

Horse Tales

July/August 2020



President's News

Hello Everyone

What a crazy year!!

As you know, we cancelled the March Board meeting. The Board did meet in May via Phone Conference, and we will do that again for July.

The Board remains focused on maintaining our business as usual. Our Committee Chairs have been fabulous in helping us do that, and they will continue to report as we continue to plow our way through 2020.

Since we don't have a lot of "new business" to talk about, I thought it might be a good opportunity to review things that affect all of us.

Annual Inspection

The annual inspection of the Community was performed this year by members of the Board. Letters resulting from that inspection will be going out shortly (or may have already by the time you receive the Newsletter).

As you know, the annual inspection is focused on keeping the Community looking wellmaintained and attractive to potential buyers – thus, protecting the value of all of our investments.

If you receive a letter, please do your part. Since each inspector canvassed his area when it was convenient, the inspections were done over several weeks. As a result, you may already have attended to the item(s) listed. If, so, please let us know that. If the item remains open, please make every attempt to have it completed in the time frame noted in the letter. If you need additional time, please contact us to arrange for an extension.

As we have done for several years, we will schedule monthly walk-around follow up inspections based on the dates in your letter.

Thank you for your help and cooperation.

Steeplechase Rules

Just some reminders:

<u>Parking</u>: You've received the new parking policy and an explanation as to why the Board relaxed the rule for using parking pads. The success or failure of this new approach depends on you. We are counting on the thoughtfulness of our residents to ensure that use of parking pads is not abused and that we continue to hold these parking spaces for visitors.

<u>Pets</u>: We have many dogs in Steeplechase. Many of us love all of them. We do, however, need to respect those who would prefer not to have our furry kids in their yards. We also need to ensure the safety of our residents and all of the dogs.

For these reasons, our rule (and Whitehall's rule) requires that dogs be on leash at all times when they are outside. Remember – even though your dog may be gentle and "never bite or fight" that does not necessarily apply to all dogs. We cannot and will not make exceptions based on an individual dog's personality.

Please have your dog leashed at all times when outdoors and make sure the dog is not wandering onto someone else's lawn without permission.

<u>Trash</u>: I read an unsettling reaction from a resident who received a letter reminding them that trash cannot be placed outside the residence before 3:00 p.m. the day prior to pick up. This resident said – "my husband and I just laughed."

My hope is that everyone understand that our rules have a purpose. What if we didn't have a "trash" rule – Think about that. We could have trash sitting outside virtually all the time.

"Oh, I just put it out an hour early." Well, OK – so, if an hour early is ok, then is an hour and a half ok? What about a day? What about several days? Once the rule is not enforced because "it's almost 3:00," then when is it OK to enforce the rule?

<u>Signs</u>: With only a few exceptions, Steeplechase does not permit the display of signs of any kind. Most of the violations of this rule are the result of contractors placing their signs in the front of the residence where they are working. Please be sure your contractor understands that signs are not permitted.

As I said – our rules are our rules for good reasons – and those reasons are for the good of all of us.

If a situation arises where you would like a special accommodation, please call us. We will work with you to come up with something. If you don't call, we cannot ignore a disregard of any of our rules.

Stay safe! Stay well!

Judi Lewis

Committee Reports

Community Relations

Due to resident demand, the Whitehall pool is open this summer. Only a certain number of people are admitted at one time. The pool is cleaned in the morning. After the first session it is cleaned again. When the pool closes at 6pm it is cleaned again. There is a charge of \$5 per visit. You must bring your own chair and no refreshments are sold.

The opening of the Farmers Market is still undecided but most likely will not happen.

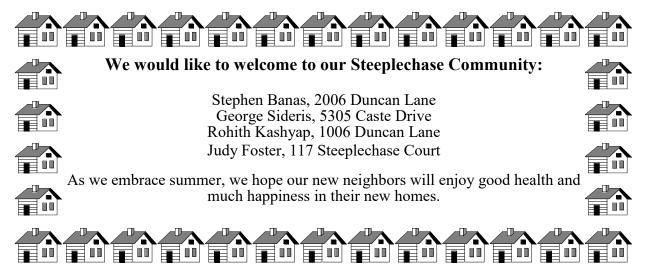
Whitehall will not be paving any roads this year. However most of the borough's roads are in good repair.

Because of the pandemic and its effect on the economy, it is estimated that Whitehall's income will be down about 25% this year.

Social Committee

Since Covid-19 is going to be with us for a good while yet, the Social Committee has decided to cancel the following activities for the rest of the year. This includes the July Picnic, the Ice Cream Social, Garage Sale, Christmas Party, Bunco, Game Day and Lunch Bunch. Hopefully, these activities can resume in 2021.

Keep safe and well during this difficult time. Wear your mask and wash your hands.



Marilyn Dabkowski

Marsha Hinsch

Steeplechase News and Activities

Steeplechase Board Meetings

July 20, 2020 by conference call September—TBA

Contact a board member if you have issues, concerns or anything you would like discussed at the board meeting.



Steeplechase Food Drive

Carol's Corner 1069 Duncan Lane August 15 & 16, 2020 10:00 am - 2:00 pm



The local food banks are being asked to supply more families than ever due to the increased demand caused by the Covid 19 pandemic. Steeplechase would like to do their part to help our fellow Pittsburghers. We will be accepting non-perishable items (please check expiration dates) on the above dates. We will also accept Giant Eagle gift cards so families can buy perishable items such as milk and eggs.

Arrangements are being made to provide coffee & donuts on Saturday morning from 10 am—12 noon. Details will be sent out closer to time.

Obituaries

Germaine Gribowicz April 21, 2020 (former resident) Joy Toperzer April 29, 2020 Ann Priore May 2, 2020 Charles Prosser May 11, 2020 Robert Kortner May 26, 2020 (former resident)







Steeplechase Communications and Social Media

Steeplechase Hotline

The Steeplechase Hotline is staffed by resident volunteers. 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**.

Environmental Protection Committee

Have a question? Call the SC Hotline or your representative listed below

Street	EPC Respresentative
Caste Drive 5301 thru 5314 Lantern Hill Ext. 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 Ext. 5228 thru 5506	Patty Barcic: 412-613-0599
Paddock Lane Belmont Lane	John Paravati: 412-596-0535
Hennig Drive Lantern Hill Drive 5215 thru 5226	Call the SC Hotline at 412-279-9280 Ext
Caste Drive5281 thru 5293Lantern Hill Drive5200 thru 5211	Call the SC Hotline at 412-279-9280 Ext

Steeplechase Website

Steeplechase Community Service Association (CSA) www.steeplechasecsa.com There is no longer a login or password to access the website.

Steeplechase on Facebook

The Steeplechase Facebook page can be found by searching for Steeplechase Pgh <u>https://www.facebook.com/groups/657615811085486</u> and then "Like" the page.

Steeplechase 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 EMail alerts by sending an email to: SteeplechaseCommittees@outlook.com and note "EMail alert" in the subject line.

Steeplechase Newsletter

Please pass on this information to any residents you know who are not receiving the newsletter.

You can sign up for the newsletter by sending an email to:

SteeplechaseCommittees@outlook.com and note "Newsletter" in the subject line. If a resident does not have access to a computer or smartphone they can call the Hotline or Valerie Wolfe (270-871-8458) and ask to receive a printed copy.

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.

Thanks to all of the volunteers!

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.

If you need help, please call us.



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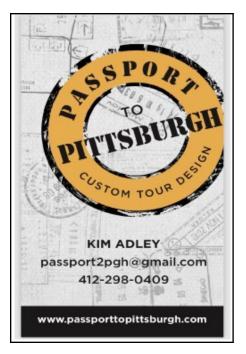
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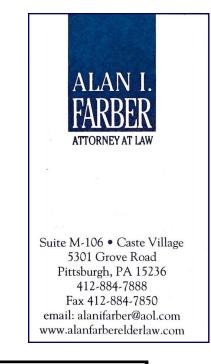
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