

Hedingham News

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Mission Statement

The intention is to project a positive image of Hedingham, provide news and information to all residents in Hedingham without editorializing or taking sides.

It's a Social Thing!

Hedingham is off to a swinging start this year! With well over 150 youngsters attending the Easter Picnic at Linville Ridge Park, it was a wonderful success. While participants had to contend with a light sprinkle, a great time was still had by all. There was Easter egg decorating, sack races and the egg hunt plus a special appearance by none other than Peter Cottontail. Thanks to all those who joined in the fun. Next year will be even better!

Don't forget these upcoming social events planned in Hedingham:

- ❖ April 19, 2008 - 8:00AM-Noon -
Hedingham Spring Yard Sale (Rain Date is April 26th)
- ❖ May 24, 2008 - Noon-3:00PM -
Hedingham Memorial Day Pool Opening (Lunch served promptly at noon) - Willow Oak Pool
- ❖ July 5, 2008 - Noon-3:00PM -
Hedingham 1st Annual 4th of July Picnic (BYOBasket) Dessert and Drinks will be provided - Willow Oak Pool
- ❖ October 25, 2008 - 4:00PM-8:00PM -
Hedingham 2nd Annual Fall Festival and 1st Annual Chili Cookoff - Willow Oak Park
- ❖ December 5, 2008 - 6:00PM-9:00PM -
Hedingham 1st Annual Tree Lighting Holiday Party - Southall Athletic Center

The Social Committee is still seeking volunteers to help out with these fun events. There are openings for coordinators for the **HEDINGHAM NIGHTS OUT** events recently approved by the Board. If you're interested in assisting with community social events, please email Social Committee Chair Jennifer Taylor at Krazykeeblerjen@aol.com, or call her at **250-3259**.

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Notes from the President

As we continue to move forward with the New Year, your Board of Directors is excited about the future of our community. The Traffic Calming project on Eagle Trace is in progress and is providing the pleasing aesthetic look as designed. Not all the plantings are completed yet, but they should be installed within a week or so.

A new Smith machine has been ordered for the Athletic Club to replace the damaged machine. All new tennis court lights have been ordered and will be installed to provide residents the opportunity for evening play.

The Captain of the 23rd District of the Raleigh Police Department reports that Hedingham continues to be one of the safest communities in Raleigh. To keep it this way, the Raleigh Police On-Site Command Unit bus will be in various parts of the community from time to time. This gives us direct access police services.

We clean up graffiti as fast as possible, but it is a costly process. We as a community must make a concerted effort to catch the responsible vandals. If you observe any suspicious activity, please take the initiative to call 911 (you can request to remain anonymous), and then call David Bunch at 231-9050, ext. 3 during the day, or York Security at 863-8090 during the night. Please be assured that we will prosecute to the full extent of the law.

Lastly, I wish to thank those residents who volunteer their time to help on our committees. We need more help, especially with the Social Committee that organizes our wonderful community events.

Remember, Board Meetings are held the second Wednesday evening of each month. I encourage each of you to attend.

Rob Muccio, President

Hi-Milers On the Go

After an active winter, the Hi-Milers look forward to spring events including attending a Manheim Steamroller Concert, a Riverdance performance and a Mudcats baseball game to name a few. Anyone age 55 or older is welcome to join the Hi-Milers. Contact Dennis Blankenship at 231-7626.

Hedingham Community Website

Hedingham.org is the only official and recognized web site by the Hedingham Community Association Board of Directors and its management company. The Hedingham Community Association is not responsible for the validity of information obtained, or the lack of information being correctly processed, on any other web site. Please contact George Cooper at 919-553-9667, with any concerns you may have in this matter.

Community Association Director Earns Industry Professional Designation

George Cooper Jr., recently joined the skilled group of community association managers who have earned the Association Management Specialist (AMS) designation from the Community Associations Institute (CAI). Cooper is one of more than 3,000 managers nationwide who have earned this level of professional recognition in the community association field. This designation provides standards for association management that can give homeowners and boards confidence in their representative's knowledge and ability to provide professional service. Congratulations George!

DID YOU KNOW?

New state legislation requires communities to offer an appeals process for residents when covenant violations result in fines. The new covenant appeals committee is being formed now. If you would like to participate, contact George Cooper at 553-9667.

As a safety measure, golf carts are no longer allowed in the parking lot at the Golf Club.

If you wish to purchase and use a rain barrel, you must get approval from the modification committee, maintain compliance with community covenants in the placement of it, and use the rain barrel offered by the City of Raleigh.

Residents who wish to advertise an Open House must pay a \$25 fee, use tasteful signs and remove them promptly after the event to get the fee refunded.

York Security personnel are issuing parking tickets to illegally parked cars within the community. Parking violations are attributed to the street address where they occur and carry the same weight as a covenant violation.

Sounds Like a Good Idea

Noise is a concern for every resident. Because we live in a community, it's important to understand that some degree of noise is to be expected. At the same time, all residents must consider the consequences of their noisy behavior. To keep everyone happy and maintain civility among neighbors, the Hedingham Community Association asks that you take a few simple steps to reduce or eliminate annoying noise.

Be kind and respectful. A little common courtesy makes a big difference. Keep your music and television at reasonable levels. Do your vacuuming before bedtime. Before remodeling, check with the community manager about acceptable hours and days of the week that work can be done. If you put in hardwood or tile flooring, use sound-reducing underlayment. Move noisy appliances away from walls and put sound-absorbing material underneath *before* your neighbors complain.

Keep a log. If you're disturbed by a noise problem, note the times and the nature of the noise. Ask the community manager to listen and verify the noise as well. There may be a pattern in the noise that can be adjusted.

Visit your neighbor. If your neighbor is the source of the noise, try a friendly chat. Sometimes people just don't realize how noise is affecting others. People are usually considerate once they realize they're disturbing others. If your neighbor knocks on your door, listen politely and be willing to make changes to reduce your own noise.

Contact the community manager. If a polite request doesn't change your neighbor's noisiness, it may be time to ask the community manager for help. Have your noise log ready, including notes on your attempts to solve the problem yourself.

Reducing noise sounds like a good idea. A quiet, peaceful community, relatively speaking, is a happy community.

Lifeguards needed – Must be at least 15 years old and be American Red Cross Certified (Lifeguard & CPR). Will work from Memorial Day – Labor Day. To apply, call (919) 422-6423. EOE M/F Drug-Free

A good neighbor is a fellow who smiles at you over the back fence but doesn't climb over it.

Arthur Baer

Heddingham Swim Team Registration Form

(Swim Team Registration will be April 12th & 19th 11am to 2pm, Swim Suit fittings both dates, fees required)
(Registrations & Fittings will be in the Aerobic Room at the Heddingham Athletic Center)

Parent(s) Name: _____

Address: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone Number: Home: _____ Work: _____ Cell: _____

Swimmer Name:	Date of Birth	Age:	Sex:	Suit Size (Completed by swim team committee)	T-Shirt Size
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Does your swimmer(s) participate in a year round swim program? Yes _____ No _____

How did you hear about the Swim Team? Heddingham News Letter Word of Mouth Flyer
Website Circle: Heddingham.com or Heddingham.org

Other: _____
(Your comments here are important for next seasons marketing)

Make checks payable to: Heddingham Swim Team - \$65.00/swimmer non-refundable fee
(Fee includes: swim suit, swim cap, t-shirt, trophy and end of season party)

Swim Suit Fittings will be held on April 12th and April 19th from 11:00am – 2:00pm in the Aerobics Room of the Athletic Center. Ordering these items as a group will save money for everyone. If you choose to order on your own, please be aware that it will cost more to order your Swim Suit(s) separately from the team order. If you miss either date please contact **Audrey Price: 3pricefamily@gmail.com or 919-231-1220** prior to April 30th to order a Swim Suit prior to the first Meet.

You must have a Heddingham Swim Team Swim Suit in order to swim on the team. No Exceptions!

Please note: Your swimmer(s) must be able to swim one length of the pool unassisted and must be a Heddingham resident to participate on the team.

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