



HOOFBEATS



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DLPOA Meeting

August 7, 2013

RHE Community Center

7:30

We had a good turnout of neighbors for the July meeting, and if YOU show up in August we just might have another good turnout.

The board tries very hard to limit the meetings so that they are over by 9:30, so come on by and see what's going on. No appointment necessary.

DLPOA BLAST EMAIL LIST

The blast email list that DLPOA has been using was compiled in 2010 and is woefully outdated. DLPOA uses this list to report any criminal activity in the neighborhood, post lost and found animals in the Lanes and announce association meeting topics. The list should be as complete as possible for all of the above purposes.

If you have not been receiving any blast emails, are new to the neighborhood or have a family email where you prefer to receive notices of importance in the Lanes, please send an email to Kathy Gliksman – kathleen1387@cox.net

We hope to update this list as soon as possible and have it include 100% of the homes in the Lanes.



Tape Trivia.

In 1942, Revolite, then a division of Johnson & Johnson, developed an adhesive tape made from a rubber-based adhesive applied to a durable duck cloth backing. This tape resisted water and was used as sealing tape on ammunition cases during World War II. Today we call it Duct tape.

DLPOA Calendar

Board Meeting	August 7
Western BBQ & Dance	Summer
Horse Show	October 20
Christmas Party	December ?
Operation: Santa Claus	December 22

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EASTER CELEBRATION 2013

As we begin to dust off the potato sacks and red bandanas for our summer events at the Ring, I am reminiscing about our eggceptionally fun Easter Celebration.

First, if not for the many generous volunteers and donators for breakfast at the Saloon, we would not have gained those extra delicious calories! Special thanks to Cindy Chew, Debbie Taymore, Connie Moseley, The Fines, The Bandys, The Leons, and The Ambroses. Equal gratitude for any quiet Bunny Helpers who donated food and drink as well as served up the posh nosh!

Once the sugar highs kicked in, it was time to enjoy the Animal Parade... the one with the real animals first! The horses, chickens, bearded dragons, and a cat(?) held their own amongst many, many dogs. And the dogs were dominated by the chihuahua breed, prompting our hilarious announcer Jenny Good to exclaim, "¡Ay Chihuahua!" more than once! "High Paws" for all the participants who shared creatures, big and small. Über thanks to Jenny for her energetic announcing skills and memorable ad-libs: "Forget the Golden Egg...Has any found the rooster yet?!"

The Tables of Glamour—face painting, hairspray, and many crafts—were enthusiastically overseen by our special teenage troopers, including Alexandra Leon, Sasha, Clair Litchfield, to name a few. Thank you to ALL who helped at the "Silly Salon."

Special shout-outs to those Bunny Helpers behind the scenes: Joe Litchfield for speaker set-up; Sydney Michel and family for the festive balloons donation (which were given to kids on their way home); Christopher and Michael Del Signore (nephews of Mady Del Signore) who were the Gate Keepers and love to visit the Lanes; the Amazing Cleaning Crew (y'all know who you are!) who generously helped before and

after; and finally, the Bunny Helpers who helped in super secret ways by burrowing, digging, climbing, tossing all those eggs... the Hunt is impossible without you!

We certainly missed our fearless Egg Hunt Leader, Jeanette Jacobson, who could not attend this year. However, Jeanette ensured that EVERYTHING was prepared, organized, documented, labeled, and double-checked before handing the reigns to the Bunny Cart to me. Dear Jeanette, after filling your lucky rabbits feet this year, I look forward to seeing you at the helm again next year yelling across the Riding Ring: "Have you found the Golden Egg yet?!!!"

And, finally, EGGXTRA SPECIAL THANKS TO THE EASTER BUNNY! As always, Bunny was very eggcited to hop down the trail to the Ring with everyone and pose for the paparazzi. Then... like magic... Bunny disappeared!... his cute cotton tail no where in sight! Until next year... Thank you, Easter Bunny!

~ Wendy Wattson

EVENT WINNERS:

GOLDEN EGG 0-2: Name? - She was so adorable!

GOLDEN EGG 3-5: Landon Becker

GOLDEN EGG 6-8: Alex Forman

GOLDEN EGG 9+: Charlotte Litchfield

EGG/SPOON: Caden Ambrose

BALLOON TOSS: Aaron Ambrose & Alex Forman

3-LEGGED: Aidan Wattson & Caden Ambrose

"STRAWBERRY PATCH" JAR COUNT: Hunter Poulin & Sophia Wattson with honorable mention to Capt. Hoyne



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Peafowl Committee

Several neighbors attended the June DLPOA meeting and requested that the peafowl flocks be thinned. The Board decided to form a Committee composed of people on both sides of the issue to explore solutions. In order to be on the Committee, you must be a DLPOA member in good standing (i.e., have paid your dues).

If you want to be on the Committee, please contact a Board member about doing so. The President of the Board is Dennis Ault. The other members are Jerry Glikzman, Gary Johnson, Barbara Maynard, Sydne Michel, Jan Packard and Eric Vander Ploeg.

Make Your Home Safe for Summer

Don't make it easy for thieves to enter your home! When the weather is warm, residents leave their windows open to feel the ocean breeze. Crime statistics show that in a majority of home burglaries, the suspects have entered through an UNLOCKED (or improperly locked) window or door.

This means most residential burglaries are PREVENTABLE.

By implementing the following security suggestions, the chances of being victimized by a residential burglar can be significantly reduced. Teach your family how to protect themselves and their property. We want to help you do all you can to ensure a safe and happy summer for everyone.

REMEMBER:

- * ALWAYS lock your doors and windows even when leaving for "just a minute."
- * NEVER leave a house key under a doormat, in a flower pot, or on the ledge of a door.

* Exterior doors should be secured with a one-inch deadbolt lock.

* Sliding doors and windows should either be "drilled and pinned" or secured with a patio door lock.

* Use heavy duty padlocks and case-hardened hasp attachments to secure side gates and garage doors.

* Make sure the entire perimeter of your home is well-lit, especially front and back door areas.

* Use timers so that lights, radio, and TV go on and off throughout the residence to indicate someone may be home.

* For longer trips, be sure to have someone you trust collect, on a daily basis: mail, newspapers, or anything else that might be delivered or left on your property.

Make sure all trees and shrubs are trimmed near all doors and windows where intruders might hide.

Add exterior lights and consider lights that are activated by motion sensors.

* If you have a home alarm system, make sure you always activate it!

If you come home and find a door open or notice things out of place, do not go inside. Confronting an intruder can be dangerous. Instead, call the Sheriff's Department immediately and wait for the police to arrive.

Keep our neighborhood safe: "If you see something, say something."

Hot Enough?

July is officially the 2nd month of summer and traditionally the hottest month of the year. In the states, July typifies Americana - baseball season is in full swing and when one thinks of baseball, eating hot dogs at the ballpark is not far behind. July is not only National Hot Dog month but National Ice Cream month as well. It's no wonder ice cream comes to mind as a summer favorite, it's a great way to keep cool!

Summer also brings the opportunity to fire up the barbeque and dine al fresco in the cooler evening temperatures. Everyone becomes a grill master this time of year or, at the very least, a certified barbeque taster. What is your favorite summertime recipe?

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Living with Peafowl

Peacocks are a wonderful part of living in The Lanes, however they can sometimes be disruptive and destructive. Below are some ways to deter peafowl from inhabiting your property:

1. When planning your garden, choose plants that peafowl find "unappetizing." Please refer to the provided list of plants and flowers that peafowl like and dislike.
2. Peafowl do not like water. The intermittent use of sprinklers or a hose will act as a negative reinforcement for the birds.
3. Peafowl like to roost in trees that provide safety and protection. Trim or thin overhanging trees to deter peafowl from roosting in branches.
4. Peafowl like to eat young tender seedlings. Cover or fence off young plants until they are well-established and less attractive to the birds.
5. Peafowl are attracted to compost heaps because of the seeds and bugs. Don't stop composting, however covering your compost bin will keep the peafowl out.

Be a good neighbor

One of the biggest ways to keep peafowl off your property is to not feed them. They tend to return to areas where they can find food. Peafowl love pet food, bird seed and bread. Feed your pets in the house or remove uneaten food soon after your pets have eaten. Be a good neighbor and don't feed the peafowl! The birds can survive quite well on the wild and domestic plants, seed and insects. Remember, you can be fined for feeding wild animals.

In The Garden

It is possible to maintain a beautiful garden while living with peafowl by replacing a few of the plants and flowers that peafowl find desirable with ones that they find distasteful. For example, substituting impatiens with azaleas still creates an attractive yard while deterring peafowl from inhabiting your property and destroying your landscaping.

Peafowl dislike these plants:

Agapanthus	Iris
Azalea	Ivy
Baby's Breath	Lantana
Bee Balm	Lavender
Bird of Paradise	Marigold
Blazing Star	Mint
Liatris	Mum
Bouganvillea	Oleander
Butterfly Plant	Painted Daisy
Cactus	Periwinkle
Camellia	Peonies
Cannas	Phlox
Clivia	Pink Lady
Columbine	Plumbago
Coneflower	Poinsettia
Ferns	Pyracantha
Fuchsia	Rhododendron
Gaillardia	Rose
Gardenia	Shasta Daisy
Geranium	Snap Dragon
Giant Columbine	Sunburst Coreopsis
Gladiola	Weigela
Gloriosa Daisy	
Hen & Chicken	
Hibiscus	
Hardy Lavender	
Hostas	



Peafowl love these plants

Amaryllis
 Begonia
 Broccoli
 Brussel Sprout
 Cabbage
 California Poppy
 Cauliflower
 Chive
 Holly Berries
 Impatiens
 Kale
 Kohlrabi
 Lettuce
 Nasturtium
 Pansy
 Petunia
 Primrose
 Stock
 Stock Cauliflower
 Sweet Alyssum
 Tomato
 Water Stock
 Young Spinach and
 any young plants
*---borrowed from the city
 of Arcadia*

The Chuck Wagon



Squirrel Pot Pie

- 2 dressed squirrels (2 - 2 1/2 lbs.)
- 2 cups water or chicken stock
- 2 celery stalks
- 8 small carrots
- 1 chopped onion
- 1 1/2 tsp. Salt
- 2 tbsp. butter
- Dash of black pepper
- Rolled dumplings
- Oregano

This is an excellent way to cook old squirrels which are too tough for frying. Wipe thoroughly with a damp cloth and remove all hair. Remove any shot and scent glands. Wash well inside and out with warm water. Cut into serving pieces. Put squirrel into a kettle; add vegetables, oregano, water or stock, salt, pepper and butter; heat to boiling. Reduce heat; cover tightly and simmer until very tender (2-3 hours depending on age of animal). The meat should be almost ready to fall from the bones. Add water as needed.

Remove and blend vegetables on high. Return to pot. Increase the heat until liquid boils. Lay the rolled dumplings over the top of squirrel; cover tightly and cook for 12-15 minutes. Do not lift cover during cooking. Place squirrel in a hot serving dish and arrange dumplings around the edge. Cooking the dumplings in the liquid should thicken the gravy to just the right consistency. Pour gravy over squirrel and dumplings.

Add quartered apples or other fresh fruit for decoration.



July 4th Parade and Festivities

Watch for the details with all the winners and participants in next month's Hoofbeats.

Meanwhile here are a few pictures from the day, courtesy of Jenny Litchfield.

Go to our web site to see larger and in color.

