

SPRINGBROOK CONDOMINIUM NEWSLETTER

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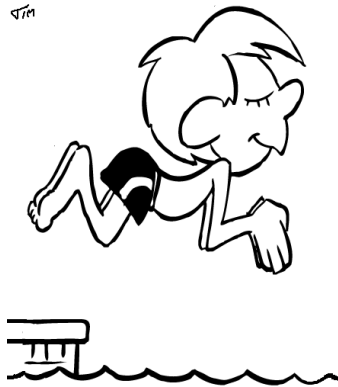
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Information and Updates from Ron Maglieri and the Board of Directors

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ABOUT THE POOL:



We didn't think it would be necessary to say this but skateboards, bicycles and dogs, are not permitted in the pool area much less *in the pool*. Further, children under the age of 13 must be under adult supervision and it is the responsibility of that adult to ensure the children are obeying the pool rules. Your neighbors will appreciate your cooperation.

NEW "LIBRARIAN". Vicki Landry, after a number of years of serving as our seasonal librarian, has retired. She even found her own replacement so the free library in the clubhouse will continue to operate thru the pool season. Nicole invites you to borrow, swap, or donate books for the library. You may leave them in the clubhouse or at her door - #706. Thank you Vicki and Nicole!

BATS

Did you know that a bat will eat 3000-7000 mosquitoes per night?! These nocturnal animals can eat half their weight in gnat-size insects in an hour. Thanks to the efforts, in 2001, by Joan Hamblet and the late Nancy Knapp of the then volunteer Grounds Committee, we have all become better informed about these creatures who reside in our midst. In 2001 we installed 2 bat houses on trees at the far side of the pond. Bats will roost in a house of this type during the day and forage for insects at night.



CONDO PARKING: Please be mindful to not leave an unnecessary distance between cars when parking at Springbrook. This is particularly important if yours is one of the more densely occupied lots. Attention to this can result in additional available spaces. Thank you.

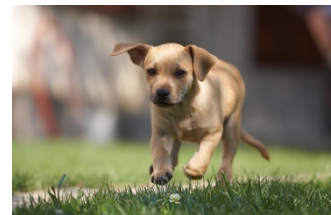


ANNUAL MEETING: Mark your calendar for the Annual Meeting on Saturday, September 14th at 10:00am at the clubhouse. You will receive a written notice and please, if you are unable to attend, return the proxy included with the notice.

OFF-LEASH DOG PARKS:

There are seven (7) off leash dog parks in the city of Portsmouth. One of the seven is at Peirce Island which is temporarily closed due to the construction of the Waste Water Treatment facility. The remaining six are:

1. Haven Park on Pleasant St
2. Langdon Park (across the street from City Hall)
3. Ward Park @ Middle Rd and Ward Place by the Lafayette School
4. South Mill Pond Area across the street from City Hall
5. Goodwin Park, Islington St
6. Great Bog, located off Buckminster Way



Go to the City's website and search *dog parks* for a map or pick one up at the City Clerk's office at City Hall. Enjoy!

MOTORCYCLES: If you have one, enjoy it safely and please enter and exit Springbrook as quietly as possible. And *always* use a kick stand pad. Please T-bone park on the blacktop in front of your vehicle. **Note:** Doing so does not reserve your parking space.



INSURANCE REMINDER:

Whether you own the condo or rent it, this insurance reminder is for you. The Springbrook Condominium Association's master insurance policy contains a \$10,000 per occurrence deductible. **If you own the unit** we recommend that you check with your individual insurance company to be sure that you have adequate coverage as you may be held responsible for damage within your unit. The Board is not in the position to give individual insurance advice, however, you will want to have, at a minimum, \$10,000 building coverage and \$25,000 loss assessment coverage on your unit-owner's policy to complement the master policy. **If you are a tenant,** we recommend that you check with your insurance company about purchasing a tenant policy to cover your furnishings and belongings.

DODGE CHARGER w/ HEMI engine is the most often stolen vehicle in 2019. According to the Highway Loss Institute this model is stolen 5.4 times more often than the average vehicle. (Source: USA Today 8-1-19)

HAVE YOU CONSIDERED serving the Springbrook community by becoming a member of the volunteer Board of Directors? Speak with Ron Maglieri (610-0165) who can answer any questions you might have.

PLEASE . . .

Do not leave household items, furniture, televisions, or air conditioners, etc. at the dumpster. It costs us money to have these items hauled away and, if we identify the unit, we will assess your account (or your landlord's) for the cost of removal. There are three charitable organizations within 2 miles of us that accept donations. A modest effort on your part may solve the disposal problem for you, save the condo association an unfair expense, and be a blessing to a needy family. The three are:

1. Operation Blessing
600 A Lafayette Rd
430-8561 (no furniture)
2. The Salvation Army
2458 Lafayette Rd
For pick up call 800
SATruck or see
www.SATruck.org
3. Good Will
720 Lafayette Rd
430-2040

For items not suitable for these agencies, contact

4. Portsmouth's
Dept Public Works
Peverly Hill Rd
427-1530.

During certain hours, they accept bulky waste from Portsmouth residents (proof of residency will be required).

**THE TSA & Pease Greeters:
The Transportation Security
Administration (aka TSA)**

has had quite an effect on the Pease Greeters. In 2005 an unscheduled flight with 135 army troops en route to Iraq was about to make a fueling stop at Pease. The then airport manager and maintenance manager did not want these service men and women to spend their final moments on US soil alone and so they rounded up available employees and brought them to the terminal building. They bought coffee and donuts for the troops to enjoy before reboarding for their deployment. On that day the idea of the Pease Greeters was born.

Since then the Pease Greeters have welcomed 1600 flights with an estimated 310,000 troops. Regardless of the weather or the hour of the day or night, every troop flight is greeted by these magnificent volunteers. In those early years, an email would go out that a flight was arriving and a hundred or so people would show up to greet them. (Once, in 2010 George and Barbara Bush showed up!)

Today, the TSA's security measures requires volunteers to sign up to continue receiving the emails. This necessary security measure has reduced the number of people receiving the emails and thus, fewer volunteers showing up for the troops. It's quick and easy to sign up .Go to www.PeaseGreeters.org click on Membership and complete the form and mail it to address provided. Surely, it is worth that effort to support our troops.