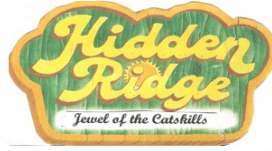


# The Hidden Ridge GEM

June 2015

Issue 15-02



## The President's Message



Dear Fellow Hidden Ridgers,

Welcome back! It is great to be finally back, to see for myself that our "Jewel in the Catskills" survived what was yet another bitter cold and snowy winter. Added to these worries of winter were the problems with several water main breaks, some occurring naturally and others caused by the demolition crew at the Kutsher's site.

Through it all, our community survived due to the herculean efforts of Lenny Kirschenbaum who handled each crisis with finesse and with a sense of what will make life easier for those Hidden Ridgers affected by these adverse situations. He deserves kudos from the community!

We owe our thanks to Jerry Bassik, too, along with Lenny Kirschenbaum for going to the office in town weekly to pay the bills, collect and make the deposits. They deserve a well earned vacation! Michael Bauer and Richie Spear did a phenomenal job this winter controlling the snows and maintaining our roads and grounds for the people who wintered here.

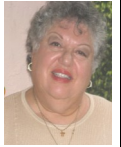
All reported roof leaks have been addressed by our roofing contractor. Our maintenance crew has been busily fixing gutters, replacing storm drains, as well as tending to the landscaping of common grounds. Perhaps the next time you see them you can thank them for their efforts. I know they would like to hear it!

Mother Nature prevented the pool from being opened for Memorial Day weekend. There was some concrete work that needed to be addressed and then it needed to be painted. The pumps were turned on and the heater was started. I hope to see many people enjoying the water in the near future.

There was a problem in the clubhouse when a pipe from the sprinkler system caused a major leak that ruined a portion of the ceiling and inside wall. Repairs will be made in the very near future when we hear from our insurance company.

On behalf of the Board of Directors I would like to welcome the new homeowners and new renters

## From the Editor



Dear Fellow Hidden Ridgers,

*"Summer time, and the livin' is easy."*

DuBose Heyward wrote those words to music George Gershwin composed for the folk opera, "Porgy and Bess." The irony of it all is that the folks in that story, which was originally written by Heyward, all knew that summertime or wintertime, life was never easy. It certainly wasn't easy for them in 1934 when the music was composed and it isn't any easier now. Poor people work harder, sweat more, and die faster now just as they did then.

So, where is the promise of the easier living, that elusive summertime? I think those of us who are fortunate enough to winter in Florida and summer in any warm clime, who don't have to worry about a roof over our head or if there is enough milk money in the jar hidden in the kitchen pantry, have that easy summertime all the time. And while we thank our blessings, we should remember the child that will go to bed hungry no matter what the weatherman says; or the old woman whose pension has run out and is pooling her nickels and quarters to buy a can of cat tuna because it's cheaper than the can for human consumption; or we should think about the workers who will spend their lives in the blistering heat keeping our lawns trim and our shrubs presentable this summer.

Let's be grateful for what we do have here in beautiful Hidden Ridge. Up here in Monticello, there are many venues for our charity. As we continue to try to ease the summer for others not so fortunate, we hope you will all do the same and stay healthy so that you may enjoy the living here this summer. Linda

who will be sharing their first summer with us. We hope that you will join us at our Welcome Back Breakfast on June 14<sup>th</sup> as well as our other planned activities. Make sure to check the "Save the Dates" column in the GEM as well as the Bulletin Board and our newly redesigned website ([www.hiddenridgehoa.org](http://www.hiddenridgehoa.org)) for upcoming activities.

Here's looking forward to a wonderful summer!

Bonnie

## 2014-2015 Board of Directors

|                    |           |                       |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| Bonnie Siegel      | President | 791-6056 917-969-9646 |
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| Jerry Bassik       | Director  | 791-4273              |
| Larry Miles        | Director  | 917-865-2879          |
| Karen Seltzer      | Director  | 794-2752 917-861-6291 |

**Hidden Ridge H.O.A.**  
PO Box 976

Monticello, NY 12701

Patrol/Safety number: 845-794-8180

## Hidden Ridge H.O.A. Committee Liaisons

|                                   |                             |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Advertising</b>                | Chuck Greenberg             |
| <b>Audit</b>                      | Ed Hertz/Bonnie Siegel      |
| <b>Beautification</b>             | Ed Hertz                    |
| <b>Clubhouse</b>                  | Karen Seltzer/Bonnie Siegel |
| <b>Cul de Sac Liaisons</b>        | Larry Miles                 |
| <b>Entertainment</b>              | Bonnie Siegel/Karen Seltzer |
| <b>Grievances</b>                 | Bonnie Siegel/Lenny K.      |
| <b>GEM/Web Site</b>               | Bonnie Siegel/Jerry Bassik  |
| <b>Insurance Certification</b>    | Bonnie Siegel/Jerry Bassik  |
| <b>Insurance Matters</b>          | Bonnie Siegel/Jerry Bassik  |
| <b>Legal</b>                      | Bonnie Siegel               |
| <b>Liaison to Veria</b>           | Bonnie Siegel               |
| <b>Long Range Planning</b>        | Bonnie Siegel/ Lenny K.     |
| <b>Maintenance</b>                | Lenny K./Ed Hertz           |
| <b>Daily Pool</b>                 | Vacancy                     |
| <b>Safety</b>                     | Lenny Kirschenbaum          |
| <b>Sales &amp; Rentals</b>        | Ed Hertz/Bonnie Siegel      |
| <b>Sanitation &amp; Recycling</b> | Jerry Bassik/Lenny K.       |
| <b>Snow Removal</b>               | Lenny K./Jerry Bassik       |
| <b>Social</b>                     | Karen Seltzer               |

## Upcoming Events

**Next Board Meeting: Sunday, July 12**

**Association General Meeting: Sunday, June 28**

**Social Committee Meeting: TBA**

**Please see the bulletin boards or website.**

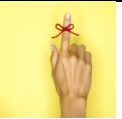


Want to announce something to our community? Call Linda and place an ad in the GEM.

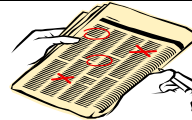
Please call 917-747-8660 or email: [bonsdiva@aol.com](mailto:bonsdiva@aol.com)

**DEADLINE for JULY ISSUE - June 20<sup>th</sup>**

## Important Reminder



President Bonnie Siegel reminds all homeowners that a current copy of your insurance certification is required to be on file with the HOA. This form should include the unit number as well as the effective dates of coverage. A copy of the Declarations page is acceptable and preferred. Handwritten details on these documents as well as premium notices are not acceptable. Send your certification forms directly to the Hidden Ridge Office, PO Box 976, Monticello, NY 12701.



## Classifieds

**Wanted:** Ads to defray costs of printing the GEM, such as, business cards, etc.

Prices for ad space in newsletter:

|                 |            |            |
|-----------------|------------|------------|
| • full page     | \$25/issue | \$125/year |
| • 1/2 page      | \$15/issue | \$ 75/year |
| • 1/4 page      | \$10/issue | \$ 50/year |
| • business card | \$ 5/issue | \$ 25/year |

Call Linda: 845-791-6056 (May-Oct.) 561-498-9338 (Oct.-May)

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*If you would like to contribute to the July issue or consider writing a regular byline, please notify the Editor-in-Chief*  
*Please send your information to:*

Linda Solomon at [bonsdiva@aol.com](mailto:bonsdiva@aol.com)

## Liberty Pest Control

Liberty Pest Control has visited the premises and will return for those who need to address interior concerns.

Please call them at the following number to make arrangements and be sure to let them know you are part of Hidden Ridge Homeowners Association.

**845-361-3100**

If you have any questions, speak to Bonnie Siegel.

## Life Cycle Events

JUNE



Flag Day  
June 14



Summer begins  
June 21



Father's Day  
June 21



D Day  
June 6

June - Birthstone: Pearls



Gemini (May 21 - June 20)

Cancer (June 21 - July 22)



*Happy Birthday*

06-02 Ettie Rachleff  
Morty Lynch  
06-04 Frances Katz  
06-12 Hermine Block  
06-14 Doris Rosdeitcher  
06-18 Sheila Cole  
06-19 Glenn Meyers

## SPECIAL GEMS and CONGRATS

Congratulations to Tatiana Shorten and her daughter, Maria Briantseva on becoming US citizens!



## Happy Anniversary

- |                                     |                                  |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Clocks and Watches               | 15. Watches                      |
| 2. China                            | 16. Silver Hollowware            |
| 3. Crystal and Glass                | 17. Furniture                    |
| 4. Electrical Appliances            | 18. Porcelain                    |
| 5. Silverware                       | 19. Bronze                       |
| 6. Wood                             | 20. Platinum Watches and Jewelry |
| 7. Desk Sets - Pens and Pencil Sets | 25. Sterling Silver Jubilee      |
| 8. Linens and Laces                 | 30. Diamond Watches and Jewelry  |
| 9. Leather                          | 35. Jade                         |
| 10. Diamond Watches and Jewelry     | 40. Ruby                         |
| 11. Fashion Jewelry and Accessories | 45. Sapphire                     |
| 12. Pearl or Colored Gems           | 50. Golden Jubilee               |
| 13. Textiles or Furs                | 55. Emerald                      |

05-29 Glenn Meyers & Jason Keigher  
06-09 Rita & Ron Kukafka  
06-10 Doris & Sy Rosdeitcher  
06-16 Shelly & Larry Strickler  
06-18 Myrna & Stanley Want  
06-21 Sheila & Bob Cole  
06-25 Erica & Norman Sadowsky

## SAVE THE DATE!



- Sunday, June 14 - Welcome Back Breakfast
  - Sunday, June 28 - Association General Meeting
  - Saturday, July 4 - July 4th Celebration Dinner/Show
  - Sunday, July 12 - Board of Directors Meeting
  - Sunday, July 19 - Meet the Candidates
  - Sunday, July 26 - Board of Directors Meeting
  - Sunday, August 2 - Annual Meeting and Elections
  - Sunday, August 9 - Board of Directors Meeting
  - Sunday, August 23 - Board of Directors Meeting
  - Sunday, August 30 - Association General Meeting
  - Sunday, September 20 - Board of Directors Meeting
- \* Dates to remember are subject to change; please check the bulletin board and website.

## Watch for our July 4th Celebration plans !

Please see page 10 and the website our plans for the July 4th weekend celebration here at Hidden Ridge!



*Mazel Tov*

Best wishes to Morty and Yetta Lynch on the upcoming marriage of grandson, singer and entertainer, **Scott Eckers!**

## Dining and Entertainment

### Robbie's Recipes

submitted by Robbie Schecter



#### BROILED PESTO SALMON

##### Ingredients:

2 lbs salmon fillets  
2 lemons  
1 1/2 cups pesto  
1/2 cup white wine  
olive oil

##### Directions:

1. Lightly oil a baking pan large enough to accommodate the fish & place salmon in pan, skin side down.
  2. Pour juice of one lemon, and the wine, over fish. Marinate 15 minutes.
  3. Preheat broiler.
  4. Coat the top side of the fish with thick layer of pesto. It should be 1/8 - 1/4 of an inch thick, and cover the surface of the fish.
  5. Place the fish under the broiler, about 9" from heat. Broil for 8 - 10 minutes per inch of thickness, or until fish flakes and flesh is opaque. Pesto should have formed a heavily browned crust.
  6. Remove from the oven and set aside for a few minutes. Squeeze half of the second lemon over the fish. Thinly slice the remaining half lemon and place slices on each serving.
- ENJOY!!

## TAX REDUCTION REPORT

By Warren Berkowitz

I am pleased to report that 106 homeowners have joined together in seeking a real estate tax reduction at Hidden Ridge. The Garigliano Law Firm will be representing us in our application and subsequent appeals, if necessary. I will continue to be the liaison for the group and will report back to the community with any progress. It has been a "taxing" few months, but I hope the outcome will be beneficial to all of us here in Hidden Ridge.

## HIDDEN RIDGE POLO SHIRT

The cost will be \$16 for sizes small-extra large (\$18 for sizes 2x and up). (See photo of shirt below ) Shirts can be ordered through Bonnie Siegel. Payment will be expected on delivery of the shirts. Thank you for your cooperation.



### Hidden Ridge Polo Shirt Order Form:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to order: \_\_\_\_\_ Hidden Ridge Polo Shirt(s)

\_\_\_\_\_ Small \_\_\_\_\_ Medium \_\_\_\_\_ Large

\_\_\_\_\_ X Large \_\_\_\_\_ XX Large \_\_\_\_\_ XXX Large

Shirts will be available at Welcome Back Brunch for purchase.

Coming soon - you will be able to order your HR sweatshirts!  
(Ordering information will be available soon.)

## Renter's Corner



### Welcome !

|                                 |               |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| Warren & Isabel Streisand       | 17 HR Drive   |
| Arty Spector & Roberta Mondres  | 56 HR Drive   |
| Max & Lena Rubin                | 90 HR Drive   |
| Ben & Lorraine Hack             | 96 HR Drive   |
| Lou & Bea Freedlander           | 140 HR Drive  |
| George & Shari List             | 159 HR Drive  |
| Joe & Mitzi Schoenfeld          | 175 HR Drive  |
| Seymour & Sheila Spiegel        | 181 HR Drive  |
| Audrey Fox                      | 193 HR Drive  |
| Wallace & Judy Horowitz         | 198 HR Drive  |
| Arnold & Gloria Plotsky         | 32 HR Terrace |
| Larry & Shelly Strickler (July) | 49 HR Terrace |

\*this list is current as of press time

## Welcome New Neighbors



Shelly Kleinberger

183 H.R. Drive



## Cul-de-Sac Liaisons

| Cul-de-Sac | Numbers  | Liaison            |
|------------|----------|--------------------|
| Azaleas    | 15-23D   | Karen Seltzer      |
| Birch      | 29-43D   | Helen Klein        |
| Camellias  | 59-73D   | Betty Fuchs        |
| Daffodils  | 89-103D  | Fran Zatz          |
| Elms       | 107-125D | Julia Glaz         |
| Firs       | 149-171D | Lenny Kirschenbaum |
| Gardenias  | 173-187D | Jerry Bassik       |
| Hemlocks   | 193-205D | Lenny Keusch       |
| Iris       | 196-214D | Harriet Kopelman   |
| Juniper    | 126-148D | Jeff Lynn          |
| Kerrias    | 74-96D   | Rhoda Hertz        |
| Laurels    | 44-58D   | Vacancy            |
| Magnolias  | 29-43T   | Sheila Cole        |
| Narcissus  | 45-58T   | Joe Gluck          |
| Oaks       | 28-46T   | Jill Friedman      |
| Petunias   | 6-26T    | Bonnie Siegel      |
| Roses      | 8-14D    | Helene Schulman    |

## The Poet's Corner

By Janet Lieberman



### Highway Vista

Late spring weekend, traveling north  
Wheels vibrate, tires lap at asphalt  
Winding grey ribbons, patchwork of light and dark

Blue arch of bridge shimmers in morning sun  
Enclosed cubicles clatter past  
Stretching bands

Rows of stallions

Stop, start

Static motion

Spiral shadows moving onward!

## In Memoriam

*With great sadness we announce the following losses to our community*

*Former owner*

**Arthur Press**

*husband of Helen*

**Blossom Cohen**

*Condolences to her daughter, Jennifer*

*Mitgang and family*

*May their memories be for a blessing.*

## ELECTIONS 2015 ARE COMING!

This year there will be elections to fill 3 positions on the Board of Directors. The following Directors' terms of office will end as of August 2, 2015:

Lenny Kirschenbaum

Larry Miles

Karen Seltzer

While any or all of them may be seeking re-election, other Hidden Ridge homeowners who are interested in a position on the Board should send a letter of intent to Chuck Greenberg by July 1, 2015. Nominations will be accepted from the floor at our General Meeting on June 28, 2015. Check the GEM and the bulletin boards for further details and related election dates.

## LIFE CYCLE EVENTS

There have been several occurrences (deaths and funerals, illnesses, etc.) over the winter in which those in charge of disseminating information to the community were not notified in a timely fashion. If you are aware of something that should be disseminated to all of Hidden Ridge, and you have not seen a timely email go out, please make it your business to **notify Bonnie Siegel or Eddie Erlich** as soon as possible. Thank you.

## Slow Down and STOP

As more owners, tenants and guests come to enjoy our community, it is time to remind everyone that:

**The speed limit on Hidden Ridge Drive and Terrace is 15 miles per hour.**

**Stop at all Stop signs.**

Let us ensure that everyone at Hidden Ridge is safe and has a wonderful summer.

**SPEED  
LIMIT  
15**

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❄️ **THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN** ❄️

❄️ **SNOWMEN AND SNOWFLAKES** ❄️

❄️ *By Lenny Kirschenbaum* ❄️

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With the snowbirds departure, the cool air of the Fall infused the lovely grounds of Hidden Ridge. I awoke one morning to find the majority of my friends and neighbors had pulled anchor and set sail for warmer climes. And then, without little warning—the snows came...and the snows came....and the snow came some more until the return of the snowbirds.

The snows brought with them a host of problems - roofs leaking, the omni-present problem of tracking sand and salt into one's residence, and pipes bursting inside and outside - and Folks, this was no "Star Spangled Banner!"

During the past six years of my board involvement, some good things have happened. The board has implemented year-around maintenance by purchasing appropriate vehicles, and keeping some of our maintenance crew working around the calendar. For those achievements I applaud not only the board but the homeowners as well.

We need a separate office with a dedicated phone and equipment. No one should have to utilize their home as "Hidden Ridge Central." There were many problems that surfaced during the winter months which did not require the homeowners to call me in a panic late at night or early in the morning. Folks need to realize that board members are volunteers and receive no compensation for our efforts. The people of this community need to take some of the burdens off of board members and become more involved in what goes on here.

Personally, I would like to see the formation of a winter committee that would be of assistance in keeping Hidden Ridge the "Gem of the Catskills" and to see snowflakes become snowmen.

## Barkie's Corner



*Barkie says,*

Welcome back to all my four legged friends. And to those of my four legged friends who spent the winter at Hidden Ridge, I hope it wasn't too hard on all of you. I know that with the freezing weather and tons of snow we had this winter, it must have been very difficult for your owners to walk you and clean up after you. But now that the snow has melted, it seems the piles of your waste didn't melt with the snow. Dog owners and non owners, too, have told me that they have seen and STEPPED IN the many piles of dog poop (definitely not deer poop) that has surfaced under the snow both on the Drive and the Terrace. Please, please make sure your owners always clean up after you, even in the winter when no one is around to see. Have a great summer and I look forward to seeing all my friends on our walks around the Ridge.

*Barkie!*



### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

We have just been notified that in the near future, contracting crews for Time Warner Cable will be working in our area to install new underground cable. This is necessary to guarantee optimal performance of their network. We may experience service interruptions between the hours of 7:30 am and 5:30 pm while work is being performed.

These crews may mark the proposed work area with White flags or paint. Other utility companies will mark the location of existing pipes, wires or cables with different colored paint or flags (Red, Yellow, Green, Blue, Orange, Pink). There will be noise from the construction crews and equipment. Existing equipment enclosures will be opened while work is being done. New equipment enclosures will be placed as as closed as possible to existing electric, telephone and cable TV enclosures.

We thank you in advance for your patience and cooperation.

## ALLAN'S ALLEY

*submitted by Allan Meyers*



### **NOM De PLUME** **(or ...by any other name)** **By: Alkonan Schmoil**

We moved into a new apartment house. It was my fourth apartment and I was only 7 years old. My mom said it was easier to move than to have the apartment painted. So on my first day there I went downstairs to explore the neighborhood.

A kid came up to me and asked me if I lived there. Before I could answer he threw a punch at me. I punched back and we rolled on the sidewalk. When we got up he said that his name was Moishie. From that point on we became inseparable. Moishie and Allan were one.

We were in the same classes, same sports teams and we even went to the same camp. Our parents took us to social and sporting events. Until we got drafted we never missed an opening day at Ebbits Field.

After the army, I went to Law School and he became a reporter for the New York Post. He'd call me and tell me he had tickets for the big game, or there was player that he wanted me to meet. He asked me not to call him Moishie anymore.

So Maurice Rosenberg (ne Moishie) was now Maury Allen. One day at a Knick game I saw him coming down the aisle and out of force of habit and unthinkingly called, "Moishie, Moshie we're sitting here." He never turned his head.

For years my family and our friends followed his Hall of Fame career. I'd get calls asking me if I saw Moishie on T.V. or if I read or bought one of his books. From that day on at Madison Square Garden he never spoke to me.

Fifty odd years later, I was sitting in a waiting room at Mt. Sinai Hospital doing a crossword puzzle, when an old infirmed man in a wheel chair tapped me on my knee and said he was sorry to tell me that Maury passed away. His attendant pushed him into the elevator before I could ask him who he was or how he knew that Moishie was my friend.



## **THE RECYCLING SHED** **REOPENED ON MAY 30**

### **PLEASE FOLLOW** **TOWN OF THOMPSON GUIDELINES**

#### *Short List of* *Do's and Don'ts of Recycling*

##### **Recycling Shed**

Newspapers tied in bundles

Brown corrugated cardboard, flattened and tied

Clear glass bottles and jars

Plastics

Tin and aluminum food cans

##### **Regular Garbage**

Cardboard, paper bags, small books, magazines

Cereal boxes, shoe boxes, soda cartons, etc.

Bottle caps and tops

Removed caps

Paint cans, tar cans, appliances

## **HAVE YOU SEEN THE** **NEW AND IMPROVED** **HIDDEN RIDGE HOA** **WEBSITE?**



*Our website, **hiddenridgehoa.com** has been renovated and is beautiful! Thank you to Jodi Miller, a webmaster designer and specialist we were able to make contact with in Florida we have a new site for our community to see and to be seen! Do check it out and enjoy receiving information in this up-to-date format which brings us into the Twenty-first Century.*

*On the same token, we are looking to include new photographs and updated information on the community in the website. Could you please help? Send all information and photos to the webmaster of our site, Linda Solomon, [bonsdiva@aol.com](mailto:bonsdiva@aol.com).*

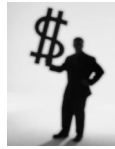
*Thank you!*



**Volunteers needed for the**  
**Beautification Committee -**  
**please call**

**Ed Hertz at 845-791-7209**  
**561-706-3301**

## The Treasurer's Report



|                  |                           |                     |
|------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>Balances:</b> | <b>Operating Account:</b> | <b>\$ 82,789.28</b> |
|                  | <b>Money Market:</b>      | <b>\$ 20,013.16</b> |
|                  | <b>Reserve Account:</b>   | <b>\$151,242.09</b> |
|                  | <b>Total:</b>             | <b>\$254,044.53</b> |

The audit for the fiscal year ending April 2015 is in process with Knack, Pavloff and Company. We should have a completed financial statement to distribute in July.

The Board has worked to create a balanced budget that does not increase monthly maintenance fees. The budget will be distributed at our General Meeting in late June. Further discussions will be had with the membership at our General and Annual Meetings.

Please be reminded that the following guest fees that were established last year will be in effect again this year:

Guest charges for our Saturday night shows:

Free admission for two persons per unit

\$5 per person for each additional guest of a unit owner

\$10 per person for residents of neighboring communities (Emerald Greens, etc)

Guest charges for those attending our dinner and shows are as follows:

Residents – price of dinner

\$5 + the price of dinner for guests of the unit owner

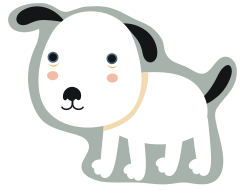
\$10+ the price of the dinner for residents of neighboring communities



### How Does Your Garden Grow?

*Thanks to Ron Kukafka, we will once again have an herb garden and vegetable garden in the Charlie Fox Memorial Gardens on the Terrace meadow. If you would like to assist Ron, let him know. Also, if you have preferences for the gardens, let him know that, too!*

## DOG REGISTRATION



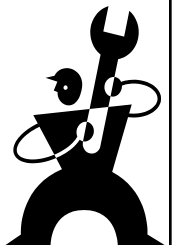
At the 2012 Annual Meeting the following rules concerning dogs were accepted by the membership. All residents (owners and renters) are to adhere to the following:

- Homeowners and renters are to register their dogs (including service dogs) with the homeowners association and provide proof of current rabies vaccination. Please send this information to the office.
- All dogs residing in Hidden Ridge for a period of 30 consecutive days must also be registered and licensed in the Town of Thompson. Proof of this license must be presented to the homeowners association. All homeowners shall provide proof the dog is licensed in the jurisdiction in which the dog's primary residence is maintained, if the dog does not reside for a period of 30 consecutive days in Hidden Ridge.
- Dog owners are responsible for abiding by the regulations set forth by the Town of Thompson which includes picking up after their dog, walking dogs on leashes, avoiding excessive barking, etc.
- There is a limit of 2 dogs per unit. If you have more than two dogs you MAY NOT replace the extra dog(s) as you lose them.
- All pet owners will be receiving a personal reminder via regular mail to take care of this matter.

If you need a copy of the Town of Thompson regulations, or if you have any questions, please contact: Bonnie Siegel 917-969-9646 [siegelmath@aol.com](mailto:siegelmath@aol.com)

## MAINTENANCE REQUEST FORMS

**ALL** requests for exterior maintenance must be written on **Maintenance Service Request Forms**. Use one form per request. Copies may be picked up in the **pocket envelope** on the bulletin board. All requests should be placed in the **maintenance mailbox** on the right side of the main bulletin board.



**IF THE HOA IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE WORK, USE THE REQUEST FORMS. IF THE WORK IS FOR YOU PERSONALLY, PLEASE ARRANGE WITH THE WORKER(S) TO DO THE WORK AFTER THEIR HIDDEN RIDGE WORK DAY. THANK YOU!**

If you have any questions regarding maintenance, please contact Lenny Kirschenbaum or Bonnie Siegel. Enclosed is a copy for your convenience. Thank you.



## For Your Information

### Terry's Fitness & Health Corner



*While Terry is away she asked us to reprint one of her favorite past articles from the "At the Ridge This Summer" series. (Originally printed June, 2014) Hope you enjoy!*

### AT THE RIDGE THIS SUMMER... TRY TO GO MEDITERRANEAN!

*By Terry Steinberg*

We have all heard of the Mediterranean Diet which is really easy to follow; but did you know the benefits? It cuts the risk of heart attack and stroke by up to 30%, keeps pounds away and may protect memory. The emphasis of this plan is on produce, fish, whole grains and healthy fats, and limited sugar!! If you start at the beginning of summer and stick to the program, you will feel better and be much more fit and in shape by Labor Day !

Here are eight easy ways to go Mediterranean (try to bring THESE foods to pool parties):

1. Pile up on fruits and vegetables - 5 to 10 servings a day.
2. Choose healthy fats - olive and olive oil are cornerstones, also avocados and avocado oil.
3. Pick seeds, nuts and legumes - your choice. Check out what you like, such as, lentils, nut butters, almonds, walnuts (as with ANY food, take small portions).
4. Focus on Fish - (4 oz. portions at a time), eggs and egg whites, lean poultry and meat (okay in moderation).
5. Have some Dairy - 1 to 3 servings daily, yogurt, cheese (curd cheeses - ricotta is best) or 1 oz. cheese of your choice.
6. Get Grain wise - remember processed carbs can be toxic on your system - they are full of SUGARS. With whole grains, it is best to have 4 to 5 daily (small) servings of whole wheat bread/ pasta, quinoa, brown rice, soba noodles, spaghetti squash, sprouted breads, all kinds of beans.
7. Add as much herbs and spices as your taste desires.
8. Rethink what you Drink!!!! - Eliminate all sugar drinks and limit alcohol. Make water, diluted juices, teas, seltzers, coffees (regular or decaffeinated) your go to drinks!

This diet can be a way of life... It is satisfying and healthy. Give it a try - one day at a time.

## Social Committee

*Karen Seltzer, Chair*



I'd like to welcome all the Hidden Ridgers back to the Catskills. We plan on having an exciting and different entertainment schedule. We start the season off with our Welcome Back breakfast on June 14th. As of this writing we have a nice crowd attending.

This year we are having 5 or 6 top acts, starting on July 4th with Shirley Alston Reeves former lead singer of the Shirelles and her group. On the other four Saturday nights of the season, there will be other activities, such as, a Pot luck Dinner, Pot Luck Desserts, perhaps Horse Racing, Bingo, and/or a Chinese Auction with a Chinese buffet. Perhaps on these nights local talent can perform. If you've seen someone in the area and loved them, tell us and we will try to hire them for those evenings. We are not having any repeats from last year.

Our July 4th dinner will be kosher deli. I know some of you are against this choice; however, viable alternatives have not been suggested. We will also have our usual nightly events in the Clubhouse. Monday and Wednesday will be cards. Tuesday is our "Big Bucks" Bingo game. Thursday is movie night.

There is also a basketball net in the clubhouse parking lot for you to enjoy. We will probably be able to provide a basketball to play with.

This is what our Hidden Ridge season looks like. We hope you take advantage of all the different activities. Of course, we always need help Saturday mornings at 9:30 setting up the Clubhouse. Take care, stay well, and see you around the Ridge.

### A Note Regarding Monthly Maintenance Payments

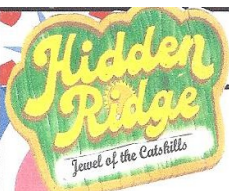
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2. Prepay for several months at a time. Some of homeowners actually pay the entire year's maintenance charges in January.
3. Prepay by postdating your check. You can also postdate several months at a time. These will be kept in our office and each month, the correct check will be pulled.

Please remember, we are running a business. We have bills that must be paid each month as well! When you are late in paying any other bill, for example a credit card, late fees are imposed!

Thank you for your cooperation.



# JULY 4TH DINNER AND SHOW

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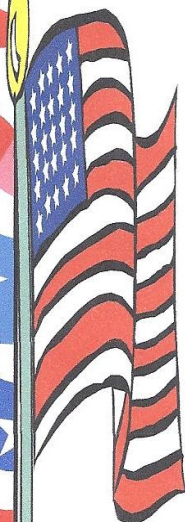
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If the answer to any of these questions is **YES**, complete the form on the back page and submit it to our office.  
New Directories will be distributed in July 2015.

**H.R. Club News**



Looking for someone to head up the Hidden Ridge Book Club for July. If you are interested, see Linda Solomon so this information can be distributed. Any suggestions of books to read will be entertained. Thanks!



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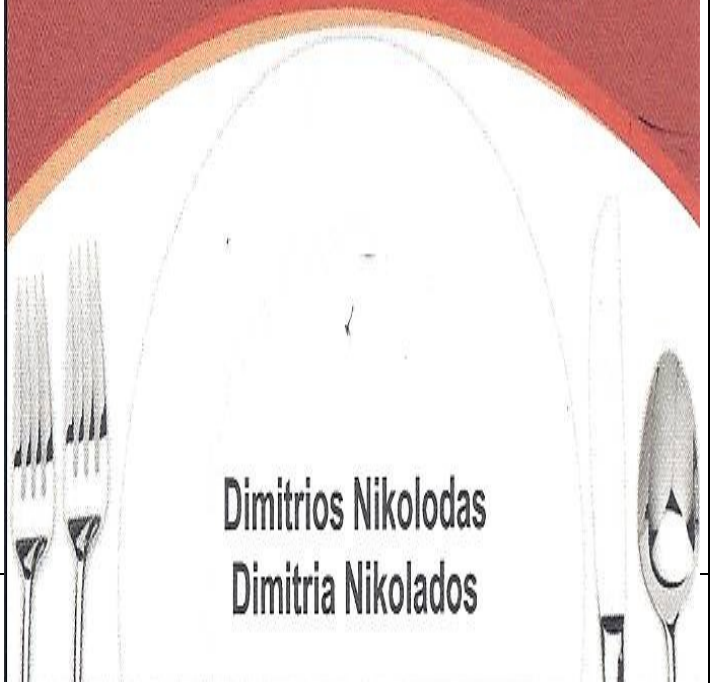


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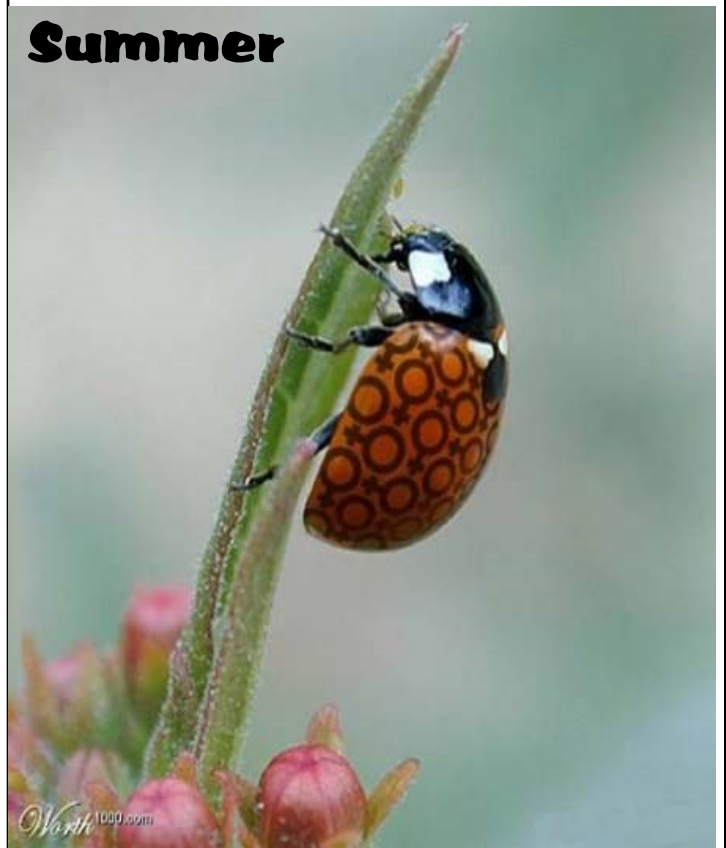
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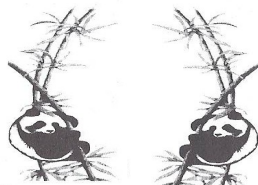
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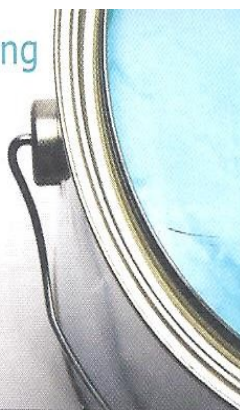
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