

Sandscribes

Heidelberg Beach
Vermilion, Ohio

May 17, 2004



Welcome to the First Issue of 2004

Hope this first issue of the Sandscribes for 2004 finds you and your family healthy and happy!

As you will read under the April 24th Board Minutes in the following pages, it was with great regret that the Heidelberg Beach Board of Trustees accepted the resignation of Joan Margard as the editor of the Sandscribes. We are all so grateful for her many years of dedicated service.

Craig Peer has appointed us, Jane Chidester and John Macko, to fill these big shoes. We have been the "keepers" of the Heidelberg Beach Web site (<http://www.TulipTreePress.com/hb.htm>) and the hope is to streamline the information publications. We will strive to have all information appear in both places. We update the Web site as news is submitted, and then will include all submissions in the following Sandscribes printing.

If you are not on the list to receive email notification when the Web site has been updated, and would like to be, send your email ID to HBAAdmin@TulipTreePress.com.

We are trying a couple of experiments in format with this newsletter, and encourage your feedback. As you can see we are trying a "two column" layout. We are also experimenting with this "fold over" mailing method to save the cost of envelopes and labels. Please send us comments (or news stories!)—our contact information is below in the "footer" of each page.

We expect to produce the next issue of the Sandscribes shortly after the May 22 Spring Work Day and Board Meeting.

Jane & John

Maggie Stone's Illness

Our dear neighbor Maggie Stone (56 Kentucky) is now under hospice care. Please keep her and her family in your thoughts during the coming weeks. If you would like to send her a card, the address is:

Maggie Stone
4274 Lake Harbor Way
Avon, OH 44011

Directory Updates

Addition:

Mary Chidester
30 Greenridge Lane
Powell, OH 43065
(18 West Virginia)
Home: (740) 548-0331
Work: (614) 418-8015

Changes:

Sheila and Richard Henderson
57200 Hidden Timbers
South Lyon, MI 48178
(62 Kentucky)
Home: (248) 486-4115

Valerie Yeager Murray
1135 By The Shore
Huron, OH 44839
(8 Pennsylvania)
Home: (440) 336-1073

Janet and Craig Peer
18692 Bennett Road
North Royalton, OH 44133
(52 Kentucky)
Cottage: (440) 967-3361

Winter 2003-2004 Tree Maintenance

In October 2003 the Board of Trustees approved \$4000 for our Annual Tree Maintenance work. It was completed in February and on budget.

When the Tree Committee did the "Fall Walk Through" with Baxter Tree Service, John Baxter did a thorough examination of all of the trees. As a result, we actually mapped out much of our Tree Maintenance for the 2004-2005 Winter season as well. We tried to do only "absolutely necessary" work this past winter, deferring what we could until next winter. To see lists of the completed and planned work, either contact Jane Chidester or visit the Heidelberg Beach Web site.

Jane Chidester
Chair

Mr. Brown's Blast Shelter Display Approved

This past winter there was a series of Public Hearings on the variance our neighbor, Donald Brown, requested from Vermilion Township to put a model bomb shelter near East Cleveland Road to show potential customers. Initially his request was denied by the Board of Zoning Appeals, but then he took his case to the Erie County Common Pleas court and the Vermilion Township Trustees accepted a settlement (having him move the shelter further back from the road and plant some trees). The Blast Shelter is now in place and on display.

Springtime Clean-up

There are always numerous jobs as the weather begins to break from winter. Many of our residents have already been working hard to clean up. Tires and trash were again removed from the beach and taken to the dump during the Vermilion Township Clean-up Days. Sticks and leaves have been raked up from the common areas. The early tasks of Spring are especially plentiful for the Foote family with the effort involved in beginning the frequent mowing. In particular, Carol Dunkle spent many long hours "taming" the weeds at the creek bank—and then planted flowers. Thank you to all!

Our Heidelberg Beach Community Clean-up day is coming up on **Saturday, May 22nd**. We'd like to encourage everyone (whenever you come to do your cottage season-opening) to pick up sticks around your place to make the mowing easier and

take a "trash walk" on the beach to help us clean up all of the sharp cans and other litter that has washed ashore. Thanks!

ODNR House Bill 218

An important piece of legislation currently moving through the Ohio House could significantly, permanently alter the landscape and privacy of Heidelberg Beach. At issue is the definition of state-owned land, claiming eminent domain rights for the land between the low and high water mark. The possibility exists that Heidelberg Beach could be opened to the public, including picnics by passing boaters. Every resident and vacationer that loves this place is urged to learn more and take action as they see fit, such as writing to their representatives or attending meetings. Literature is available from Harvey Foote (47 Kentucky) or you can contact the Ohio Lakefront Group at (440) 925-0148, or visit <http://www.ohiolakefrontgroup.com>.

Council on Christian Work and Worship Organization Meeting

Our committee will be meeting Memorial Day weekend, as usual, for the first of our organizational meetings to prepare for our summer worship services. At our last meeting it was decided that one committee member would volunteer to be "on duty" each Sunday to help with any last minute details. Please bring your summer calendars and be prepared to sign up!

We will gather at the pavilion on Saturday, **May 29th at 11 am**, if the weather permits. We will meet at our place, 45 West Virginia, if it doesn't.

We would also like remind our entire Heidelberg Beach family that Paul and Marian have been faithful servants for many years in planning and overseeing our summer worship services. They will officially retire from this labor of love at the end of the 2005 season. We would very much like to have someone in place to shadow them before that time so their wonderful ministry will continue.

Barb Tereshko
Chair

Congratulations to Our Artists!

At the second annual Art Show of the Friends of the Ritter Library held in April, we had several winners.

- Kathleen Foote (6 Pennsylvania) won third prize for her watercolor
- Don Seymour (95 Ohio) received second prize for his photography
- Tom Dunkle (2 Pennsylvania) received an honorable mention in applied art for his wood carving

Pest Patrol Report

Even though he was a few cottages shy of the 15 cottage required, Dan of Pest Patrol kindly has agreed to provide his "package plan" at the \$90 rate (\$80 if signed up in 2003). The first of four exterior sprayings was completed Monday, April 26th

If any cottages still want to join up, there is still time: contact Dan at (800) 847-4111.

To review what the cottages and Heidelberg Beach will receive:

- Four exterior sprayings in April, June, August, and October. These treatments cover the complete exterior of each cottage.
- Free ant control for the first year, if requested.
- A free termite inspection for each cottage, if requested.
- Four free sprayings of all six Heidelberg Beach community structures: Pavilion, Sunset Bench roof, Bridal Bench roof, Pump House, Promenade Barn and Mailbox roof.

New Promenade Benches

The new plastic lumber bench on the Promenade (the "Bridal Bench") held up very well over the last year and seems to be well-liked by our community. This donation was very much appreciated!!!

The hope of this "experiment" was to see if the community would like this type of material and confirm that it would eliminate our maintenance issues with the promenade benches. Since it appears to have been a success, others are encouraged to help with this effort. So far, we would like to give a big "Thank You" to:

- Jane Chidester and John Macko (82 Indiana) who have donated two additional plastic

lumber benches to replace the "Sunset Benches", the pair of benches under cover on the west end of the Promenade.

- The Corrigan (89 Michigan) and the O'Dougherty (94 Ohio) families have teamed up to donate a Promenade bench. Thank you so much, Betsy & Tom, Cathy & John, Mary & Neil!!!

These benches will be the same style and color as the existing "Bridal Bench."

If any other person or group would like to purchase a bench for the beach this year, the opportunity exists to get in on this order and save shipping expense and transportation effort. The benches are roughly \$500 apiece. If interested, contact Jane or John (who are coordinating the effort) using any of the methods listed at the bottom of this page.

Minutes from the Heidelberg Beach Board of Trustees Meeting April 24, 2004

Present: Craig Peer (presiding), Dick Beck, Harvey Foote, Linda Glaviano, Rick Herwerden, Bill Hertzler, John Macko, Barclay Rohrbaugh and Char Schuman.

Excused: Carol Dunkle, Sheila Henderson and Jim Schneider.

Guest: Rev. Paul Rohrbaugh

Prayer: Rev. Rohrbaugh opened the meeting with a prayer.

Minutes of the previous meeting: Minutes for the October 18 and November 8, 2003 Board meetings were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report: Char Schuman reported that tax statements would be sent out at the beginning of June.

Old Business:

Pest Control: John Macko distributed a report concerning the proposed "package plan" for 15 cottages or more to get a special rate for pest control. Pest Patrol has agreed to go ahead and give cottages a rate of \$90.00 (or \$80.00 if signed up in 2003) even though the 15-cottage commitment was

not attained. The service will include 4 exterior sprayings in April, June, August and October, free ant control and termite inspection (upon request) for the first year and four free sprayings of all six Heidelberg Beach community structures.

ODNR House Bill 218: Harvey Foote distributed literature concerning the on-going effort to pass House Bill 218. He reported that he has attended several meetings in the area and that the Lake Front Group continues to lobby strongly for this bill that clarifies the demarcation between public and private property consistent with property owners' deeds (most of which use the low water mark). Many issues are involved and there is heavy lobbying by several environmental groups against passage. It is important that members send letters to their state representatives concerning passage of House Bill 218. Literature can be obtained from Harvey or from the ohiolakefrontgroup.com.

Committee Assignments: Craig Peer read a letter from Joan Margard. Joan indicated in the letter that she wished to resign as chair of the Publicity Committee and editor of the Sandscribes. The Heidelberg community has appreciated Joan's work with the Sandscribes and her resignation was accepted with regret. Craig appointed Jane Chidester and John Macko on an interim basis.

Rick Herwerden was added to the Beach and Bank Committee.

Committee Reports:

Trees: A detailed report compiled by the Tree Committee Chair, Jane Chidester, was distributed. The report summarized the Tree Maintenance schedule for 2003-2004 and 2004-2005.

New Business:

Rev. Paul Rohrbaugh presented an idea for an addition to worship services. At the end of last year, he had proposed to the Worship Committee that a bell be placed near the pavilion to be rung before services. The bells would not only announce services, but would also remind members of the rich history of Heidelberg Beach. Since then, he has received offers for three different bells from other Heidelberg Beach members. Rev. Rohrbaugh asked if it was possible to find a way to use all three bells. He also suggested that it would be a good idea for a

Board member to be on the committee that coordinates the placement of the bells if his idea was approved.

Rev. Rohrbaugh's proposal was approved unanimously. Barclay Rohrbaugh was appointed to sit on the committee. It was suggested that the bells be placed on the northwest corner of the pavilion. The committee will decide on the correct language (according to Heidelberg donation policies) for a plaque that goes along with the bells.

Vermilion Township Spring Cleaning Day: John Macko let members know that Vermilion Township spring-cleaning day is set for May 7-8. This is a chance to get rid of large items that are no longer wanted. This information is available on the Web site. To get to the disposal site, take Route 6 east to Barnes Road. Go right on Barnes. Go over the railroad tracks and over Route 2. Turn left on Stanley Road and look for the big white barn.

Spring Workday: Spring Workday Day was scheduled for Saturday, May 22. It will begin at 9:30 am with coffee and donuts in the Pavilion. Work assignments will be arranged at that time

Nominating Committee: Barclay Rohrbaugh, Bill Hertzler and Linda Glaviano were appointed to serve on the Nominating Committee. Craig Peer reported that Jim Schneider does not wish to run for another term. This will mean that a new Real Estate Agent will need to be appointed.

New Benches: Jane Chidester and John Macko offered to donate two more plastic lumber benches. The benches would be the same as the one donated last summer. The two new benches would replace the benches that are presently in the Sunset Bench area. Jane and John volunteered to take care of all the arrangements and coordinate the project. If other members would also like to donate benches, they can contact any Board member or John and Jane. Char Schuman (Barclay Rohrbaugh) moved that their proposal be accepted with thanks. It was accepted unanimously.

Next Meeting and Adjournment: The next Board meeting will be held on May 22 at 1:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Glaviano,
Secretary

**Heidelberg Beach Association
Board of Trustees & Committees**

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	Carol Dunkle	2006
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	John Macko	2005

Before the Annual Meeting in July, please review your membership assignment(s) and confirm to the Committee Chair your continued interest in serving.

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