

HIDEAWAY HEADLINES

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GENERAL MEETING THURS MAY 23

April Meeting Highlights:

The next HCA Board meeting is Monday May 6, 2002 at 9842 Rainleaf CT 7:30PM We'll be deciding on the general meeting agenda. & reviewing bids for community beautification projects. **Fred Johnston** informed us that he'll be leaving the board - Fred, thanks for your help!.

Treasurer's report as of April 1:

Checking \$762.40

Savings Accounts: Business \$30,867.93 Capital Maintenance \$18,796.51

Assessments:

As of April 1 there were 42 unpaid assessments. Reminder letters will be sent in April. All unpaid assessments as of 04/30/2002 will be sent to the Association's collection agents, the law firm of Nagle & Zaller,. for collection action., The property owner will then incur additional collection fees. If you do not remember paying the 2002 assessment please contact your treasurer Mike Lebe or drop us an email at hcanews@aol.com If your assessment for 2002 is not paid, you will be unable to vote at the general meeting.

Hideaway Website:

Thanks to **Marjeta Cedilnik** from Rainleaf for volunteering to get our website back up to speed. She'll be attacking that project soon.

The Rockpile

Thanks to the resident(s) who cleared the rocks from the open space.

EVENTS -PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGES FOR SPRING FLING & GENERAL MTG

- **Friday, Saturday & Sunday April 26 - 28 Dumpster Weekend - A grand old Hideaway tradition returns!!** Community Clean-up Saturday April 27 **RAIN or SHINE** meet us at the tot lot 10AM to join the team. Dumpster rules will be published at the end of this newsletter.. As an FYI, any non-HCA property on common areas will be disposed of, so use this opportunity to remove any bicycles, toys, playground equipment, landscaping materials etc.

- **Annual Hideaway Party, The Legendary Spring Fling, May 11' 2002 3PM - 6PM on Rainleaf Ct.** It became necessary to move the date up a week. We'll bring the burgers, dogs, condiments, soda and chips. You bring yourselves, the kids, and Grandma, if she's here for Mom's Day weekend. Please bring a dish to share with your neighbors- preferably a salad or dessert, but appetizers are ok too. (Actually whatever you'd like to bring is ok, I'll pretty much eat anything. I really like this party; some years have been an international buffet - Fred). If you're interested in being a little more involved in the party, call The Hideaway's renowned hostess **Maggi Lewis**, at **410-792-7293**. - *FOOD, FUN AND A GREAT TIME* - see you there!!
- **Annual HCA General Meeting May 23rd Amherst House 7 -9 PM.** A new board will be elected at this meeting. Among the topics up for discussion: **repaving the streets, new tot lot location, assessments, and any items of resident concern.** If you'd like to serve on the board, get in touch with one of the current board members or drop us an email at **hcanews@aol.com**. *(ed. note: it's actually not a bad gig, you help preserve the property values, have fun with a nice bunch of people and learn a little about organizational mgt All for the price of a few hours a month)*

New Arrivals

The Hideaway has had a number of new arrivals recently. To the new owners and residents of The Hideaway - **WELCOME!**- all residents both owners and renters are invited to Hideaway social functions: picnics, Spring parties, Community Clean-ups, etc. In the other class of "**New Arrivals**," we've also seen several signs and balloons **announcing new babies** - **CONGRATULATIONS!**- to the families.

Covenant Compliance:

Since I've been able to get out of bed and look around the community recently, it's encouraging to see all the painting, cleaning and fixing up that's been going on. There are a couple of things to remember: **if you are painting**, please make sure you use the **approved color schemes** for The Hideaway. The colors on your house may not have been correct. The same holds true for shutter colors. Our website, <http://www.geocities.com/hideaway2000us/>, while it is a little outdated about some things, still contains the approved color schemes. The paint schemes can be matched at the Snowden River Pkwy **Home Depot Paint Desk**. If you are performing ANY exterior alterations - decks, fences, balconies, windows, doors, etc. and the work is not an exact replacement for what you currently have **you must submit an application with the King's Contrivance Resident Architectural Committee (KC RAC)**. Check the KC website <http://www.columbiavillages.org/kingscontrivance/> or call the covenant advisor at (410) 381-9600 for more information about the application process. Thank you for your co-operation. If you have any questions, please contact a board member.

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Dumpsters 2002

Howard County will be leaving two dumpsters in the Hideaway, April 26-28 (Friday through Monday). These 22'x6'x8' containers can go a long way toward helping us keep the Hideaway clean. Since we got in trouble with the County a couple of years back for throwing contraband in the Dumpster, I'll restate the rules:

The Rules

I. Do Not Overload the container or deposit trash on the ground The County will not assume responsibility for items deposited on the ground (their emphasis - this means if the container is full, take your items to the landfill - call the County for details). The container must not be filled above the top of the sidewalls. The debris then just sits on the ground and we end up using association funds (your money) to pay to clean-up somebody else's junk.

II. The following items ARE NOT ALLOWED in the container:

- **Trash & recycling** that would normally be picked up on your regular collection route.
- *** Remodeling or construction debris.**
 - * **Large tree trunks, stumps or branches** (pieces under four feet in length are acceptable).
 - * **Earth, broken paving, large rocks and boulders.**
 - * **Hazardous materials (chemicals, flammables, explosives, oil-based paints, latex paints that are still liquid in the can, etc.).**

PLEASE OBSERVE THESE RULES

If you have things to dispose of that don't fit the above - call Fred Niziol, he knows garbage and can give you some ideas.

