

# DeerTracks

## Deerbrook Home Owners Association Newsletter

### May 2004

#### May 5 Membership Meeting

The Neighborhood Association Membership meeting held on Monday May 5<sup>th</sup> was well attended, with 30 households represented out of 74 member households. New officers were elected. See the back of this newsletter for the list of your new DHOA officers and board members.

Proposed bylaws changes were discussed, and all were adopted as proposed, with the exception of Article IX. A substitute motion was offered, and approved, so that the quorum for any general DHOA membership meeting is now 20% of eligible voting units.

The DHOA budget and activities for the upcoming year were discussed and approved, with consideration of the spring survey results. The summer cookout is no longer on the docket; an early fall party is being planned in conjunction with the fall meeting, which will now be held in October rather than November (see article on Oktoberfest). The next issue of the directory will be done early next year. The front entry was approved an additional \$400 to buy some nice seasonal plantings, to be selected with the limitation that we do not have water to irrigate them.

#### Mark your calendars for Saturday October 2<sup>nd</sup> for the next General Meeting and OKTOBERFEST

It was decided at the May 5<sup>th</sup> meeting that in lieu of a summer cookout – we will have an Oktoberfest/Fall party immediately following our General Meeting. The party will be “family friendly.” Time and place will be announced soon. Please contact any Board Member if you are interested in helping out.

#### Congratulations to

Marvel-Ann and Glenton Ashby on the birth of Charles Glenton Ashby on April 2.

All our neighborhood graduates:  
Mary Ange, Kathryn Gaffney, Erik Gotrich, Megan McCormack, Julia Mercurio, Natalie Sanfilippo, Jeff Scott and Ashley Williams.

#### And the survey says....

Results are in from the DHOA Interest Survey Results from March 2004. With 22 surveys in, the rankings were assigned a point value so that any item listed as top priority got 10 points, on down to last priority items, which got 1 point. The average number of points per item:

- 8.2 Covenant enforcement
- 7.8 Newsletter
- 7.5 Front entry beautification projects
- 7.5 Directory
- 4.9 DHOA informational website
- 3.4 Christmas bows
- 3.3 Yard Sales
- 3.2 Holiday Party
- 2.7 Summer Cookout
- 1.5 Halloween bows

#### Thank you...

To the DHOA outgoing officers and board members Gary Schubert, Jan Dyer, Debbie Slappey, and Bonnie Crowley. Your hard work is evident and is appreciated. Thanks to Gary Schubert for taking on getting new signs for DHOA announcements.

Also, to John Dyer, who is forever putting new light bulbs in the Deerbrook entry sign!

#### Volunteers for upcoming activities:

Lynne Thomas was selected to spearhead the Oktoberfest party. Valerie Sims offered to assist with this. Bill Dunn will spearhead the December party. Sherry Hoger and Ricki Moran will look into finding or making nicer Christmas bows. Tom Heinze will work on setting up a DHOA website, using free hosting services until we can find out how useful or popular our website might be. The next directory committee will include Sherry Hoger, Tom Heinze, Kaye Lowe, Patricia Yeargin, and John Dyer. Thanks to everyone who signed up for something—volunteers keep our Association alive! Lynne and Bill have especially big jobs and will definitely need more helpers—especially since Bill's expecting a new baby in the family right around party time! Please let us know if you want to participate.

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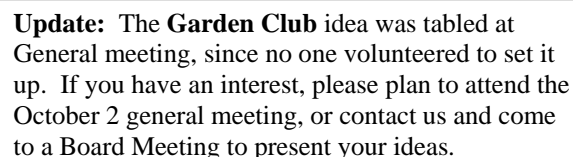
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Please keep this list, and don't hesitate to call or e-mail any of your officers if you have ideas or questions. Welcome to all new Board Members and Officers!

### More Electronic Contact Information

DHOA's website is <http://mywebpage.netscape.com/DeerbrookHOA/home.html>, and although it is still under construction, please go and take a look. If you have ideas or photos you'd like added to the website, please email Tom Heinze at [theinze@yahoo.com](mailto:theinze@yahoo.com). Please put "DHOA website" in your subject line to ensure that your email is properly handled.

Our general e-mail address is [DeerbrookHOA@netscape.net](mailto:DeerbrookHOA@netscape.net) -- and you may want to know that this address will still work if it is typed in all lower-case letters. This mailbox is checked at least three or four times a week, and can be used to send a question or message to the Board via the President. It can also be used if a message of general interest needs to be sent out to members quickly; however, please specify if you are requesting that a message forwarded to the larger group—it is not an automatic distribution list, and is used only occasionally for messages of concern to the entire neighborhood.



**Update:** The **Garden Club** idea was tabled at General meeting, since no one volunteered to set it up. If you have an interest, please plan to attend the October 2 general meeting, or contact us and come to a Board Meeting to present your ideas.