



Letter from the President

Nothing of lasting value can be accomplished without sacrifice. I relearned that crucial lesson recently when I found out that the Butterfield Homeowner's Association, an institution that I had previously taken for granted, was about to be dissolved if someone did not step up to the plate and sacrifice some of their personal time and money to make a difference for their community. I offered myself up for the position, and you voted me in as your new President. And for that, I thank you.

But this is only the beginning. Without further investments of time and money by myself, my fellow board members, and the active members of the Association, things about this subdivision that we have taken for granted – such as the beautifully well lit, maintained and decorated signs at each of our major entrances, people working diligently behind the scenes to keep our living costs low, and this free newsletter – will cease to exist, as will any semblance of community unity. The BHOA is the only organized body representing the Butterfield subdivision, and without it we have no voice – maintain our distinctive identity. In order to maintain our independence, not to mention our lower tax rates and other advantages we enjoy as an unincorporated entity, we must remain united and stand together as one to keep Butterfield a unique place to live. And in order to continue doing this, we must have your help.

In this newsletter, we will be including a survey. Please take a few minutes and fill it out, as without your important feedback, we cannot serve you and your needs effectively. Also, please consider attending our semimonthly meetings, where your vote can make a significant difference in the quality of life for yourself and for everyone in our subdivision. We meet every other month on the third Thursday of the month at the Fountain of Life Church (the old Glen Park School, for those of you who have been around for a while). The next meeting will be held on June 20th.

Finally, please visit our website at <http://www.mybhoa.com>, and like our new Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/bhoatoday>. You can also contact me anytime at 630-627-4845, or doug@dougelwell.com with questions, suggestions or comments on how we can better serve you.

Thanks,

Douglas Elwell, President
Butterfield Homeowner's Association

Butterfield East News

May 2013

Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:43 pm

New Board Members: President Douglas Elwell, Vice-President Connie Poulos Loos, Secretary Demetrius Bunch, and Treasurer Susan Bosch were all present. There were Approximately 15 homeowners who were in attendance.



Minutes from the March meeting were accepted.

Landscaping/Marquee:

The question was raised should there be any formal committees developed such as a Landscaping Committee. President Elwell asked if anyone would be interested in heading the landscaping committee. Vice President Poulos Loos volunteered to assist in recommending perennials for the 22nd street and Lloyd entries. An attendee commented that Landscaping improves the look of the neighborhood and that entry ways are the first impression when people enter the subdivision.

One committee member asked why there isn't a marquee at the Finley street entrance. The response was that the original plan was to only build a marquee at the Lloyd street entrance because of its deterioration.

Website:

Since there is not a formal website committee, President Elwell currently manages it. It was asked if **Facebook** could take the place of the website. One of the attendees pointed out that some of the original problems with the website were the plethora of forums where it became unmanageable. It was stated that the website was to be used to save previous newsletters. The concern by many homeowners is whether the website should be private for members only or for public access as well. Treasurer Bosch suggests that the forum could be used as a networking system or a way to get to know your neighbor or even to advertise goods to individuals within the community.

Community Survey:

There will be a needs assessment survey provided to residents to evaluate the true needs and desires of the community.

New Business:

Bob Darski volunteered to be one of the individuals to help audit the books.

The Board wants to know from the homeowners where do we go from here in the next 2 years. Board members stated that the goal is to create more family oriented activities. Long term residents have stated that, many years ago, the subdivision had many activities offered to the entire family which gave everyone a sense of community. It was suggested that the upcoming survey be a tool to determine the interests of residents. Surveys will likely be a part of the forthcoming newsletter where raffle tickets will be offered.

The committee embraced ideas from attendees on how to increase membership. One suggestion is to offer a web based Paypal or Credit Card System for new members.

Post cards will be mailed as a promotional effort to solicit more members. Dues will not be increased for those who are interested in joining the BHOA.

How to improve Butterfield Standard of Living? One suggestion is to encourage people to do holiday decorations and compete with neighbors in a positive fashion.

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Minutes (continued)

Residents have noticed that there have not been any tornado warning sirens within the subdivision. One attendee indicated there is a siren near Lexington, however not loud enough since many homeowners have double paned windows and sidings which prevent incoming sounds to enter homes. President Elwell indicated he would look into a tornado siren and that he would speak to the Lombard Fire Chief to see how we can pursue this effort. He implied that we should consider improving safety such as the tornado siren this year, and that the surveys which will go out in the coming months will help to determine the real needs of the community.

The Defense Funds was a discussion. The question is should we have an attorney to assist in determining how to utilize the funds? The moneys were never returned to the homeowners who contributed. Treasurer Bosh will investigate if we have lawful rights to retain the funds or make use of the funds based on the recommendations received from the homeowners.

Treasurer Bosh informed the attendees that the annual expense of the committee is \$6000, and that we currently have about \$24,000 secured. It was suggested to expend the funds with the input of the homeowners to avoid tax liability.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:27 pm.

Advertising Information



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You can also access the survey on our website at <http://mybhoa.com> and click on the "Surveys" link on the bottom right side of the page under the "Site" menu. If you do not have Internet access, please call the President at 630-627-4845, and leave your name and address, and we will be happy to mail you a copy of the survey. Your investment of only a few minutes' time can make a positive difference in the quality of life in your neighborhood.

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Super Walmart?

I just learned that there is a possibility that the Walmart on Route 53 and Butterfield Road will be converted to a Super Walmart next year.

Current plans call for construction to begin late this year. However, these plans are tentative.

Permits have been applied for, and some have been granted.

I will let you know of further developments as I learn of them. If you have any information to share with other residents, please let me know.

Penny Ziembra



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- I will supply the garage sale signs mounted on sticks
- I will place the newspaper ads to advertise the community garage sale
 - I will supply a printed list of homes and address with maps
 - I will supply balloons (weather permitting)

Neighbors, you supply the stuff to sell, let's de-clutter our homes, lets keep Butterfield East Beautiful!
Neighbors if you would like to participate in the Community garage sale,

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Gratefully, Christina Becker (your neighbor & Real Estate Broker)

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I was asked by a new homeowner why the street numbers are either 2S... or 21W... here in Butterfield East.

The 21W stands for the fact that we are 21 miles west of State Street in Chicago; and the 2S means that we are 2 miles south of Madison Street in Chicago. The reason this numbering system was adopted is that we are an unincorporated part of DuPage County.

Our neighbors in Lombard have their numbers determined by their location from Main Street and St. Charles Road. The Butterfield East developer named the streets and they seemed to like birds and places in England, as well as someone named Glen.

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Electronic Recycling

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Call 630-682-4270 with any questions.

Wood Chips

Wood chips are available through Milton Township. This program helps keep landfills from filling up and provides usable product to residents for landscaping around their homes.

Call 630-682-4270 for additional information.

Milton Township

Milton Township recently mailed out the 2013 Homeowner's Handbook. This booklet contains helpful information on recycling programs, permits, brush pickup, parking, mailbox installation guidelines, street sweeping, and other pertinent township programs.

If you did not receive your copy, call Milton Township at 630-682-4270.

Free Brush Pick-Up

On Monday, May 6, Milton Township will pick up brush. They have a brush chipper designed to chip limbs and branches that do not qualify as yard waste. The equipment is not designed to grind small twigs and evergreen trimmings.

Your brush must be tied in bundles with twine and put out by the curb. Do not use wire to tie your bundles. Brush should be no longer than 4' long and 3" in diameter. Also, bundles must not weigh over 25 lbs.

Place brush by the curb no later than 7:00 a.m. The Highway Department will come by sometime during the week to pick up your brush.



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Free classes are offered through Milton Township. Contact Ralph Hinkle at 630-668-1616 for more information.

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