



Deerbrook Homeowners Association

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Newsletter Announcements
If you have anything you'd like to see in the newsletter, please email mail@deerbrookhoa.org

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Deerbrook Homeowners Association Newsletter
November 2020

Fall General Meeting and a Movie

The general meeting November 7 was conducted in person with physical distancing in the Windhurst cul-de-sac. It was attended by 8 paying households, one non-voting household, and two member proxies were held by attendees. After all outstanding payments, our balance was \$5122.59. As usual, most of our expenses are spent on the landscaping and electricity at the Killian Hill frontage. At this meeting Dimitra Konidaris volunteered to serve as a board member and the membership voted her in.

One year ago, the membership voted to ask the County to install new stop signs, and we did that. Earlier this year the country placed an electronic speed sign in an inappropriate place and then removed it. The board is continuing to contact the

county to request the actual placement of the requested speed signs at the locations we requested. We will keep you updated.

The updated **Directory** was distributed to all who have paid dues for the 2020 calendar year in August. If you did not get your Directory, please email us at mail@deerbrookhoa.org. If you are not yet a member, please pay your annual dues at the December 6 annual dues collection (see below) and we'll provide you one.

After the fall meeting, we watched the live version of Aladdin. Several additional residents came out to see it as well. Thanks to Blake Parkman for loaning us the big home-made screen. The event was well attended. Please let us know if you'd like additional events like this.

Deerbrook Holiday Events: Dues & Luminaries 12/6

As in years past, we are again going to light up Deerbrook with luminaries. **Luminaries** will be handed out on **Sunday, December 6** at Roger Hagen's house at 4015 Windhurst between 1 and 5 p.m. Please set out your luminaries, spaced about 10 feet apart, on your curb and light them at dusk. If it's rainy or windy, the luminaries will instead be set out December 13. Regardless of the weather, pickup is on December 6. To help defray the cost of the luminary supplies, we're asking for a donation of \$5. Prepare for luminaries by clearing leaves and debris out of the rain gutters by the roadside – taking care that the leaves don't end up down the storm drains, where they can block or slow down water flow (see article on next page).

2021 DHOA dues (\$60) will also be collected at Roger's house on December

6. Remember, these dues are used for general upkeep of the association which benefits all of us, including paying the bills for our beautiful landscaping, the electricity for our streetlights, our website, and office supplies like this newsletter.

Also on December 6, we will **collect contributions for our local firehouse**. In years past we have collected over a hundred dollars for each of the three shifts and we are very proud to be helping those who help us. Our firehouse personnel are superb professionals, as has been testified by several of our homeowners who have required their services. This year, we hope to surpass what we provided last year.

If you are **not going to be able to pick up or light** your luminaries, please ask a neighbor to pick them up and light them for you. Feel free to send along your dues and firehouse donations too!

Deerbrook Homeowners Association

Officers for 2019-2020

President

Nicole Wright

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James Jacobson

Treasurer

Blake Parkman

Secretary

Claire Gloeckner

Board Members

Dimitra Konidaris

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Please email us at mail@deerbrookhoa.org to volunteer for your HOA, if you have questions or concerns, or if you'd like to be appointed to the DHOA Board. Everyone is needed!

Time to Prepare for Winter

Storm drains are our responsibility.

If you have a storm drain on your property, you may know that you, the resident, are responsible for keeping it clear. These drains are strictly for getting rainwater off the roads and keeping it from washing yards away. If you haven't picked up the dead debris from your yard since the recent storms, you may have some cleaning to do. Without regular cleaning the storm drains get clogged and sheets of water go all the way across the street. Please help keep our waterways open and clear.

Winterize your external pipes. We have had several mild winters, but it is unwise to assume that this year will also be mild. Cover your external faucets with inexpensive styrofoam covers to prevent water freezing damage to them. Drain your sprinkler systems and turn them off for the season.

Sand for our entrance. Let's hope we don't need it, but we have a small stockpile of sand for our roads in case of slippery slopes. We've learned the hard way that snow melts into ice on a lot of our hilly, shaded streets. We also noticed there is no substitute for shoveling snow off the roads

(especially the hills) as soon as possible after it falls. We'll be looking for volunteers with shovels the next time that happens!

Stuck at home in a power outage.

You should have extra supplies at home in case of power outages or other emergencies. The Centers for Disease Control has a very helpful emergency preparedness list at: <http://emergency.cdc.gov/preparedness/kit/disasters/>

On the road. Be sure to have your emergency kits ready for winter driving, too. If you must drive in wicked weather or when it's predicted, here are some ideas for what to have in your car. Flashlights and batteries, bottled water, jumper cables, some high-calorie non-perishable food (peanut butter, raisins, nuts, etc.), flares, first-aid kit, blanket, ice scraper, and a bag of sand, to name a few. Keep your cell phone charged, have a charger in your car, and keep your gas tank at least half full at all times. Find out what you can do with shaving cream, sandpaper, and iodized salt at: <http://www.almanac.com/emergency-car-kit>.

Business Spotlight Here!

We would like to assist any small business owners who live in the neighborhood by featuring them in

this Newsletter. Please let us know by sending us an email.

Quotes...

Immature love says: "I love you because I need you." Mature love says "I need you because I love you."

– Erich Fromm

The undertaking of a new action brings new strength.

– Richard L. Evans

About Our Organization...

The objectives of this Association are to protect, preserve, and enhance the property values; to promote integrity and good faith and friendly relations amongst its members; to prevent or adjust controversies; and to represent the community in the consideration and decisions of public policy in municipal, county, and state affairs.