

# Hidden Oaks News

Association Board Members: Connie Marler, Ruth Mundy, and Kirsten Harrison

The **Online Directory** will be coming soon. You must let a board member know if you do not want to be on it! Also, if you want access once it is online you will need to contact the web master for access.

The **Associations Annual Meeting** will be June 12<sup>th</sup> at 7PM at the Police Station on Zumbhel.

Do you want a "No Solicitation" window decal for your front door? Please contact Kirsten Harrison at 443.2373. Our Council Person Laurie Feldman has given us a supply of them! Thank you Laurie!

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## Association Ordinance Review

The Board met with John Benisch, Code Enforcement Manager for the city of St Charles, back in November to discuss ordinances/enforcement codes. This meeting and the actions to be taken are in the interest of keeping the neighborhood as a desirable area to move into. With the new developments around us and the market as it is we all need to pitch in to keep our neighborhood competitive! With this in mind these are some items we will be looking at to have completed this spring as the weather breaks and we all have more time to work on them.

- Power- wash any molding from siding

- Repair/ replace falling headers from garage door openings
- Trim bushes and trees- this is also a good safety measure
- Remove any dead trees
- Weed flower beds- the city code forbids weeds over 8
- There are to be no boats, RV's, Jet Ski's or similar parked on the road or driveway for longer than a 24-hour period this is to allow for loading up for a trip.
- There are to be no cars/trucks/ or similar sitting on blocks or in disrepair in the driveways or road.
- Any vehicle over 24000 pounds are not allowed to be parked on the road or in the

- driveways.
- Basketball hoops are not to be on the easement
- Any out buildings/ fences that are to be erected need to be approved by the Architectural Review Board (this includes any construction that you may be planning)

We do realize that it is winter and most of this cannot be done until the weather breaks. What we are asking for is to start making plans to work on these items when the weather does break. What can be done now, please go ahead! We will be working with John this spring to help get us all in compliance.

## Neighborhood Watch- Stepping up to the plate!

From a recent event in our neighborhood several residents stepped up to the plate to inform the police of odd people and vehicles in the neighborhood on the same day. We had a burglary towards the end of December that was reported to the police. This incident happened in the early evening and taking money and jewelry. The homeowners reported the incident to the police and a board member who then contacted several other residents. From this

sharing of information we had several in the neighborhood who then reported seeing a candy sales person- not licensed and a van with out of state plates.

This incident reminds us to be aware of whom you see in the neighborhood and report anything out of the norm. The police would rather come by and see what is up either way!

Here is a link to the St Charles Police Department Safety Tips:

[http://www.stcharlescacity.com/Administration/CityAdministrator/Departments/Police/Public Information/safety tips.asp](http://www.stcharlescacity.com/Administration/CityAdministrator/Departments/Police/Public%20Information/safety%20tips.asp)

Also, would you like information sent to you on email as incidents or other important information comes up? Then email Kirsten Harrison to be added to the list!

[Kirsten@hidden-oaks.com](mailto:Kirsten@hidden-oaks.com)

It's up to us to keep our neighborhood safe!

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## SummerFest 08- Planning to start soon!



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**1993- 2008  
Hidden Oaks  
Association is now 15  
years old!**

**15<sup>th</sup> !!**

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### 2008 Holiday Waste Schedule

**Memorial Day Weekend:**  
Typical pick up Monday  
now on Tuesday- then  
Thursday pick up to be  
Friday

**Fourth of July**  
Our routes will not be  
affected by this schedule.

**Labor Day**  
Typical pick up Monday  
now on Tuesday- then  
Thursday pick up to be  
Friday

**Thanksgiving**  
Thursday pick up to be  
Friday

**Christmas Day**  
Monday's route will not be  
affected. Thursday pick up  
to be Friday

Our annual neighborhood party will be June 7<sup>th</sup> this year! We ask for your suggestions and help to get this party planned and enjoyed! Would you like to be on the committee this year or have some ideas to share? Please contact Kirsten at

[Kirsten@hidden-oaks.org](mailto:Kirsten@hidden-oaks.org) or 443-2373.

Last year's event had 2 inflatables for the kids to play on, the fire truck came by and cooled us off, and the Dare was also here! We had a DJ for music, bbq from Stumpy's and potluck

from the neighbors for side dishes and desserts. Our Council Person Laurie Feldman joined us also!

## Association Meetings with Laurie Feldman

Laurie Feldman, councilperson, is starting a series of meetings for homeowner association board members in Ward 3. These meetings will cover current issues and future goals. One or all Hidden Oaks board members will attend these meetings and information will be posted on the front page of our website.

If there are issues, goals, etc that you would like addressed at these meetings please contact one of the board members.

We have not heard exactly the recurrence of these meetings, but Ms. Feldman is proposing quarterly meetings.



The meeting dates will be posted on the website calendar as they are scheduled.

**The first meeting will be held on February 6<sup>th</sup>.**

## Hidden Oaks Special Events- Mark your calendar!

The annual **Easter Egg Hunt** will be held Sunday March 16<sup>th</sup> at 2PM. The Easter Bunny will make his appearance and there will be fun games also!



The **Spring Garage Sale** will be held Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> and Saturday May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Times and other details to be announced closer to the date.

This may be the only neighborhood sponsored one, so please plan on participating! Individuals may have there one, this is the association sponsored one.

**Associations Annual Meeting** will be held on Tuesday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 7PM at the Police Station at 1781 Zumbhel! We invite all to attend!

Our councilperson Laurie Feldman will be there to speak with us!