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A Message from the Board

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Another successful summer at Preston Village!

The past few months have seen some exciting changes in the Village. The most noticeable include the fountain in the pond and the Welcome to Preston Village sign installed at the Circle. Both projects have gotten rave reviews from our residents. A few other improvements include moving some hardly used benches from Circle on the Green to the pond, which are now frequently used to enjoy the view. The fence along Davis Drive was in dire need of repairs and a new paint job to avoid further deterioration. A crash bar locking system was installed on the bathroom door, so hopefully we will no longer have problems with that. The beautification Committee has been hard at work and their efforts are evident everywhere you look. The hiring of Cary off-duty Police Officers for security has worked out well but there have been a few unexpected side effects. The swim team ended up with over 130 kids and had an undefeated season. The social committee had a few summer events, but the best are still to come. Please remember to sign up on the PV website & friend us on Facebook for the most recent news and events. If you are not getting the neighborhood E-blasts, sign up with your updated email address at www.PrestonVillage.com

Committees: The response to our request for committee members has been great! So many new and longtime residents alike are stepping up to help in our effort to breathe new life into Preston Village. We still have many areas where we could use a few extra hands, so if you would like to join one of our existing committees or have an idea to start a new one please let us know!

Social Committee – We have had several pool successful pool parties and DJ on the Green events over the summer, and now are gearing up for a full fall season to include, the Teen Movie night in September and the Dog Walk, Village Party and Club sign up in October. We are also planning a New Year’s Eve Party for 2014, so mark your calendars now. Refer to www.PrestonVillage.com for the full calendar of events.

Welcoming Committee –Is going strong. The next newcomer’s event will take place on September 20th at the picnic shelter. If you are new to The Village or just looking to reconnect with your neighbors, please join us at any or all of the Welcoming Committee events. In October, join us at the Club Sign Up event, whether you are into running, gardening, cards or cooking , we will hook you up with group of like-minded neighbors. Go to the PV website for updated details.

Architectural Committee – The ACR Guidelines have not been updated for over 10 years, so the Board and the ARC committee members are working together to review and make changes to the guidelines as needed for today and moving forward into the next decade. The new software has been working well, giving committee members and residents alike the ability to submit, scan, review, comment and approve requests on line. This has streamlined the process for all involved. Check it out on www.PrestonVillage.com.

Pool Committee- We are so fortunate to have our very own pool in Preston Village and this year, like the last several since we acquired the pool from Prestonwood Country Club has been a great success. While we did have a few maintenance items attend to, most of the funds this year went toward purchases everyone could enjoy. In the beginning everything received a fresh coat of paint, we purchased new larger shade umbrellas and reinstalled the much missed water fountain, new pool toys were added and fans were installed under the pool house. Don't forget the pools hours changed as of August 25 and the pool will close for the season on September 22.

The Beautification Committee– Working closely with Greenscape the Beautification Committee has been tackling some tough jobs. There are many areas of the village that have been overlooked throughout the years, so the committee has their hands full. They walk the neighborhood on a regular basis with an eye out for areas in need of attention and/or improvement and give regular reports to the Board which are passed on to the Greenscape. If you see an area in the Village in need of “Beautification” please let us know so we can take a look at it and come up with a plan.

Neighborhood Watch- You may have noticed more of a police presence in the Village over the past several months, this is because we have hired a security team utilizing Town of Cary Off-Duty Police Officers, who patrol the neighborhood in uniform, several nights a week. This has been a great deterrent against trespassers and vandals as was our intent, but there has been an unexpected consequence. As they are Police Officers, whether on duty or off, they are required to take down the name, address and phone number of any and all persons they encounter during their normal course of duty. It has recently come to our attention that those names are entered into the Town of Cary Police data base as a “field interview” and/or “trespasser” and will remain there for an undetermined time.

It is very important for all residents to understand this policy and be aware of the” dawn to dusk” rules governing the PV Common areas.

Swim Team – The Preston Village Tiger Sharks had another banner season, they went UNDEFEATED in 2014, pretty impressive for a team only three years old! Under the direction of Dee dee Cale and Pete Maiorano, along with a dedicated group of parents, there were over 130 kids participating on this formidable team and they have asked me to give a shout out thanking all the PV residents for their support and encouragement!

Real Estate Tidbit: The market is still HOT! As of 7/19/14, there were six single family homes on the market in the Village, with an average list price of \$577,800 (\$156 ppsf) , three under contract, and year to date, twenty had closed, with average closed price of \$597,850 (\$157 ppsf). In Lakeridge, there were two townhomes on the market with average list price of \$297,200 (\$131 ppsf) one under contract and YTD six had closed with average closed price of \$292,125 (\$133 ppsf) To see the individual listings, check out the Real Estate tab on www.PrestonVillage.com.

As always, thank you for your support and remember all comments and/or suggestions are always welcome.

Margaret Struble

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