



# Horse Tales

*Working together to be the best we can be!*

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## PRESIDENT'S NEWS

**Judi Lewis**

Hello Everyone

Every time I sit down to write this report to the Community, I just sit back and think. Just look at us!! The Community looks great – new lights, new sign, new fountain, upgrades to landscaping and lighting on the entrance island – all thanks to John. The Community is running on all fours: Randy is working with the asphalt contractor. Chuck is attending all the Whitehall Council meetings and reporting. Jeannine has taken over the Decorations and is working on a long-range plan. Alfie is keeping the library stocked and scheduling regular “book club” meetings. Betty and Valerie are publishing regular Newsletters. Betty staged our largest Picnic ever and has made plans for at least one event every month. Roseann sees to it that every new resident is properly welcomed to Steeplechase. Jeannine has stepped in to help Marco keep the Web site up to date. Board members are completing the annual Community inspection. And, Don Fox is watching over the Funds. We are so lucky.

### **Projects:**

Lampposts: The lamppost project is complete. Thank you to all the residents who took the time to comment. There is one lamppost that is not yet lighting (the one at Parkside and LHE). We need to tap into the Duquesne Light box there. After many tries, we have yet to find the “guy with the key to that box.” We’ll keep trying ... if all else fails, we do know a guy with a hacksaw!!

Steeplechase Welcome Sign: Check. Again, thank you to all the residents who took the time to comment. The area around the sign will be landscaped either this year or next.

**Vote Results:**

The votes concerning the 2023 Finances were counted and reported at the meeting on July 20. After the meeting, we found that a few votes were stuck in the envelope and didn't get counted. Following the meeting, CMA did a total recount. We also found that three of the votes had been cast from Homeowners who are not residents. According to our legal documents, the votes from Homeowners who are also residents count for 2. Votes from non-resident Homeowners count for one. With those adjustments the results:

Votes for an Audit	56
Votes for a Review	85
Votes to do Nothing	108

Thank you to all the residents who voted. We are very lucky to be managed by Community Management Advisors. They have a very professional, well-staffed accounting department. The Board has total confidence in them.

The ballot boxes worked very well. We will use them again in advance of the Annual Owners' Meeting in November to give everyone a chance to vote – whether or not you are able to attend the meeting.

Together we can make Steeplechase the best we can be!!!

Judi Lewis

## Committee Reports

### Decorations

Jeannine Carver

A big Thank You to all who helped with the flags for Memorial Day and the Fourth of July. Due to the age and condition of the flags, we are planning to replace 50 for the 2025 flag season.

As this is my first year as chair, I am looking for volunteers. If you like decorating and want to help, please contact me. The committee is planning to purchase NEW fall/holiday/spring decorations for the front island and around the neighborhood. Many of the old decorations were discarded due to age and condition. We will be replacing and adding items over the next few years.

### Internet

Jeannine Carver

[www.steeplechasecsa.com](http://www.steeplechasecsa.com)

.We are working to update the Steeplechase website with the most current Steeplechase information including monthly financial statements, minutes from the Board of Directors meetings, updated changes to our Rules, Regulations and Administrative Policies, and the current Exterior specifications. We thank you for your patience as the committee is experiencing some changes.

You can always find the Alteration Request (AR) Form under the Documents tab. You can fill it out online and submit it electronically or just print and mail it to CMA.

### Library

Alfie Chico

Steeplechase ♥s Books will be meeting August 30 the last Friday of the month. Char Haupt, a self-published author, will be joining us to discuss how she gets her ideas for books, does research and how she gets her book published. Our theme for August is short books under 250 pages, a favorite children's book or a first in a series book. We'll be meeting at 1023 Duncan Lane at 10:30 AM. New members are always welcome.

This has been an active summer for the Steeplechase Little Library and we've been doing our best to keep it filled. Thanks to all of you who donate books, you're the best!

## Landscaping

John Paravati

This year several landscaping projects have been completed. Two additions to our landscaping included a fountain and a new Steeplechase sign.

I am currently working on plans for next year's projects with my main focus for next year being upgrades to Lantern Hill Extension specifically, the two smaller parking pads across from 5252 and 5438 LHE. I will be looking into expanding the beds, upgrading the shrubs along with adding new shrubs.

Stay tuned for more information.



## Social Committee

Betty Long

The social committee is very excited about our upcoming events. On August 24th we are having a Mystery Dinner. Monsters, Molls & Marinara will be the presentation. A pasta dinner will be served (a variety of pasta and sauces). Come and enjoy a fun evening of mystery at the GV Social Hall on McAnulty Rd in Baldwin. You can find details in the Newsletter.

Activities for the rest of the year include the Annual Garage Sale in September and the Food Drive on October 5 & 6. For the first time this year, we will be collecting **gift cards and cash only** at the request of the Food Banks. This allows families to purchase the items they need.

**MYSTERY DINNER**  
**MONSTERS, MOLLS & MARINARA**

**By**

**Mystery Most Wanted**

Saturday, August 24, 2024

5:00 pm, dinner at 5:30

\$25 per person

\$30 for non residents

GV Social Hall

Make your reservation with Sandy Gimiliano at 412-885-4207

Or Email: [jsg1946@icloud.com](mailto:jsg1946@icloud.com) by Monday, August 19th

All messages will receive a return response

Make checks payable to Steeplechase CSA

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**August Lunch Bunch**

**Friday, August 16, 2024**

**11:30 am**

**Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza**

102 McDowell Lane  
McMurray, PA 15317

RSVP: Betty Long

412-881-6841

By Wednesday, August 14, 2024

**September Lunch Bunch**

**Wednesday, Sept. 18, 2024**

**NOON**

**Park Social**

2525 Brownsville Rd  
South Park, PA 15129

RSVP: Valerie Wolfe

270-871-8458

By Monday, Sept. 16, 2024



We are very happy to welcome to the Steeplechase Community our new neighbors.

William & June Sheppard, 3024 Duncan Lane

We hope you will be very happy in your new home.

Welcome to Steeplechase!

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

DATE	TIME	EVENT & LOCATION
August 16, 2024	11:30 am	Lunch Bunc Anthony's Coal Fired Pizza
August 24, 2024	5:00 pm	Mystery Dinner GV Social Hall
August 30, 2024	10:30 am	Book Club 1023 Duncan Lane
September 7, 2024	8:00 am— 2:00 pm	Garage Sale
September 14, 2024	9:30 am	Board Meeting Fire Dept., Weyman Rd.
September 18, 2024	NOON	Lunch Bunch Park Social
October 5 & 6, 2024	10:00 am— 2:00 pm	Food Drive Corner of Duncan & Caste
November 7, 2024	6:00 pm	Annual Owners' Meeting GV Social Hall
November 17, 2024	11:00 am— 2:00 pm	Hoagie Sale
December 7, 2024	6:00 pm	Christmas Party GV Social Hall