, but we must park in the BACK of the lot along the hillside only. Thank you for honoring this request of the bowling alley. **NO parking is ever permitted anywhere in front of the Fire House.**



Steeplechase Bus Trips — 2019

The Ark Encounter

August 13-15, 2019

\$667 PP double Occupancy

\$822 PP Single Occupancy

\$627 PP triple Occupancy

Cincinnati Ohio and Williamson KY

Trip Includes:

- Round trip Motor Coach Transportation
- Two nights stay at Holiday Inn Riverfront
- All Things Kentucky Buffet Dinner followed by: Wasn't That A Mighty Storm- Show
Pam Temple and Spencer Funk are an award winning Cincinnati based group, winners of the Best Folk Group and Artist of the Year by the Cincinnati Entertainment Awards.
- Two mornings Hot Breakfast Buffet
- Admission to Creation Museum
This 65,000 square foot museum brings the pages of the Bible
- Queen City Riverboats for Private Dinner Cruise with Contemporary Gospel Music
- Admission to The Ark Encounter
The Ark Encounter is the largest timber frame structure in the world, built in part by Amish Craftsmen. The Ark contains three decks of world class exhibits including the Flood, Noah, and the animals designed to answer your questions about the biblical account of Noah's Ark.
- City Tour of Cincinnati
- Gratuities for included meals
- Gratuities for the driver
- Water on the bus

**Call Bobbie Aiello at 412-882-9452 for
reservations or additional details**

**Don't wait too long on this trip we anticipate a sell out!
Reservations close July 15th or at sell out!**

**Ohio Christmas
November 19-20, 2019**

**Single \$410
Double \$345
Triple \$325**

Trip includes:

Depart Steeplechase or Providence Point (Providence Point residents only)

One night stay at Berlin Encore Hotel and Suites

Amish Back Roads Tour

Walnut Creek Brooms

Walnut Creek Cheese for lunch on own, but Ice Cream dessert is included

Hans Tasting Room for Holiday Sangria

World's Largest Cuckoo Clock in Sugarcreek

Visit Tis Season Christmas Shop, Antique and Craft Mall

Heini's Cheese and Kauffman Country Bakery

Lamp and Light Candle for candle carving demo and a FREE small holiday candle is included for all

Meals:

Buffet Dinner on first night

Breakfast at hotel on second day

Buffet lunch on second day



Tickets:

Walnut Creek Theater for performance of Christmas in the Country

Ohio Star Theatre for performance of A Christmas Ship and Free time following the show to enjoy the shops at Dutch Valley



Steeplechase Bus Trips — 2019

Nutcracker Village: Christmas Markets, Lights and Delights Sunday December 8, 2019 \$125 pp

11 AM to 10 PM

Steubenville Nutcracker Village and Christmas Market

Located in the heart of downtown Steubenville the festival centers around the world's largest collection of life sized Nutcrackers numbering over 150 and growing. The open air Advent Market features local artisans and vendors selling their wares and foods from inside miniature Swiss style chalets.

Oglebay Visitors Center

Dinner buffet (included) at the Wilson Lodge in Oglebay

Guided Tour of the Festival of Lights and Mansion Museum

The festival of lights covers over 6 miles and 90 displays. The Mansion was the summer home of Cleveland industrialist Earl Oglebay from 1900-1926.

**Call Bobbie Aiello at 412-882-9452 for reservations or additional information.
We only have 10 spaces left for this trip. Don't wait too long!**



Community Relations Committee

Marilyn Dabkowski, Marlene Koenig, Shirley Lewis

June 20, 2019

There was some confusion about the yard waste announcement in the Whitehall Bulletin. Yard waste can be put out every week with the regular trash. There will not be a monthly pick up just for yard waste.

The Whitehall Democratic Committee planted a Swamp White Oak tree in Orchard Heights Park (Frank Park).

There was a complaint about invisible dog fences being too close to the curb and allowing dogs to scare pedestrians. There is no ordinance concerning them but they are not allowed to be in the borough's right of way. Steeplechase does not permit invisible fences anywhere in the Community.

There is a tentative plan by the Shade Tree Commission to plant several trees on the hillside at the entrance to the future park on Lantern Hill Ext. When trees are planted, there will not be any pine trees. Donna McCrea said that pine trees are short lived and open to disease.

Streets Run Road and Grover roads were added to the list for display of military banners.

Christopher Meyer of Barlind Dr. spoke to council on behalf of "Fair Districts-- Pennsylvania". They are an anti-gerrymandering group. He said new technology enables it to be taken to a new level. They would like to see an independent commission set up consisting of 4 democrats, 4 republicans and 3 independents. There would be NO politicians.

At the Lincoln dealership fund-raising event, 100 people took a test drive. This enabled the library to receive \$3000.

The recreation director is working to have a small farmers market for Community day. It will be in the library parking lot.



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 and Spring Clean-up**

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412-897-2764 or dkujawa@me.com

Leave a message!
 References available.

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Beginning with the May/June, 2019 edition, we will charge **\$50/year** and we will not offer the option of electing less than one year. Your yearly subscription will include six editions running from May, 2019 to May, 2020. In order to lessen the complexity of tracking each individual ad, we want to put everyone on the same annual cycle. **(Please Note: Resident ads will no longer be FREE)**

If you wish to place your ad, please remit a \$50 check payable to **STEEPLECHASE CSA** and send to: **Betty Long, 1024 Duncan Lane, Pittsburgh, PA 15236, no later than March 31, 2019.**

You can contact Betty Long at SteeplechaseCommittees@outlook.com , please note NEWSLETTER in the RE box.

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2019 Dates to Remember



Thursday, July 11	Game Day, 1PM at the clubhouse
Monday, July 15	Lunch Bunch, 11:30AM at Al's Café, 11:30 AM
Monday, July 15	Board of Directors Meeting, 6:30 PM at the clubhouse
Tuesday, July 16	Bunco 1PM at the clubhouse
Friday, July 26 (Date change)	Game Day, 1PM at the clubhouse
Sunday, Aug. 4	Ice Cream Social, Carol's Corner 6:30 PM — 8 PM
Thursday, Aug, 8	Game Day, 1PM at the clubhouse
Tuesday, Aug. 13	Bunco 1PM at the clubhouse
Wednesday, Aug, 21	Lunch Bunch, 11:30 AM Houlihan's at the Galleria
Thursday, Aug. 22	Game Day, 1PM at the clubhouse

GAS GRILL SAFETY GUIDELINES

Please keep this page as a reference.



- Propane and charcoal grills should only be used outdoors.
- The grill should be placed as far as possible from the home, deck railings or any other combustible materials.
- Grilling should never be done under an overhang – for example, a patio under a deck.
- Keep the grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grill and in trays below the grill.
- Never leave the grill unattended.
- Keep a fire extinguisher close by.
- A leak or break was the leading factor contributing to gas grill-related fires, according to the National Fire Protection Association.
- Check the gas cylinder hose for leaks before using it for the first time each year.
- Apply a light soap and water solution to the hose, which will quickly reveal escaping gas by releasing bubbles.
- If you smell or otherwise suspect a gas leak, and there is no flame, turn off the gas tank and grill. If the leak stops, get a professional to service it before using it again. Call the fire department if the leak does not stop.
- If you smell gas while cooking, get away from the grill immediately and call the fire department. Do not attempt to move the grill.
- Never turn on the gas when the lid is closed. The gas may build up inside, and when ignited, the lid could blow off and cause injuries or burns.
- After cooking, make sure you completely close the valve on your gas tank.
- Always store gas grills – and propane tanks – outside and away from your house.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY STEEPLECHASE





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