

The Hidden Ridge GEM Issue 20-02 June 2020

The President's Message



Dear Hidden Ridgers:

This edition of the GEM is being sent to everyone electronically and will be posted on our website <u>www.hiddenridgehoa.org</u> (under the "News" tab). A limited number of copies have been printed. These are specifically for those residents that we do not have email addresses.

We know that more of our snow birds and summer weekenders are returning to our Jewel in the Catskills .We must be reminded that we are still dealing with COVID 19 and the affects it has on our daily lives. The board has been working to make sure that the Hidden Ridge community is safe and remains healthy. Please be advised of the following:

- **Pool**: Due to New York State Department of Health rules and regulations, the pool cannot be opened at the present time.
- **Clubhouse and activities:** As you may be aware we are restricted in the use of our clubhouse and limited as to the number of guests at one time. Therefore there is no schedule at this time for indoor activity. But we all know how much we enjoy each other's company and we are working at some programs and activities using our outdoor areas. We will keep you advised as to any plans. We welcome suggestions as well.
- Annual Meeting and Elections: Please read the article on page 4 written by Fred Hirsh regarding meetings and elections.
- We will be updating the community through emails of any new developments and important news. Please make sure that we have all of your contact information. Complete the form and either mail it to me at <u>Siegelmath@aol.com</u> or to the office. If you do not have an email address, please call me (917-969-9646), Monday – Friday 9:00AM to 5:00PM only).

Besides the articles and information throughout this issue, the following are a few items for your consideration:

Monthly Maintenance Fee and Voucher Booklet: The monthly maintenance fee vouchers for July and August are being electronically sent to all homeowners. The fee for July is \$465 - this includes the last installment of the special assessment that was imposed in February 2020. The maintenance fee for August is \$365. Vouchers for September 2020 – April 2021 will be sent at a later date.

Landscaping: The maintenance of the common grounds is the responsibility of our maintenance crew. They will mow and weeds whack the lawns and trim those bushes that touch upon the roofs. We encourage our homeowners to plant flowers and shrubs within the area that is 3 ¹/₂ feet around their unit. All other landscaping on the common grounds by homeowners will need the approval from the Board.

Roofs: The community is responsible for the repairing and replacing of the roofs and roads in the community. As you may be aware, this year has been a particularly difficult year. Many of our homeowner's roofs have reached the end of their useful life of close to 30 years. Although we budget for an average number of roofs to be repaired or replaced, this past year has

been extraordinary. There were over 50 roofs that needed attention from May 1, 2019 – present. The board has been researching the possibility of a Homeowners Association Loan to finance the balance of the roofs, as well as replace funds that were used from our reserve fund that we needed pay for all of the roof repairs. In addition, the board is considering a few alternative solutions as well. We welcome any help and advice our homeowners would like to offer.

The **Board of Directors** has been monitoring the day to day operation of Hidden Ridge as well as conducting our work from wherever we are. Ben Lorick, and Shelly Kleinberger are both on site during the week with Brian Kudler and Warren Berkowitz joining them on the weekends. I want to thank them for stepping up to the plate and making sure that our community is functioning in the absence of the other Board members who are usually at Hidden Ridge by this time yearly. Special thanks to Fred Hirsh for his remote assistance on several matters. Our deepest gratitude is extended to Lenny Kirschenbaum for all he does for our community!

I am still in Florida but hope to venture north during the next month. As I said in last month's column, it is my fervent hope that I will be serving you a Pina Colada poolside (when permitted)!

Until I see you at Hidden Ridge, stay safe, and stay healthy! Bonnie

From the Editor



Hello, Hidden Ridgers,

I cannot tell you how much I would love to be in the beautiful mountains right now when the weather here in Florida is in the 90's everyday with a lot of humidity!

I miss the flowers, the lakes, the cooler, cleaner air and all of you, distantly. Maybe before Midsummer's Night, we'll get there!

I would be remiss if I didn't say a word about what is going on in this country amid the pandemic. More and more young people have taken to the streets to protest the treatment of African Americans at the hands of the police, after death of George Floyd, may he rest in peace, throughout the states and cities across our nation. We certainly have not resolved the issue in these weeks since Floyd's death, but I do hope we have begun the processes of changing systemic racism in this country.

The reaction to "Black Lives Matter" has been that ALL lives matter. That is true, but, we forget that white lives always did matter. That was never in doubt. And for things to change in the U.S., Caucasian people cannot say, racism is a Black problem and blacks have to fix it. Like my cousin, Simon Glaser shared, I paraphrase here - the focus of white teachers and everyone, for that matter, is not to "raise" up their black students, but to inform their white students how to think, behave and treat everyone.

I appreciate that I should not be politicizing the GEM, but these are different times we are living though and I think we must all take a stand to end racism in our time. I know this is my opinion but I share it willingly and gratefully that I have a platform to do so.

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ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTIONS By Fred Hirsh, Secretary

Under more normal circumstances, the Board would be advising you the date and time of the Annual Meeting of the members of the Hidden Ridge Homeowners Association, Inc. However, presently the Board is attempting to figure out how we can go forward with our annual meeting. Board is looking into various options for conducting this meeting including the possibility of holding the meeting electronically. Once the Board decides how and when the meeting will be held, all members in good standing will receive timely and appropriate notice.

There will be four seats on the Board up for election this year. The Board members whose terms are expiring are:

Brian Kudler Ben Lorick Robbie Schecter Bonnie Siegel

Any member in good standing who is over 19 years of age is eligible to run for the Board. If you are interested, please send a letter expressing your intent to run for the Board by July 10, 2020 to either:

Hidden Ridge Homeowners Association Inc.
c/o Cooper, Arias, LLP
P. O. Box 190
Mongaup Valley, New York 12762

or
Fred Hirsh

7180 E. Ardmore Lane or Factor328@aol.com Tucson, Arizona 85715

Information about the duties and responsibilities of Board members can be found in the Hidden Ridge Declaration and By-Laws that are contained in the Offering Plan. If you do not have a copy of the Offering Plan, the Declaration and By-Laws can be found under the documents tab on the Hidden Ridge web site, www.hiddenridgehoa.org as By-laws (Offering Plan).

Check the GEM and emails for further election information.

MAINTENANCE REQUEST FORMS

ALL requests for exterior maintenance must be written on Maintenance Service Request Forms. Use one form per request. Forms submitted with more than one item on it, will be returned for revision to the homeowner. 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 you have any questions regarding maintenance, please contact Lenny Kirschenbaum or Bonnie Siegel.



A NOTE REGARDING OUR GARBAGE DUMPSTERS

All residents of Hidden Ridge are reminded that garbage is collected on Tuesday and Friday. Household garbage only must be placed in the dumpsters. **Items not placed in the dumpsters will not be collected!** If you are having work done in your unit, please have the contractor make arrangements for disposing of the construction debris. If you have large items such as appliances, beds or furniture, please make arrangements to have the company delivering the new item haul away the old item and the packing for the new item or contact Thompson Sanitation at 845-796-1032 to arrange for a bulk sanitation pick up.



THE RECYCLING SHED IS NOW OPEN

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 **Regular Garbage** Cardboard, paper bags, small books, magazines

Cereal boxes, shoe boxes, soda cartons, etc.

Bottle caps and tops Removed caps

IMPORTANT REMINDER TO MEMBERS WORK ON THE EXTERIOR OF YOUR UNIT By Fred Hirsh

Over the past several months, members have performed or commenced work on the exterior of their unit that required Board approval without obtaining approval from the Board.

Any changes or modifications you are planning to make to the exterior of your unit needs approval of the Board. Before you do any work on the exterior of your unit such as painting a door, changing the windows or doors or basement doors, replacing a storm door. constructing a deck, patio or shed, and/or affixing anything on the exterior of the unit please consult with the Board to determine if you need Board approval before the work commences. ALL WRITING. REOUESTS MUST BE IN Please submit your plans to Ben Lorick or Brian Kudler, Co-Chairs of the Archtectural Control Committee.

Their telephone numbers are on Page 2 of The Gem.

FROM THE PEN OF.... Peter Morello



e was by all accounts a very successful man. As a partner in a major law firm, he had all the trappings of success – custom made suits, Cuban cigars, frequenting the best restaurants, a condo in the Gramercy Park section of Manhattan and the respect of his many clients who sought out his advice on intellectual property matters. He always made sure to have his eyebrows shaped and his fingernails manicured. All of this and more for a man who recently turned thirty-five and still had his whole life ahead of him. What else was there for Alfred Roselli to want in his life?

Well there was one thing come to mention it. Although he had plenty of attention from women and dated on a regular basis, he had never quite found the right woman for himself. He needed a woman with whom he would feel comfortable not only settling down with, but who would meet the strict standards of his immigrant mother who had her own way of looking at the world which was separate and apart from her husband's. Of course she was proud of her Alfred and wanted nothing but the best for him but she wished he would hurry up with things and find a nice girl to settle down with and have children like his older brother, Mario.

Alfred would spend long hours in bars and nightclubs looking for what he called "the perfect woman." There were many eligible women at work who were around his age, but nothing quite clicked. When he first started working at his firm, several of the women referred to him as being a "finocchio from Bensonhurst." Their suspicions centered on his fastidiousness in his appearance and how straight and upright he would sit behind his desk for hours at a time and even the way he walked. Alfred knew all about what people were saying and he wasn't particularly fond of this appellation and considered it an affront to his manhood. He was determined to prove these women wrong – and he did – each and every one of them. He left no woman unturned.

Even with that business out of the way, he was still searching for that elusive perfect woman. He was such a catch and if only the women he met could see it that way then he could settle down. He never wanted for female attention, but it was a certain kind of attention he was after.

Most women were instantly drawn to his Mario Lanza like looks even if he couldn't sing a note and sounded like a rusty hinge when he did try to sing which, fortunately, was not often. Meeting women and getting dates were never an issue for Alfred and he would go through the motions of dating as though it were a boring dead-end job.

It was 12:30 and Alfred was several minutes late for his lunch appointment with another partner in the firm, John Applegate. They met up at the 12th floor elevators and went to a new hole-in-wall restaurant on Madison and 47th Street, three blocks from their office.

After being seated and ordering a drink, John noticed Alfred wasn't his old self and seemed worried with a far away look on his face. "What's wrong Al, you seem preoccupied or something?"

"Look John, you know I've wanted to settle down for a while now but it's so hard to find the perfect woman, you know what I mean?" John smiled and shook his head in agreement.

"I would still be single myself if I were looking for the perfect woman. I mean no one is perfect so you mean perfect for you, right?"

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"Well, I guess so, but I'm picky and I think I deserve the best. I mean I'm a successful, good-looking guy and I want my equal. I don't think I should settle and then spend my days wondering if I made a mistake and there was something better around the corner"

"Al, every time I speak to you you have a different woman who you seem to be crazy about and you think she could be the one for you. Then before you know it, she's gone only to be replaced by another hot prospect. I really wish I were you, Al. You don't know how good you have it. By the way, just what are you looking for in a woman?"

"For one thing she has to be blond. You know I've always had a thing for blonds, and I don't mean something out of a bottle. I'm not too tall so I guess 5'2 to 5'4 would be fine. Oh, and it goes without saying, she has to be put together well – no compromise there. I certainly don't mind if she has a career and is successful but when it comes time to having children, then the career part is over. I make enough and then some so that shouldn't be an issue. She has to be willing to have three children because that's what I've always wanted. And, oh, she really has to be a good cook. I don't mind going out for dinner for special occasions but there's nothing like a home cooked meal. On Sundays, we'll be at my parent's house for dinner and to spend the day there like my brother does. She also has to be willing to live in Brooklyn; there's plenty of nice old houses there where we could live. Outside of that, I'm flexible."

John had a perplexed look on his face as he patiently listened to Alfred's laundry list of requirements. "Are you sure you've covered everything, Al?"

"Well, those are the big ones, I guess. There may be a few more if I give it more thought. You kinda caught me off guard with that question."

"You recently were dating this girl Carole. She seemed real nice and was serious about you and I couldn't help but notice she was a blond. What happened with her," John asked.

"You're right, she was really nice, but she wasn't for me. Would you believe she was okay with having a nanny raise her kids? As for cooking – she made dinner for me once and the rice was crunchy. Give me a break – that was a deal-breaker for me. You don't blame me, do you?"

"Have you tasted my wife Marsha's, cooking? How could I blame you, buddy? What about that chick Brenda you dated about a year ago?"

"She could have been perfect, but she wasn't shapely enough. A little like Olive Oyl, you know. Don't get me wrong, she had a great personality and a beautiful face, but come on, man."

"Didn't she already live in Brooklyn?"

"Yeah, but that was one of the few pluses."

John had a wry smile on his face as he brought his vodka martini to his mouth and took two small sips. "Gee, buddy, you've had it rough, I see. Too bad."

"How long have you and Marsha been married?"

"It's been twelve years and we have two children."

"Wow, that's great, John. Marsha has always seemed so perfect."

"Perfect for me anyway, and that's what matters."

"Oh sure, John. It's gotta be right for the individual."

"Al, I should tell you we have both compromised over the years and it seems to work well on that level. We both feel that's what's necessary for a successful relationship and why it's last-ed."

"I agree, John, but if the woman I'm interested in doesn't suit me in every way then there's nothing to compromise over." *Continued on page 6, column 2*

Cul-de-Sac Liaisons Cul-de-Sac Numbers Liaison

Azaleas	15-25D	Karen Seltzer
Birch	29-43D	Michael Zwicker
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	Michael Valcin
Iris	196-214D	Mariano Ambroselli
Juniper	126-148D	Jeff Lynn
Kerrias	74-96D	Rhoda Hertz
Laurels	44-58D	Robbie Schecter
Magnolias	29-43T	Sheila Cole
Narcissus	45-58T	Joe Gluck
Oaks	28-46T	Randi Berkowitz
Petunias	6-26T	Bonnie Siegel
Roses	8-14D	Karen Seltzer

We offer condolences to friends and family of

Ilya Glaz Howard Marcus Hannah Klein

May their memories be for a blessing.





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Some hour and fifteen minutes later and after a good lunch, John and Alfred made their way back to the office feeling somewhat tipsy. Alfred was deep in thought. Where had he gone wrong in his life? The vast majority of his friends and family members who were his age were married and settled and most had had their first child. He began to worry over the prospect of his life being nothing more than it already was.

For the next eighteen months or so, Alfred muddled through one relationship after the other. All were blonds and with plenty of curves and they were without a doubt, quite attractive if not beautiful. Nonetheless, Alfred was continually disappointed with the outcome and began to think there was no one for him. If only Sheila was better educated – an Associate's Degree in accounting didn't seem just right. Megan could have been a winner if only she were a bit shorter than five foot six. With heels she was a tad taller than Alfred which didn't seem to bother Meghan. Then there was Jennifer – blond, shapely, well-educated, employed as a software engineer and ambitious but her spending habits left Alfred wondering how she ever could make ends meet. On and on it went like a roulette wheel never settling on the number you happened to be betting on.

Alfred didn't seem to notice or be bothered by the fact that he had broken several hearts along the way. He seemed to be always on the look-out for faults in his ladies and at the slightest hint of something that wasn't right, he was already beginning to look in another direction and planning his escape. He wouldn't notice that the woman was falling for him and had many fine qualities that most men in his position, would consider to be a blessing in their pursuit of a wife.

John's mental checklist of his requirements he could rattle off without even taking a breath – height, weight, blond, education, Brooklyn, kids, etc. As soon as he would meet a woman and size up her physical attributes, he would begin what he called "the interview" - feeling her out on various issues so as to not waste his time. Of course, even if she didn't measure up, all wasn't lost; he could still have fun as he pursued the next one and then move on.

On a particularly busy day at the office, Alfred and John crossed paths in the hallway and they began to chat.

"Hey, John, who's that hot blond dish I saw you talking to the other day – a client?"

"No, she's my new administrative assistant, Sarah. I'm just breaking her in and acclimating her to things. It's really a big and involved job, as you know."

Alfred saw an opportunity here and had to explore things further. "Is she single? What's the deal?"

"I was waiting for you to ask," responded John. Yes, she's single and twenty-nine and looking. She has a bachelor's degree in paralegal studies and would like to go to law school and by all accounts, seems to be a very traditional type of woman from a good family. In fact, she still lives with her parents."

"Wow, she sounds like a catch. How about introducing me, John?"

John seemed a little uncomfortable and tried to change the subject, but Alfred got him right back on the topic.

"So how about it, John?"

"Look, we've been friends for several years now, but I really can't introduce you..."

"Why not? I don't see what the problem is – just introduce us and I'll take over from there, that's all," Alfred interrupted seeming somewhat agitated.

"I can't introduce you because when I asked her what she was looking for in a man, she said she wanted "the perfect man."

Terry's Fitness & Health Corner



A Gentle Calorie Burning WORKOUT for these Pandemic "Eating Days" by Terry Steinberg

Suggested 30 minute workout in addition to 2000-5000-10,000 steps a day, during a brisk walk:

On floor mat or towel

1. Crunches 8-15 low sit up crunches, navel to spine always

2. Leg raises 8-20 on each leg; on back lift leg slowly and steadily; do right then left

3. Hip bridges 8-10 times; bend knees raise pelvis/ hips up towards ceiling hold 5 seconds then down slowly. Repeat

Standing Exercises

4. Toe Touches 8-15 reps - stretch and reach knee; reach right hand up TWIST and reach down to left leg; then repeat in opposite direction

5. Weights with 1 or 2 or 3 or 5 lb. weights in each hand repeat these moves:

A. Bicep curls 8-10reps

- B. Hammer curls
- C. Overhead curls "
- D. Triceps curls
- ٢٢ E. Side bends

As with any exercise plan, hydrate, shoulders back, stomach in and check with doctor!!

Stick to this daily, you will look fitter and feel better

Stay safe, follow all health guidelines

Reminders from the Board of Directors

Barbeques: Barbeques may not be used on any front lawn and emptying coal on any common area is prohibited. (A fire, extinguisher is recommended nearby.) You



may use the barbeque away from your unit in the rear of your house. Never leave a barbeque unattended.

Outdoor Furniture: May be left on the grass areas. However, please move it to allow for lawn care from our maintenance crew/landscapers. Please do not leave outdoor furniture outside during the winter months.



ALLAN'S ALLEY



submitted by Allan Meyers

HOW IS THIS NIGHT DIFFERENT ?

My mother's parents ran their Passover Seder "Litvak" style, taken from their Lithuanian roots. Grandma Judelson made an abundance of delicious food. The gefilte fish was served hot and spiced with garlic, salt and pepper. There was a roast chicken, nuts and Passover cakes on the table. Grandpa Judelson recited the Haggadah in a melodic soft tone and sang all the songs gleefully.

My father's parents ran their Passover Seder "Galitzianer" style taken from their Austria-Hungarian roots. The family voted Grandma Meyers to be 'the world's worst cook'. Her borscht and gefilte fish were inedible. Thankfully, my Aunt Ruth would save the day with her outstanding veal cutlet and boiled potato dripping in chicken fat (schmaltz). In his tradition, Grandpa Meyers recited the Haggadah monotone and chanted his songs sweetly.

When I had my own family, our Passover Seder became much shorter and Adrienne would cook way too much food. One year, an associate of mine, Peter, called to tell me that he had missed his flight to England. So, in the spirit of Passover I invited him to our house. When I told Adrienne, she panicked. Although it was only one extra person, put up an extra 8-pound pot roast.

Today, my oldest son Robert, who has four sons and never less than 25 people at any given Holiday, has modernized the Haggadah and the Seder with English storytelling and gourmet Passover-themed food. I think my grandparents, who loved America, would be proud to see their great-grandchildren embrace our traditions in a modern way.

The old joke is that Passover is "late this year" or "it's early this year," but it never seems to come 'on time'.

This year, however, it came at a 'unique time." How would be able to hold our Seder quarantined to our homes?

As electronics and social media is not my ken, the day before Passover my grandson Jonathan (number 4 of 7) called me by FaceTime, told me to get out my laptop (I have a laptop) and I followed his instructions and downloaded a new program, ZOOM.

To my delight, on the first night of Passover, we had our first virtual seder. All 9 grandchildren, 3 children, husbands, wives and *mishpucha* were present from sea to shining sea. Robert conducted the Seder from the family Haggadah and everyone had a part. I even hid the Afikomen and surprising, not one grandchild was able to find it.

In thinking about the Holiday, all versions of the Seder from my grandparents to ZOOM are equally my favorite. They are all wonderful as they have one thing in common ... my beautiful family and friends were together.

Next year I'd like for all of you to come to our Seder.

The Poet's Corner



Springtime now... frozen clock hands Months March April May cascade spiral down- constant nightmare headlines monstrous virus targeting human species springtime 2020!

Relentless chaos petrifies, freezes us in space-in place before during, afterwards. Pair of species holds hands enters Noah's ark terrified trapped isolated, reschedules reorders routines ...

Maintains sanity floats in customized cocoon amid inner space capsule wearing double masks goggles, timeless endless hours days weeks- bored restless disoriented, destiny unknown gathers lifetimes in cocooned pods...

Events paused before...family gatherings, facials, lunches shopping at malls- morbidity mortality tick tock death tolls/depersonalized anvil swoops down- swipes cells, engorges organs drowns breath claims souls. Grinning thief of the night steals life hope, health freezes passages of time. Indiscriminate malevolent forceful covid 19 chokes, drains arteries depersonalizes dissolves penetrates sweet center as victims gasp, whimper become incoherent...

Unspeakable grief overwhelming loss, dread and emptiness persists...

Awaken to clapping clanging chaos of gratitude. Reenter retrace cleanse altered world.

Reorder novel reality. Date unknown.

Written by Janet at 8P.M. Saturday as time passes



HOLIDAY GREETINGS REMINDER

Collection for the 2020 holiday greetings began in January. There are 2 more

opportunities to share your greetings with your neighbors - Rosh Hashanah/Yom Kippur, and Christmas/Chanukah/Kwanzaa. If you would like to participate, complete the form below and send to the editor with a check for \$3.00. Thank you to all who have contributed in the past. We look forward to seeing your names listed here in September! Send to: Linda

Please complete this form and submit with \$3 to Linda Solomon, GEM Editor-in-Chief 6675 Overland Drive, Delray Beach, FL 33484...

Name(s) (as you want it to appear in the Holiday Greetings)

Your Name

HR Address

IMPORTANT INFORMATION From Robbie Schecter and Lenny Kirschenbaum

EMERGENCY, MAINTENANCE & VENDOR CALL LIST

(tear off this column for future use)

Many Hidden Ridgers have been calling HOA President, Bonnie Siegel and/or Property Manager, Lenny Kirschenbaum with emergency, maintenance and private vendor issues. We have compiled the call list below to assist all residing at Hidden Ridge in directing your calls appropriately. We appreciate your concerns, but your needs will be more quickly and efficiently addressed by calling for emergency services and vendors directly.

1. FOR TRUE EMERGENCIES, CALL 911.

This includes police, fire and medical emergencies. Additionally, you can reach State Police: (845) 292-6600 and the Monticello Sheriff's Office: (845)794-7100.

2. For pest control:

HR has a contract that includes home interior service. Call Ehrlich Pest Control (845)421-8020 to make arrangements, and be sure to tell them that you are a member of the Hidden Ridge HOA.

3. For TV or internet service:

If your provider is Spectrum (Time Warner Cable) call (855) 707-7328. If you use another provider, your recent bill should have a current phone number.

4. For power issues or outages:

Call NYSEG: (800)572-1131.

5. To report a stray or loose dog:

Call Town of Thompson Dog Control Officer, Nancy Marinchak (845) 796-4237.

6. For Hidden Ridge maintenance issues:

(Cul-de-Sac/street light outage, issues with gutters, retaining walls, general maintenance, etc.) please complete a Maintenance Request Form and place it in the Maintenance Box attached to the bulletin board near Friedman Road entrance.

7. For sewer problems and/or water issues: Contact Bonnie Siegel (917) 969-9646.



DOG REGISTRATION

The following rules concerning dogs have been accepted into our documents. All residents (owners and renters) are to adhere to the following:

• Homeowners and renters are to register their dogs (including service dogs as well as those visiting for a short time) 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.

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

STOP! Before you call....

The Board is made up of a group of dedicated volunteers who have agreed to serve our community. Some of us live here full time, while others of us are seasonal residents. We like to enjoy our community and our lives just the way everyone else does. We are requesting that we receive phone calls during normal business hours only unless you have a true emergency. Calls,

emails and texts after 5 PM or on weekends will be read or listened to and responded to the next business day unless it is a true emergency. This applies to the property manager as well.



Thank you for your cooperation.



HIDDEN RIDGE DIRECTORY **INFORMATION SHEET**

The Summer 2020 Directory will be updated this coming month and to residents shortly thereafter. Please complete the following form and return it to Bonnie Siegel at siegelmath@aol.com. If previously sent, return this form only if there are any recent changes. Questions? Call Bonnie 917-969-9646.

Name:

Hidden Ridge Address:

Phone:

The following information will be kept confidential. However, it will be included in the Hidden Ridge Directory if you check the appropriate line(s). Please indicate below.

I want my alternate address/es and phone numbers included in the Hidden Ridge Directory.

Alternate Address:

Phone:

I want my cell phone number/s included in the Hidden Ridge Directory.

Cell Phone: _____Cell Phone: _____

I want my email address/es included in the Hidden Ridge Directory.

Email Address #1: _____

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I want my birthday/s (list name/date for more than one) and anniversary listed in the GEM

Birthday_____

Anniversary _____

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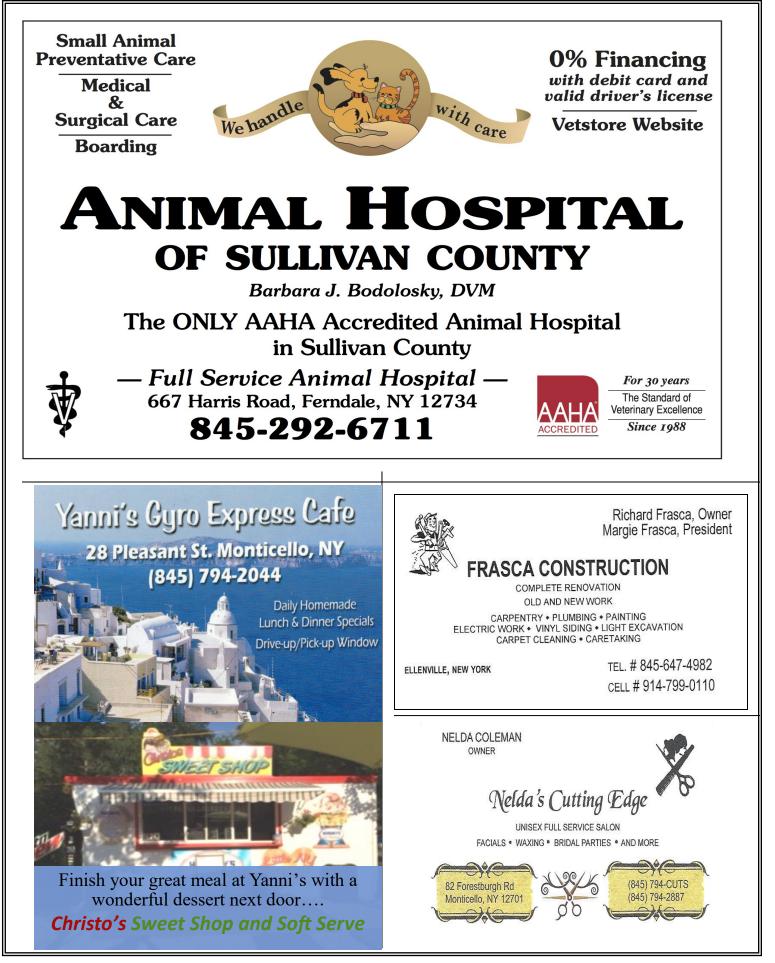
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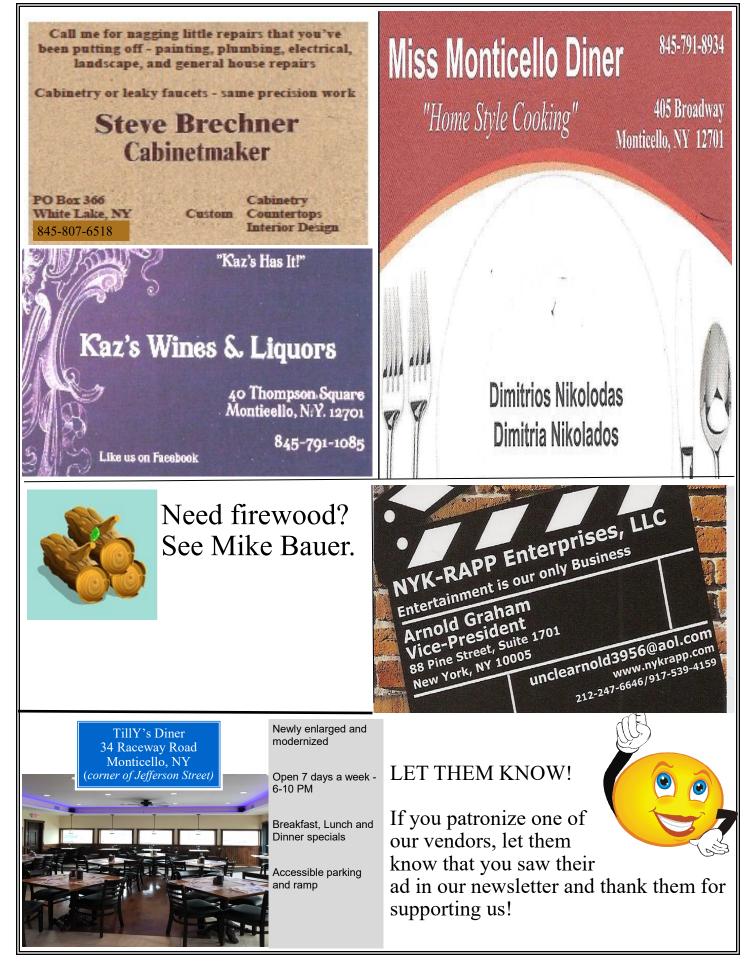
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Hidden Ridge needs you!

The Board of Directors request that you as a resident of Hidden Ridge sign up for one or more of our committees. Please consider offering your expertise and experience to our community.

Please contact the following liaisons for:

- Audit, Budget and Finance Committee Warren Berkowitz
- Beautification Robbie Schecter
- Bi-Laws Committee Fred Hirsh and Brian Kudler
- Community Activities Warren Berkowitz

We look forward to hearing from you and working with you. Thank you.

"No one can do everything; but, everyone can do something."