

The Settings SUN Summer 2023 Newsletter

MOTHER MALLARD AND HER CHICKS AT THE POND

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IT'S SUMMERTIME!

Dear Neighbors,

It has been a pleasure serving as the President for the last year. I have assumed the role of Treasurer for the next year.

Chris Finkel has resigned from the board effective May 6, 2023. Chris has served as both Treasurer and Secretary during her two years and was instrumental in getting our social activities going again post COVID and continues to serve on the Social Committee. Thank you, Chris for your continued support to our community!!

Roynan Jones will be serving out the remainder of Chris's final year and will be taking over the President's position on the Roard

Here is an update on some the projects we have been working on:

We finalized our property management selection and will be continuing with First Service Residential. We will have a <u>new</u> community manager, **Evita Briceno** replacing Mark Hamiter. Evita was previously the assistant community manager at The Ramble for the past six years. She has already proven a huge asset during our annual election process. Please join me in welcoming Evita to The Settings!

The new Board has finalized our decision on the front gates and we will be communicating the details over the next few weeks. More details will emerge as to the timing, due to the lead time of certain parts/equipment. We are hopeful that this upgrade will allow us to keep the gates closed most of the time as many of you have expressed.

Lastly, we continue to have lots of construction throughout the community and with the warmer weather many walkers and animals around. Please use caution when driving in the neighborhood and adhere to our 25 MPH speed limit!!

Enjoy the beautiful summer!!

Regards,

Janice Johnston
Outgoing President

Happy Summer!!

It's my pleasure to be back on the Board, replacing Chris Finkel for the last year of her term. I want to thank Chris for serving as the HOA treasurer and then the secretary during her two years on the Board. Our community's success is reliant on our community of volunteers like Chris.

The new board, officers and committee leads/liaisons are as follows:

Roynan Jones – President, Social & Firewise

Jim Schorr – Vice President, Infrastructure

Lisa Antognoli – Secretary, Communications

Janice Johnston - Treasurer, Legal & Trail

Jana Simpson - DRB

Steve Kyryk - Landscape

Will Ferguson – Facilities

I'm excited about our new board along with having Evita as our property manager. I think we will have a productive and fun year.

Have a great summer!

Roynan

FOLLOWING ARE SOME PICTURES FROM THE ANNUAL MEETING AND THE GRANGE













Social Activities

The Spring Newsletter highlighted the variety of Social Activities planned for the year. Here is a reminder of upcoming events.

Drinks on the Porch (first Friday in warm months)

Location: Clubhouse Time: 5:00 to 6:30 PM July 7 August 4 September 1 October 6

Summer Potluck

Sunday, July 16 Time: 3:00 to 7:00 PM

We will have outside games and activities along with a Potluck

. How about a Hike!

Thursday, August 24

Hike TBD, tentatively in Old Fort area then

11:30 AM meet at Hillman Brewery in Old Fort for lunch. If you don't want to hike, just join us there.



Rained out June 22



Book Club

The Book Club meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month in the Clubhouse at 3:00 PM. All are welcome to attend. Please contact Rhonda Gramley if you are interested in attending.

The Book Club goes on hiatus in the summer and will resume meeting September 21, 2023. The book selection is to be determined.

New Friends of Charlie

Charlie would like to introduce a couple of his new friends.

Here is Luca (Gray). He is a one and a half year old Australian Labradoodle. He can be found at the playground daily! He also gets to travel to Spain with his family! Here is a picture from Spain.



And here are Rosco (left) and Riley (Rubino/McHarness).

Rocco (12) is a sweet boy who is very gentle with babies and will sit by your side all day if he had it his way. He's a bit awkward with other dogs but tolerates them.

Ripley (7) is high energy and loves everyone. She's a little too eager to meet other dogs and will probably bark in excitement when you pass by. Once she greets them though, she's fine.

Both are rescue mutts who enjoy watching the wildlife and neighbors walk by.



Tourist game June 29

New Pets in the Neighborhood

Meet the Antognoli clan pets. Joey (top) tends to be on the vocal side, especially when he sees other interesting dogs in the neighborhood. He is a rather social guy who wants to meet and make friends, although at times he seems so rambunctious he scares others away! Joey was rescued from a high kill shelter in South Carolina. He loves life to the fullest and is a gentle soul. Dom is a more reserved guy, and is really content sleeping in the sun and relaxing around the house. He has less interest in meeting other dogs and is content with his immediate family. Dom was rescued from Tennessee. Both Joey & Dom love their walks/hikes and will always tell you if wildlife has been on the trail beforehand as any good beagle will!



Sarah (left) was born in our 1938 barn in Pennsylvania. It seems her own cat family had abandoned her and our Springer Spaniel at the time adopted her and brought her to live with us. Bella (right) appeared one evening on our old farm in Pennsylvania. Her origin is unknown. She is considered a tortoise shell calico and gives so much love and seems so thankful for the life she found with us.

