



Hearthstone Back to School Social *by Sandra Maxwell*

I can feel the excitement in the air! All the Hearthstone children, giddy over the beginning of a new school year (Oh wait...those are giddy PARENTS)!! Let's harness some of that energy at the Back to School Party for all school aged Hearthstone 'little bits'!



Party time is **Sunday, September 7th at 4 pm**. Watch the entrance sign for details to follow. It'll be a great time and great food and lots of laughs!! **Please**

RSVP by September 5th to srmaxwell@alltel.net with the names and grades of children attending. Parents are welcome to drop off or stay and socialize as well.

Also, make plans to attend the Neighborhood Halloween Social on October 31st. We all meet at the Maxwell's for pre-treat eats for the kids and adults alike. Come get a gander at all the neighborhood ghouls!

Bring the kid's treat bags and we will unleash the goblins onto the neighborhood porches when the sun goes down!!



Please RSVP to srmaxwell@alltel.net with the number in your family that will be eating and/or attending.

Adult Social *by Shari Wynn*

Save the Date! The 2008 Hearthstone neighborhood annual steak dinner and neighborhood association meeting (aka: Adult Social) will take place **September 19th at 7:00pm**.



We will be at the Lake Pointe Hall in Colonel Francis Beatty Park again this year. Keep an eye on your mailbox for a flyer with additional information, coming soon.

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Special points of interest:

- *School Social: 9.7.2008*
- *Halloween Social: 10.31.2008*
- *Adult Social: 9.19.2008*
- *Front Entrance Work: 9.13.2008*
- *Roadside Clean-up: 10.11.2008*

Beautification *by Ken Klug*



WARNING "Under Construction"
9/13/2008 @ 9am

Heads-up the front entrance will soon be under construction! The facelift will begin at 9am Saturday, 9/13/2008. All neighbors are encouraged to come out and help with this transformation. A new landscape design filled with a balance of

evergreens that are easy to maintain while allowing plenty of visibility for our entrance sign. Saturday will consist of preparing the amending the soil, installing and transplanting various ornamentals.

After the ornamentals and trees are in place we will aerate, seed and fertilize the entrance. The process to develop a Fescue turf will be a nurturing one. The area will start out as mixture of both Bermuda and Fescue for the first year. This will allow us an opportunity to remove the weeds and allow the Fescue to mature for year round color. The opportunity to remodel our entrance is here but the transition can't happen without your assistance. So bring your gloves, yard tools and an appetite for beautifying our entrance on Saturday, September 13th at 9

am. **Please email me to confirm your attendance, nkklug@yahoo.com**



Road Side Cleanup
10/11/2008 @ 9am

Saturday 10/11/2008 @ 9 am, we will perform our cleanup of Tilley Morris road from the Hearthstone entrance to the fire department. The more participants the quicker this goes as well so please plan to attend on 10/11/2008 at 9 am. In case of rain the makeup date will be the following Saturday 10/18/2008 at 9 am. **Please email me to confirm your attendance, nkklug@yahoo.com.**

Welcoming Committee *by Jennifer Walls and Kristin Andes*



Please welcome our new Hearthstone neighbors, the Hupe family at 3242 Tating Road --- Debbie (mom), daughter Emma (4th grade at Charlotte Latin), son Charlie (2nd grade at The Fletcher School), two dogs, two cats, a kitten, and a bearded dragon lizard. ("Hupe" rhymes with "puppy.")

We also have two new additions to the neighborhood: baby boys Liam Hancock (son of Trevor and Amanda at 10210

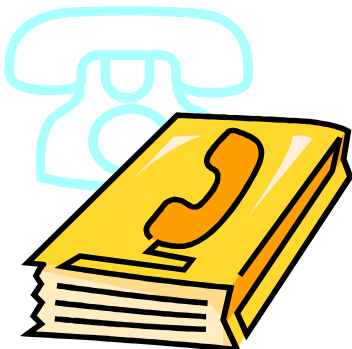
Rocking Chair) and Michael Guerriero (son of Michael and Melanie at 10416 Rocking Chair). With Liam and Michael following Charleigh Brooks earlier this year, we think Rocking Chair is the new Hearthstone "baby zone!" Remember to tip toe quietly down Rocking Chair...babies sleeping!

The Welcoming Committee greatly appreciates all the neighborhood volunteer cooks and bakers who provide hot meals

and extra hands to new neighbors, families with new additions, and to neighbors in need. Thank you so much for your continued generosity!

Do you know of a Hearthstone neighbor in need of a little special attention? Call or email Jen Walls or Kristin Andes and the Welcoming Committee will be there with a smile.

2008 Neighborhood Directory *by Kim McClintock*



The 2008 Neighborhood Directory was delivered to all dues paying members of the Hearthstone Homeowner's Association in June. If you did not get a directory or if you notice any changes or corrections that need to be made, please contact Kim McClintock at home@mcclintockhvac.com or by calling 704-847-2691.

President's Corner *by Ron Walls*

Hopefully everyone had a summer of fond memories and is getting ready for "back to school" either from the perspective of the student, the parent, or the driver trying to maneuver through traffic in the morning and afternoon.

In looking back through previous neighborhood communications I come across a few that touch home with me as it relates to life in our neighborhood. One such communication read:

"The Hearthstone Neighborhood Association realizes that the only way that 'Hearthstone can be a Community' instead of a subdivision is through personal interaction and common concerns".

As I meet and get to know my neighbors better, we have quite a diverse neighborhood; be it age, ethnic background, family makeup, political or religious affilia-



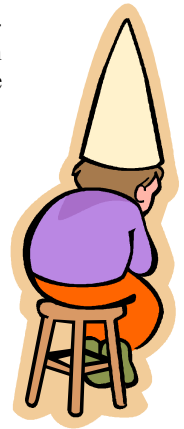
tion, or simply time in the neighborhood, our interactions with each other help us to better understand those things that are common and strengthen our community.

In closing I look forward to seeing everyone at the September dinner where we will have another opportunity to meet and enjoy ourselves. Your board will inform the group of current events and get feedback on approaches to handling issues that are brought up for discussion.

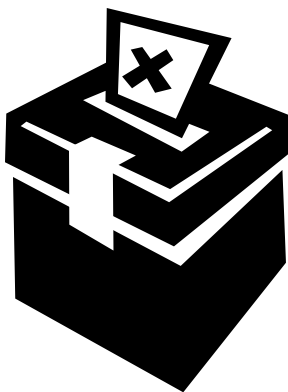
Results Officially Protested *by Sandra Maxwell*

Results of the "So you think you are smarter than a Hearthstone student" have been officially protested by the children. The scoring of the event has been called into question. Further proving that we are not necessarily smarter than a Hearthstone student, the results were 'accidentally' skewed in the Parent's favor. It is with the deepest regret, that we announce for the second year in a row, that the Hearthstone students have kicked the parent's behinds.

At this time, the parents would like to inform the adults of the neighborhood that we are considering bringing in a ringer next year so.....all Ivy league graduates should respond to the board to apply!



Open Board Positions *by The Board*



While the adult social is primarily a social event (hence the name), it is also used as an opportunity to discuss community issues. One such item that will be on the slate for this year's social will be the election of some new board members. The board would like to thank the outgoing members in the following positions for their dedicated service and hard work over the last year (or years, in some cases), and announce to the community at large that their positions will be up for grabs at the steak dinner (there may be others as well, but these are the definite ones at press time):

- One spot on School Relations (vacated by Michele Stillman)
- Adult Social (vacated by Shari Wynn)
- Both positions on Neighborhood watch (vacated by Leslie Walls & Dawn Banick)

Once again the board would like to thank these members for all their hard work and encourage everyone to think about coming out to the steak dinner and consider filling one of these roles while filling yourself with rolls... and steak, and pie, and...