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Heidelberg Beach
Vermilion, Ohio

August 6th, 2008



Mid-Summer Update

The Ad-hoc Committee proposals have all be updated as a result of the July 19th Town Hall Meeting. Please see detailed article below.

Coming quickly is the **Community Picnic on August 9th at 5:30 PM at the Pavilion**. It is a Chicken Roast and Pot luck—please bring your own plates, silverware, and a dish to share.

Reminder: The **Annual Membership Meeting is Saturday, August 30th at 10:00 AM** at the Pavilion. A **Board of Trustees Meeting** will immediately follow.

Jane & John

Final Proposals from the Ad-hoc Committees Available

As a result of the July 19th Town Hall Meeting, each of the Ad-hoc committee's proposals have been modified slightly. The final versions that will be voted upon at the Annual Meeting on August 30th are available now for your review on the community Web Site www.TulipTreePress.com/hb.htm.

Since only minor changes were made, the proposals will not be re-printed and mailed prior to the Annual Meeting. We are making a conscious effort to contain costs. The changes are summarized below. If you still want a copy, and cannot access the Web site, just let us (Jane & John) know.

At the Annual Meeting you'll receive ballots for the Building Rules & Regulations and the Assessments—vote FOR or AGAINST. For the By-Laws proposal, we will re-print the entire document with the interleaved items up for a vote so that you can check the individual FOR and AGAINST boxes.

Summary of the changes:

- **Building Rules & Regulations:** There were a few changes in wording to clarify the mechanism for approving building plans as discussed in items #2, 3, 6, and 20. Language was added to item #26 indicating that "natural fences" (bushes, etc.) were also not permitted to fence in lots.
- **By-Laws:** There was a small wording addition to indicate that "fractional lots" have "fractional votes" and that a majority (or quorum) would be 51 lots.
- **Assessments:** New cover letter explaining that only one option is being presented for vote (the former Option #2).

You should have already received your Proxy forms from Linda Glaviano. If for some reason you did not, you can print a copy from the Web Site www.TulipTreePress.com/hb.htm.

New "Community Dialog" Web Page

We have added a new Web Page entitled "Community Dialog" on our Web Site www.TulipTreePress.com/hbdialog.htm.

We have received feedback that Association Members would like an opportunity to post letters and comments for the community to read. This is very similar to other Web site's "blogging" areas. Since creating a blog section takes quite a bit of programming work, we are implementing this less expensive solution of providing a separate Web Page. If this works out well, and it is a useful function for the community, we can consider an actual blog sometime later.

For now, please send anything you would like to be posted to HBAdmin@TulipTreePress.com.

What to do with Large Trash Items?

We continue to have difficulty with having large items (like mattresses, bookcases, furniture) being left down by our dumpsters. These items will not be taken by our trash pick up service. They are then left for one of our residents to dispose of properly.

If you have large items to dispose of, please consider one of these options:

- Offer the items to your neighbors by sending us an email and we'll post your items. Or, place the items outside your cottage with a sign on them (but please do not put them out and then leave).
- Take them to the Huron Goodwill (right behind the Huron Dairy Queen and next to the Drug Mart). They accept all types of items during regular business hours. See their Web Site: www.sbagoodwill.org/donations.htm
- Donate them to Habit for Humanity by either taking the items to the ReStore location on Rt. 250 on specified days and times, or call for FREE pick up service. See their Web Site: www.firelandshabitat.org/restore/index.php
- Twice a year in May and September, Vermilion Township offers FREE dump days.

The September day is coming soon! The disposal site will be open on **Friday, September 12th** from 7:30 AM to 3:30 PM. Large refuse and appliances are accepted at no charge. Specifically prohibited are oil, construction materials, and yard waste.

To get to the disposal site, take Route 6 east to Barnes Road. Right on Barnes. Go over the railroad tracks and over Route 2. Left on Stanley Road, and look for the big white barn. For questions, call the Vermilion Township Clerk's Office at (440) 967-3251.

Again, please help us get the word out to families and friends that use our beautiful property.

Erie County Water Lines Leak 30% of Water

There was an interesting article in the Sandusky Register recently about water line leakage. Since we've also had difficult leaks to find here at

Heidelberg Beach, thought it would be interesting to share the article, which is quoted in full here:

Erie County's water lines are leaking a million gallons of water a day, enough water to fill an Olympic-sized swimming pool with almost 340,000 gallons to spare.

County officials, however, hope a new round of repairs will stem the tide of water escaping from undetected leaks.

The figures came out as part of the bi-monthly report by the Erie county Department of Environmental Services to the Erie County Commission.

To help, the Erie County Department of Environmental Services spent about \$20,000 to hire Underground Utility Services Inc., of Marion, county Sanitary Engineer Jack Meyers said.

By sealing up the system and halving the loss, the county could save an estimated \$615,000 a year in money spent to buy water, helping his department's budget "tremendously," Meyers said.

Underground Utility Services Inc. uses sonar technology to detect previously unknown leaks in the water lines, Meyers said. County work crews are repairing them one by one, he said.

So far, Underground Utility Services' workers have been spot on, with county crews finding leaks wherever the company has traced them, Meyers said.

"It's been really impressive work that they've done for us," he said.

The county buys its water, about 4 million to 5 million gallons a day, from Sandusky, Huron and Vermilion, Meyers said.

About 30 percent of the water leaks out of the system before it gets to residents' faucets.

Scare for Harvey Foote

Harvey Foote (47 Kentucky) was hospitalized in early June for extremely high potassium levels induced by a medication change. His medication has been adjusted and he is doing great (as you can see when he rides by on his mower!).

Meg Chidester Marries at Heidelberg Beach Promenade Ceremony



On Saturday, August 2nd, Meg Chidester, daughter of John & Marilyn Chidester (67 Kentucky) married Donald Bovinett during a lakefront ceremony. Gratefully the weather held for the weekend of festivities. The happy couple is honeymooning at the Great Wolf Lodge and then the Kalahari Resort before returning home to Mt. Vernon. Thank you to all of the residents at Heidelberg Beach for their patience with the influx of activity, and the support and well wishes to the family!

Concerns for Gayle Montgomery

Gayle Montgomery (27 W. Virginia) took a bad fall in June and broke both of her wrists. She is recovering well after lots of inconvenience!

Sister Lynne and brother-in-law Jim Reutener were visiting last week—it was wonderful to see them back at Heidelberg Beach. And good news with Lynne, she is continuing to do well after completing her breast cancer treatments.

Liz Rohrbaugh Wins Emmy!

Elizabeth Rohrbaugh (Myers), daughter of Jane & James Rohrbaugh (19 W. Virginia), won an Emmy in November for the best National Public Service Announcement Campaign which she developed, directed, and edited. It was about HIV communicability and HIV information for MTV. She was even photographed with her Emmy in front of the known Screen Actors Guild background. Congratulations Liz!

Condolences for Corrigan Family

Our sincere sympathy goes out to Mary Corrigan (89 Michigan) on the recent loss of her father, Terry Keith, on June 22nd.

Perseid Meteor Shower August 12th

For the amateur astronomers among us, note that the Perseids will be most visible the night of August 12th (after midnight—so technically it would be August 13th!).

Minutes from the Heidelberg Beach Board of Trustees Meeting June 22nd, 2008

Present: W. Hertzler, R. Nehls, M. Chidester, C. Dunkle, B. Rohrbaugh, J. Corrigan, J. Kramer, D. Castele, S. Henderson

Absent/Excused: B. Chidester, J. Chidester, L. Glaviano

Opening: The meeting was called to order by President Hertzler and opened with prayer.

Minutes: Nehls moved that the secretary's report be approved as received. Castele seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report: Roger Nehls announced that all tax assessments have been paid. Rohrbaugh moved, Chidester seconded that the treasurer's report be accepted. Motion passed unanimously. Roger asked that all outstanding bills due before the end of this fiscal year be forwarded to him. It was announced that D. Castele will oversee the yearly audit.

Committee Reports:

Real Estate: Mary Chidester announced that Ken Stone had assigned his lease to his trust. Ken is

trustee with his daughters Beth Bodnar and Molly Richeson becoming trustees upon his death. Chidester moved, Kramer seconded the motion to consent to the lease assignment. Motion passed.

Grounds: Bill Hertzner announced that Liquid Weed and Feed had been applied to the grass on the Promenade.

Nominating Committee: Sheila presented the following slate of nominees for the board.

- Dick Castele
- Bill Chidester
- Jim Dumke
- Dick Henderson

Henderson moved, Rohrbaugh seconded that these nominees be presented for election at the Annual Meeting in August. Motion passed.

Christian Work and Worship/Social: Barclay announced that all preaching assignments for services from June 29th through August 31st have been filled. The committee has accepted the responsibility of providing ‘treats’ for the fellowship hour after the Sunday services. Rosalie Nehls will coordinate this. Anyone interested in helping should contact her. Upcoming dates for other fellowship activities are as follows:

- Sunday, July 6th—Bring canned goods to church
- Saturday, July 12th—2nd annual Heidelberg Beach Golf Outing—See Craig Peer for tee times
- Sunday, August 3rd—Bring canned goods to church
- Saturday, August 9th—Heidelberg Beach Chicken Roast and Pot Luck Picnic 5:30 p.m. Chicken and beverages will be provided. Leaseholders are asked to bring a side dish or dessert and table service. Donations will be accepted to defray costs.

Old Business:

Ad Hoc Committee Reports:

Building Rules and Regulations: With sincere thanks and appreciation to the committee, Henderson presented the proposed Building Rules and Regulations to be presented to the membership at the July Town Meeting and Annual Meeting in August. After discussion, Nehls moved and Rohrbaugh seconded that the Building Rules and Regulations be accepted with additions and revisions. Motion passed. (It was suggested that at the Annual Meeting this document would be accepted or rejected as a ‘package’ and not approved item by item.) It was recommended that a letter be included with the ‘mailing’ of proposed Building Rules and Regulations. The letter would explain that any questions or comments would be welcome at the Town Meeting and/or people could contact Sheila Henderson.

Assessments: Jack Corrigan presented the current tax and assessment process as well as alternative options. Corrigan moved, Castele seconded that the current process and three alternate options will be drafted and mailed to the membership for presentation at the July 19th Town Meeting. Motion passed. From the discussion at the Town Meeting the two most viable options will be determined and those two options will be presented to the membership for vote at the Annual Meeting.

Bylaws: Jack Kramer gave much credit and thanks to the committee members. He presented the proposed Bylaw changes/amendments. Kramer moved, Castele seconded that the proposed bylaws be accepted with amendments.

The proposals from all three subcommittees will be mailed to all leaseholders prior to the Town Meeting.

Linda Glaviano and Jane Chidester will coordinate that effort.

Next meeting: The Board will meet following the July 19th 10:00 a.m. Town Meeting.

New Business: There was no new business.

Adjournment: Kramer moved, Rohrbaugh seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Sheila Henderson for Linda Glaviano
Secretary

**Minutes from the Heidelberg Beach
Board of Trustees Meeting
July 19th, 2008**

A brief, informal meeting of the Board of Trustees followed the Town Hall Meeting that was held on July 19th at 10:00 AM.

Chairs of the Ad Hoc Committees for Building Rules and Regulations, By-Laws and Assessment were asked to have their committees meet to incorporate revisions to their proposals as suggested during the Town Hall Meeting. In order to have these revisions available to Association members before the August 30 Annual Meeting, a deadline of August 1 was established. Revised proposals will be sent to Jane Chidester.

Voting procedures at the Annual Meeting were also discussed. It was decided that the ballot normally used for voting for Trustees will also be used to vote on the proposals recommended by the Building Rules and Regulations and Assessment Ad Hoc Committees. The written proposal submitted by the By-Laws Ad Hoc Committee will be used as the ballot for this committee's report.

The next Board of Trustees meeting will follow the Annual Meeting on August 30.

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda Glaviano
Secretary