

BAYBERRY COVE BULLETIN

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MANAGER'S CORNER

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ATTENTION OWNERS:

IF YOU NEED TO SPRUCE UP YOUR LAWN AND CURB APPEAL, PLEASE PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THE FOLLOWING ITEMS. LETTERS WILL CONTINUE TO BE SENT TO OWNERS THAT ARE NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE BAYBERRY COVE GUIDELINES FOR LAWN MAINTENANCE:

THIS IS JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER AS A NEWSLETTER ITEM!

PLEASE:

Remove dead flowers in flower pots and flower beds which would also include areas around your mailboxes.

Maintain your lawn throughout the year.

Clean the algae from the sides of your homes.

If your mailbox needs repairs, such as leaning posts, numbers are peeling off, or there are not numbers on your mailbox, please make the proper repairs.

Clean or re-stain your fence when needed.

Clean rust from your driveways and curbing in front of your home as needed.

Thank you for your attention to these details. For those homeowners that have already made these repairs and/or addressed the maintenance issues, your cooperation is much appreciated by the association.

Betsy Ellis, Association Manager

Residents Speak, Board Listens

Neighbors have expressed a need for more community activities and improvements. As a result, the following committees have been formed: Social Committee chaired by Ann Davis; Grounds Committee chaired by Bill Raetzke; and Communications Committee chaired by Bob Garrott. As usual, volunteers are needed to make these committees effective. Please join. Read more about some of the proposed activities inside.

THIS NEWSLETTER IS AN OFFICIAL FORM OF NOTIFICATION FOR THE ASSOCIATION

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Calendar

If you're looking for somewhere to go or something special to do, perhaps you'll enjoy one of these.

August 24

Art In the Park

Join our neighbor Colleen Hamlin, independent Stampin' Up demonstrator, for a morning of stamping fun in the Bayberry Cove picnic area. Free instructions and supplies. 9:30—10:30 a.m.

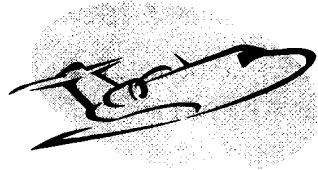
September 10—24

Big Band Concert Series at

Constant's Wharf Park on the waterfront each Sunday from 3—6 p.m. Suffolk Parks and Recreation (757)923-2360

September 8—10

Naval Air Station Oceana Air Show featuring the Blue Angels. Concerts, fireworks, and much more. Parking and admission free. Open to the public. (757)433-3131 or www.oceanaairshow.com



September 8—10

Hampton Bay Days in downtown Hampton. Seafood galore; entertainment featuring Charlie Daniels Band, Morris Day & The Times; fireworks. Free and open to the public. Parking fee. (757)727-1641

October 12—15

Suffolk Peanut Fest on old Suffolk airport grounds. Carnival, food, demolition derby, entertainment (Little River Band, Shely Wright) Admission is Free. Parking is \$7.00 (757)539-6751

Moving Forward At Bayberry Cove

Change is inevitable. Guided by concerns of some homeowners, there's much hope that the following changes will make a difference in the quality of life in Bayberry Cove.

• Social Com. Activities

The first impression is usually a lasting impression and we want to make each family moving into our community feel right at home in Bayberry Cove. All of the details have not been worked out, but plans are in the works for a Welcome Wagon to assist new families in making this important transition. The social committee will also organize other events and vote on the yard of the month

The Halloween parade will be held again this October. Make plans to join us.

For those of you who love to "deck the halls" and get in the Christmas spirit, an evening of caroling is probably your cup of hot apple cider. So tune up those vocal cords and join us for a "funtastic" time. Don't forget to bring the whole family along.

Ann Davis will lead the way in planning a series of block parties. Of course, this will require much community involvement. So for all of you looking for something new, different and exciting to do at "The Cove," your time will come.

• Communication

As chair of the communications committee, Bob Garrott will be responsible for maintaining the website, but if you're a "tekkie" and would like to volunteer, Bob would greatly appreciate it. Laura Fleming and Colleen Hamlin will continue to write the newsletter. Make sure you send Bob any communications you wish to publish in our newsletter or on our website.

• Grounds

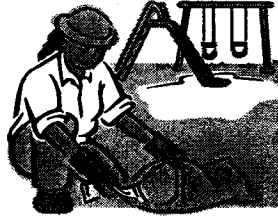
This group will make recommendations with regard to the entrance, park, and common areas of Bayberry Cove. Colleen is already working to improve the information board at the park entrance. GO COLLEEN!

Park Improvements On The Way

The Board of Directors and UPA Property Manager Betsy Ellis, met with Robert Batts from Bennett's Creek Landscaping at the larger park on July 10th for the renewal of the landscaping contract. Based on the concerns raised by several homeowners, we discussed the replacement of trees and shrubs at the entrances to the community and the placement of annuals, mulching of beds, the grass cutting schedule for the park and the perimeter grounds, and trash collection at the park. Some planting work must wait until fall, as transplants without irrigation won't survive during hot weather. We feel our concerns were well received and they are to be addressed in a revised contract to be submitted prior to our August Board meeting.

Among the items requested were for the landscape crews to

dump the park garbage cans weekly and replace liners in the garbage cans. We have already replaced the garbage cans and have a project pending to repair and stain the garbage receptacles. The Board asks that homeowners planning parties at the park please plan to remove their own refuse so that the cans don't sit full for several days and attract animals and insects.



During our discussion of weed control in the play areas, the Board asked Mr. Batts about control measures for the "sandspurs" in the park. Unfortunately, they are a native plant that's almost impossible to control with chemicals or pulling. During their summer growing

season, we recommend park visitors wear closed shoes to protect their feet.

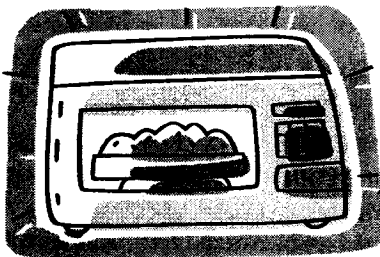
Mr. Batts is also preparing to submit a proposal for replacement of the playground borders, replacement of the sand over a liner, and bringing in top soil to fill the low-lying areas surrounding the playgrounds. If approved, it would be about five weeks before work begins and take about a week to complete. As always, schedules depend on the weather cooperating. We ask for your help to keep children away from the equipment and piles of new and used material during the work. A notice of the projected work schedule will be posted on the park bulletin board. Thank you.

Bob Garrott, *Grounds Chair*

ABOUT THE HOUSE

Microwave dirty inside?

Just put a glass of water in your microwave and heat for about one minute until the inside of the microwave is steamy. Then let the glass of water sit in the microwave for about 20 minutes with the door closed. The

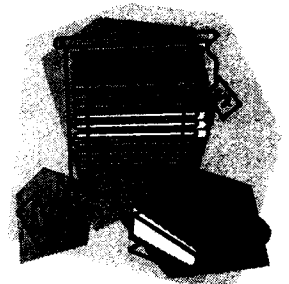


your microwave with very little elbow grease.

moisture condensing on the walls will soften the food residue. Now wipe off the residue with a sponge or paper towel. Voila! You've cleaned

Blinds Can Act As Dust Magnets

To keep dust from piling up quickly, use an antistatic spray on the window blinds right after you clean them.



Winter Prep Now?

Before you know it, these dog days of summer will be gone and winter will be here. September is usually the ideal month to begin to prepare for Ol' Man Winter. Start with the heating unit; inspect filters, pilot lights and burners. Clean and vacuum dust from vents and cold-air returns. And any time is a good time to test batteries in smoke and carbon monoxide detectors as well as check fire extinguishers.

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Safety Network

Halloween Safety Tips

Children may be involved in a variety of evening-time activities at the end of October and their safety is our number one concern. There are many things parents can do to help ensure their well-being while they are out and about. Insist that costumes are made of a flame retardant material. Add reflective tape or use flashlights or glo sticks to increase your child's visibility. Masks should not restrict vision or use makeup instead of a mask. Instruct your child not to open any candy until an adult has inspected it. Avoid homemade treats unless you know the person who made them. Young children should always have an adult with them. Stick to familiar neighborhoods. Travel in groups. *Remember, Suffolk codes require that only children up to 12 years of age can participate in Trick-or-Treating from 6–8 p.m.*

Football Turkey Chili Recipe

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2 tablespoons olive oil
1 large onion, chopped
1 tablespoon minced garlic
2 red bell peppers, cut into 1/4 inch dice
1 teaspoon minced jalapeno pepper
2 tablespoons chili powder
1 teaspoon ground cumin
1/2 teaspoon ground coriander
pinch ground cinnamon
4 cups diced (1/2 inch) cooked turkey
1 can (28 ounces) crushed tomatoes
1 can (16 ounces) dark-red kidney beans, drained and rinsed
1 cup beer
1/2 cup chopped parsley
1/2 cup pitted black olives, sliced
salt and pepper, to taste
sour cream, sliced scallions and grated Cheddar cheese for garnishes (optional)

- Heat oil in a large pan over medium heat. Add onion and garlic; cook, stirring for 5 minutes. Add red peppers and jalapeno; cook, stirring for 10 minutes. Stir in spices, cook over low heat for 2 minutes. Remove from heat and set aside.
- Stir in turkey, tomatoes, beans,

beer parsley and olives. Simmer over med-low heat for 12 minutes. (Do not boil.)

- Season to taste with salt and pepper. Garnish. ENJOY!



Association Fees Reminder

Remember that Homeowner's Association fees are required to be paid at designated times starting with the day of possession of the property, not the day of occupying the home.

We're on the web:
www.bayberrycove.org