

Mill Creek Estates Homeowners Association Newsletter



Summer 2007

From Our President: Wendy Carr

Summer Greetings! It's hard to believe summer is here already, but with the drizzle of rain the last week of school, it does feel familiar!! I want to thank those of you who made it to the 2007 Homeowners Association Annual Meeting in May. Also I want to thank everyone who took part in the meeting by voting on the revised Conditions, Covenants, and Declarations of the Mill Creek Estates Homeowners Association. And I also thank the Committee members who reviewed and made recommendations for the revisions to the CC&R's. Many hours have been spent updating our CC&R document so that everyone can enjoy the benefits of a beautiful Mill Creek Community. It is such a pleasure to live here and I am so thankful for all of the dedicated community members.

Enjoy your summer and remember to help protect your home if you are away by having a friend or neighbor keep your driveway and porch free of deliveries and papers and trim the hedges around the entrance to your home. If possible, install timers on indoor lights, and motion sensitive lights to the sides and back of your home.

With many home improvement projects being done in the summer, please remember to contact an Architectural Control Committee member prior to starting any exterior projects that may need to be approved by the committee. If you have any questions, please call a committee member or a Board member.

Our Annual Homeowners Picnic will be held Friday Evening, August 17th Highlands Park~6:30 PM.

Last summer we held our Annual Homeowners Picnic on a Friday night and found out that it worked well for everyone who attended...so we're going to have it again on a Friday night.

Friday, August 17th, 2007, join your neighbors at 6:30 p.m. at the Highlands Park for a fun time of BBQ, games, and prizes. Spend a couple hours catching up with friends and meet some new neighbors. Hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks will be provided, and we can all share a **potluck** of salads, side dishes and desserts.

For those who can make it,
please RSVP to Wendy Carr (425-379-9777)
by August 10th.

Bring the whole family and any game you'd like. You won't want to miss this fun time!! Many wonderful "door prizes" given away! See you at the Park!!!



Monument / Highlands Entrance

Our monument / entrance has been planted with colorful Impatiens flowers for summer. "Thank You" to our President, Wendy Carr!

To further enhance our main entrance, we're looking for interested Homeowners to check into pressure washing the bricks and re-painting our sign. Carole Davis has volunteered to help re-paintanyone interested in helping her, please contact either Carole Davis or Wendy Carr. One suggestion has been to remove Heather bushes, and re-plant for a new look.

Suggestions and help are welcome!!

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**May 7, 2007 Annual Meeting
Minutes In Brief:
"Revised CC&R's"**

Meeting opened 7:10 PM with 19 Homeowners present / 18 signed Proxies.

Presidents Welcome followed by motion to accept 2006 Minutes.

Treasures Report was given by Elaine Reas.

Current 5-6-07 balance \$

Motion was made to accept 2007 budget.

Old Business:

President Wendy Carr gave overview of past two Annual meetings, which lead us to the revision of our CC&R's. Concerns of traffic speed on 161st were discussed. Larry Davis had a report from City of Mill Creek regarding "calming devices" and the process one has to follow. Suggestions were speed bumps/ raised crosswalk/ radar speed monitors. Motion was made to look into this concern. The Board asked for a committee. Anton Rakovchuk and Greg Davarpanah volunteered.

New Business:

CC&R Revision. CC&R revision has been an open process from May 2006 to present, asking for Homeowner input. Final version was sent to Attorney . This final version was discussed at 3 informal meeting for Homeowners in April 2007. Motion was made to table the Revised CC&R's for 3 months. It was asked to shorten the time to 1 month. Vote was taken by attending Homeowners and Proxies. Yea=13 Nay=25. Motion failed. Motion was made to accept CC&R Revision. Vote was taken by attending Homeowners and Proxies / Ballots.

Approve = 31 Disapprove= 9

Five Homeowners have not placed their vote, Their vote will be collected by the Secretary Tuesday, May 8th.

Board and Officers:

Larry Davis was nominated to run another 3 years. Greg Davarpanah nominated himself. A secret ballot was taken.

Larry Davis = 26 votes (9 present/ 17 Proxies)

Greg Davarpanah = 7 votes

Larry will serve another 3 year term.

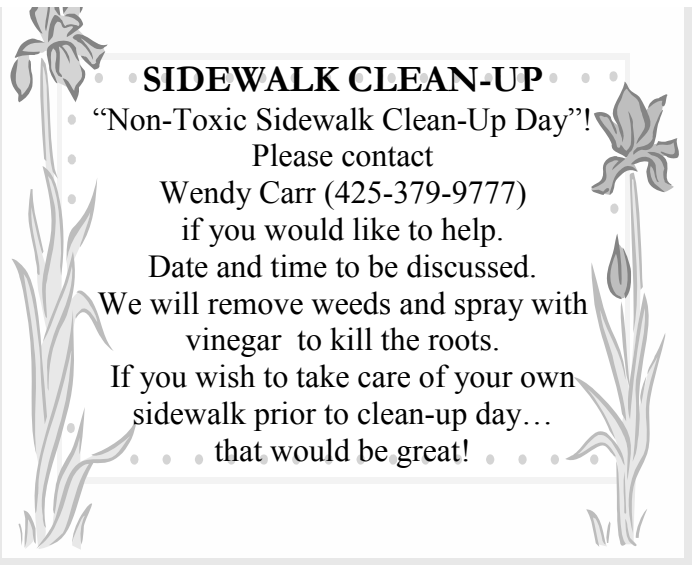
Meeting went overtime and some Homeowners left prior to adjournment.

President/Secretary/Treasurer/Architectural Committee positions to be discussed at a later date. It was asked if anyone was interested in ACC to contact the Board.

Greg & Monica Zografos drew the door prize.

Meeting adjourned 9:10 PM

Carole Davis / Secretary to MCEHA.



SEATTLE HILL ROAD CORRIDOR STUDY

Several Highlands residents attended a meeting May 31st at the Mill Creek City Council Chambers as part of the Citizen Advisory Group (CAG) formed in recent weeks to participate in a Seattle Hill Road Corridor Study (SHRC) mandated by the City of Mill Creek.

The City has contracted with the consulting firm KPG to study the impact of traffic congestion, noise, speeding and safety on neighborhoods along Mill Creek Road and Seattle Hill Road as far east as 35th Ave. SE. As part of this study, KPG will be conducting noise level tests at 11 or more locations the week of June 11 to determine actual decibel levels, which they will then correlate with traffic volume at various times of the day and night.

Those interested may view online all information developed thus far at: www.cityofmillcreek.com/SHRCtraffic_noiseStudy.htm. Other contacts are Scott Smith, Assistant City Engineer and coordinator of the Corridor Study or any of the Highlands members of the CAG.

They are: Elizabeth Bennet, Greg Davarpanah, Bob McElhose, Elaine Reas. Phone numbers and email addresses are in the 2007 Homeowners' Directory. Scott Smith may be reached at 425-921-5708 or by email at: scott@cityofmillcreek.com.

The SHRC and the CAG plan to meet again June 28 and August 2, both meetings will be held at 6:00 pm in the City Council Chambers. The meetings are open to all interested citizens. In addition, the CAG will meet separately on June 18, July 9, and August 13 in the City Council Chambers at 7:30 pm. All interested residents are urged to attend and express your concerns.