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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Grace under Pressure



By Doug Elwell, President
Butterfield Homeowners Association

*He's a rebel and a runner, he's a signal turning green
He's a restless young romantic, wants to run the big machine...
Learning to match the beat of the Old World Man
Learning to catch the heat of the Third World Man
He's a New World Man...
— Rush, "New World Man"*

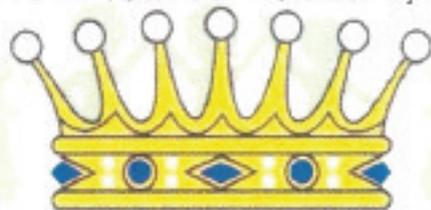
Recent events in the history of the BHA have placed the board and some of the members under pressure. This pressure has built up to the point where we have determined that important decisions will once again have to be made regarding what direction that we want the BHA to go. Shall we retain the old ways, or move forward and embrace change? Or, should we compromise, to attempt to reconcile the best of both the old world and the new? These are the questions I and the other board members have had to wrestle with over the past several months. Perhaps Ernest Hemingway said it best when he said, "Courage is grace under pressure." We can now safely say that we have experienced this truism first hand, and are the better for having endured it.

Having stabilized the situation in our first year, retaining the best of the old BHA, we are now striving to create a new and better organization using the best of the new in order to move the organization forward once more. One giant step to achieve our goal of getting the organization moving forward again is by proposing changes to the by-laws. We are proposing these changes in order to clarify more precisely the role and authority of the Executive Board and its members, so that the Board can properly execute on the will of the membership, in an environment that is conducive not only to progressive thinking, but also gives us the power and flexibility that we need in order to efficiently and effectively bring the objectives of you, the BHA membership, to life. You can read these new proposed changes starting on page 12 of this newsletter.

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>> Letter from the President (Continued from page 1)

Also, gone are the days when we need to worry about whether or not the BHA will have enough money to pay its bills. Though we are far from rich, we have so much money in our savings and related accounts that we have slated a special vote at our next meeting, on May 15th, to determine what to do with it all. On top of that, our newsletter advertising was so successful last year that we actually turned a small profit! Though that sounds good on the face of it, turning a profit is not desirable for a non-profit organization, nor is keeping large amounts of cash on reserve, so please attend our next meeting and enlighten us with your ideas on how we can spend your money to help make Butterfield a better place to live.

Also, we are pleased to announce two new columns that will appear regularly in our newsletter: "Connie's Corner", where our Vice President, Connie Poulos Loos, will present helpful information and advice for homeowners, and "Getting Your Money's Worth in Butterfield", by Treasurer Bob Garstki, who will review the many hidden treasures that Butterfield and the surrounding area have to offer to our residents. And we are also bringing back an old favorite, "Did You Know That...", which lists little known and forgotten facts from the history of Butterfield.

Future issues will also include more interesting information about new BHA initiatives for this year, and more of what you have requested in our surveys, such as more news about Butterfield and things that affect Butterfield, useful information about family living in Butterfield, activities for folks of all ages, and more. Our new Butterfield Historical Society committee will also be providing some interesting articles on the history of Butterfield, and some more surprises, so stay tuned. 🌟

New Meeting Schedule

Due to the fact that the Butterfield Park District board meetings occur on the second Thursday of every month, some members have requested that we modify our board meeting schedule to avoid conflicting with their board meeting schedule. So, here is the revised meeting schedule for the remainder of 2014:

- May 15th
- July 17th
- September 18th
- November 20th 🌟

Connie's Corner



By Connie Poulos Loos,
Vice President, Butterfield
Homeowners Association

Homeowner tips from
Coldwell Bankers Sellers Resources:

SMALL UPGRADES THAT GO A LONG WAY

No one wants to spend a fortune when it comes to selling a home, but most want to spruce up a few areas to make their property more appealing to potential buyers. There are several types of small improvements individuals can make that can transform the look of a home without forcing them to break the bank. When it comes to making home upgrades, it's important that sellers remember to go for simple, clean improvements that make homes look more modern and elegant.

NEW COUNTERTOPS

One of the first areas sellers often focus on when making improvements is their kitchen, and rightly so. Buyers may examine a kitchen space more closely than bedrooms and bathrooms because this is the area where a family will spend the majority of its time. However, unless there is significant damage to the room, sellers may not need to renovate the entire kitchen. Instead, small changes, such as replacing the countertops with a nicer material may be enough to give the area a newer and fresher look, according to AOL Real Estate. Owners should consider using materials that are common in neighboring homes. A buyer may be less likely to purchase a home with tile countertops when the surrounding homes on the market all feature granite or marble.

NEW DOORS

Many homeowners overlook the appeal of new front, back and side doors, but these features are some of the first that buyers see when they pull up to a home. Adding a new door or painting the current ones to make them stand out can make the home feel more welcoming. In addition, adding new handles and locks can make buyers

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MEETING MINUTES: MARCH 13, 2014

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m.

Attendees

President Doug Elwell, Vice President Connie Poulos Loos, Secretary Demetrius Bunch, Treasurer Bob Garstki, and 14 members.

Approved Motions

- A motion was approved for McCarty Brothers Lawn-care to take care of landscaping needs around the entrance signs.
- A motion was passed to move the regular meeting date back to the 3rd Thursday of the month to avoid conflicting with the Butterfield Park District board meetings, which take place on the 2nd Thursday of every month.

Pledge of Allegiance

Election

President Doug Elwell, Vice President Connie Poulos Loos, and Treasurer Bob Garstki ran unopposed, and were re-elected as officers for 2014. Gloria Atkins was nominated for and elected as the new Secretary for 2014.

Police Report

Cpl. Mike Shehee, DuPage County Sheriff's Office, reported that there were two minor incidents. Three vans were broken into, but nothing was stolen.

Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the January 2014 meeting were approved as published in the newsletter.

Officer and Committee Reports

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Bob Garstki provided a summary of account activities since the last meeting:

ASSETS

- Checking account\$9,660.96
- Money Market (Defense Fund)\$5,222.24
.....Interest earned YTD (\$0.42)
- CD (Defense Fund)\$8,138.89
- CD (Defense Fund)\$4,812.34
- TOTAL ASSETS\$27,834.43

INCOME AND EXPENSES

FOR JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2014

INCOME:

- 2014 member dues deposited in Jan & Feb (124 households):\$3,100.00
- Ad revenue from Dec. 2013 & Feb. 2014 (deposited in 2014):\$650.00
- Total Income:\$3,750.00

EXPENSES:

Printing costs for:

- Budget flyer (278 copies):\$124.00
- Membership Drive Card (739 copies):\$101.00
- February Newsletter (298 copies – 16 pages):\$323.02
- Postage acct. deposit (deposited to our post office acct.)\$609.20 (Note: we have a credit balance of \$363.01 in our postage account with the post office)
- Check paid to landscaper from October, 2013, cashed in January, 2014:\$70.00
- Total Expenses:\$1,227.22

WELCOME WAGON COMMITTEE REPORT

No report was presented.

MARKETING COMMITTEE REPORT

An expanded marketing report was presented as part of New Business.

LANDSCAPING COMMITTEE REPORT

Todd Jacobson, Chair of the Landscaping Committee, presented his research on several landscaping contractors, with an eye on both cost, quality, and whether or not they were licensed, bonded and insured. One of the companies presented, Competitive Lawn Service, had forwarded a quote of \$37.00 per cutting. McCarty Brothers Lawncare had forwarded a quote of \$25.00 per cutting, and also provided proof of insurance. A motion was then forwarded and approved to hire McCarty Brothers Lawncare to provide the services of trimming, mowing and litter pickup around the entrances to our subdivision at Lloyd and Gray.

Unfinished Business

Jon Thomas presented his findings from the 2013 audit. There were no irregularities identified and nothing unusual was found.

New Business

REVIEW OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURES

President Elwell reviewed proper Parliamentary Procedures and defined the term “motion”, including “punitive motions” and when their use is and is not appropriate, including a presentation of actual examples from history as a reference.

OFFICIAL BHA COMMUNICATIONS POLICY STATEMENT

President Elwell communicated the official policy for publishing in the newsletter, website, and all BHA communications. They are as follows:

- All members are free to submit information for publication, but all submissions for print, website, or any other publication by the BHA must be approved by the President and Vice President prior to publication.
- The board retains the right to not allow the publication of any information, particularly factually incorrect, unproven, libelous, or any material that may be injurious to any person or entity, for any or for no reason.
- This also applies to the minutes, where no information that could be injurious to the character of one or more of the members or any persons or entities shall be pub-

lished unless it is required as part of an approved motion. The board retains the right to not allow the publication of any information, particularly factually incorrect, unproven, libelous, or any material that may be injurious to any person or entity, for any or for no reason.

MARKETING INITIATIVES FOR 2014

President Elwell shared the results of a survey requesting feedback regarding the new, redesigned newsletter. He stated that if anyone wants to publish an article to let him know. He also explained how some editorial is included in the newsletter partly as filler, because the number of pages for the newsletter must be a number that is divisible by four to meet printing and binding requirements. President Elwell asked if people enjoyed the editorial content or not. One attendee stated that the activities in the new “Family Fun” section were very enjoyable and would like to see more of them. The President asked for remarks regarding the length of the last newsletter and any reservations regarding the use of his picture along with his commentary, and no one expressed any concerns. There was one attendee who suggested that the forthcoming minutes be abbreviated. President Elwell also solicited

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BUTTERFIELD NEWS

Bucky's Files Lawsuit in an Attempt to "Void" DuPage County Vote on Gas Station at Route 53 and Butterfield Road

On December 10, 2013, DuPage County Board members voted 14 to 4 against allowing a permit for Buchanan Energy, a privately held energy company based in Omaha, Nebraska, to build a "mega gas station". This gas station would have been open 24 hours a day, and would have included 20 gas pumps (including diesel), a 6800-square-foot "Bucky's" convenience store, and a 112-foot car wash building. They also stated their intention to pursue a liquor license, which would have effectively turned the corner of Route 53 and Butterfield Road into a 24-hour truck stop and convenience store where people could purchase liquor.

However, the lot of land that this "mega gas station" would have been built on adjoins the Butterfield Park District building and community pool, which opponents to the measure argued would significantly raise airborne benzene levels from vehicle re-fueling and exhaust in the area. They also pointed out that the Department of Health and Human Services has determined that "long-term exposure to high levels of benzene in the air can cause leukemia, cancer of the blood-forming organs," and that the American Cancer Society has stated that "benzene is known to cause cancer, based on evidence from studies in both people and laboratory animals". This

point was particularly important, as the community pool is popular with local children, who are particularly vulnerable to these sorts of toxins.



The open lot at the corner of Route 53 and Butterfield Road, where Buchanan Energy sought unsuccessfully to build a "mega gas station". This lot sits right next to the Butterfield Park District building and community pool.

Additionally, it was argued, this intrusive development would destroy the pleasant experience that park visitors and program participants have come to enjoy. Green-space would have been eliminated and replaced by brick, asphalt, noise, fumes, and easy accessibility to alcohol. A precious urban retreat would have been spoiled, replaced by a concrete eyesore.

There were also a number of other arguments, including but not limited to:

- Substantially increased traffic congestion, including truck traffic, on an already crowded intersection. This would have been aggravated by increased traffic from the nearby proposed Super WalMart.
- Increased potential for flooding in an area already struggling with this issue.
- Creation of a nuisance and detriment to the comfort and general welfare of our community.
- Diminished value of homes in the vicinity.

Despite this victory, on March 10th, 2014, Buck's Inc. and the owners of the lot in question, Nicolette R. Bauer and Raymond Bozicnick, requested in a federal lawsuit that a judge "void" the decision of the DuPage County Board and unilaterally force them to issue a permit to allow them to build their "mega gas station", despite the protests of local residents. Board members continue to reject this, and plan instead to purchase the land for use by the Park District which serves not only Butterfield, but also parts of unincorporated Lombard and Glen Ellyn. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Dr. Lawrence Reiner, Executive Director of the Butterfield Park District, at 630-858-2229, x12, email: larry@butterfieldpd.com ●

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BUTTERFIELD NEWS

The “Better Government Association” (BGA) Proposes Eliminating Township-Level Government

Recently a local organization called the Better Government Association (BGA) held a forum that was open to the public where they proposed the idea of eliminating township-level government (Butterfield is divided between two townships, Milton Township and York Township).

According to the BGA website, “The BGA hosted an Idea Forum on government consolidation at National Louis University in Lisle, Illinois on Monday, February 24, as part of its efforts to promote the “Smart Streamlining” of government units in Illinois.” (BGA Events: “Smart Streamlining: DuPage County Idea Forum”).

However, attendee Robert Porter, who once served as supervisor of Lemont Township, said that many of these governmental units were purposely created by local residents to provide services that they were not receiving from state, county and city government: “They were generated by residents and citizens who felt they weren’t getting adequate services from their larger units of government,” said Porter, adding the larger units are municipalities, counties and the state. ‘These things were almost all driven by referendum,’ he said.” (Robert Sanchez, “Experts discuss government consolidation at Lisle forum,” Daily Herald, February 25, 2014).

There is some concern that this will result in fewer, lower-quality services at higher prices for the people of Butterfield. If you are interested in learning more, you can contact the BGA at (312) 821-9026, and your local townships here:

York Township: (630) 620-2400
Milton Township: (630) 668-1616
Or visit our website at bhatoday.com to learn more.

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ADVERTISING INFORMATION

Advertising in our newsletter is a great way to get the word out about your local business or service! And you do not need to be an association member or even be a resident of Butterfield to advertise! So, if you have a friend or relative looking to increase their business, please tell them about advertising in our newsletter!

The June issue is a special issue that goes out to over 800 Butterfield residents! Space in this issue is limited, so please reserve your ad space as soon as possible in order to ensure your position. Here are our special June rates:

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Full Page.....	\$120.00
(Full page ad includes free website ad for 1 month)	
1/2 Page	\$75.00
1/4 Page	\$35.00
1/8 Page (business card)	\$20.00
Website ad	\$10.00

Format: PDFs or high resolution JPEGs are best. We can also place your ad on our website, www.bhatoday.com, for only \$10.00! Or you can purchase or upgrade to a full page ad and receive a website ad absolutely free! The ad deadline for the June issue is Wednesday, May 15, 2014. Payment must be delivered with advertisement. Make checks payable to **Butterfield Homeowners Association** and mail to:

Butterfield Homeowners Association
Bob Garstki, Treasurer
2S154 Valley Rd
Lombard, IL 60148

GETTING YOUR MONEY'S WORTH IN BUTTERFIELD

Available Library Choices for Residents of Butterfield



By Bob Garstki, Treasurer
Butterfield Homeowners Association

If you are new to Butterfield you may not be aware of your options in regards to public libraries for residents such as yourself. Public libraries are generally supported by local governmental taxing bodies. In

case you were unaware, the public library district boundaries of the Helen Plum Library happen to mostly coincide with the village of Lombard boundaries. Does this mean that village residents receive the HPL services as a perk from the village at no extra charge? The answer is no. For residents of the village of Lombard, their DuPage County property tax bills automatically tax them for the library district, whether or not they wish to use these services. They cannot opt out of the library district or its tax. However, as Butterfield residents, we are in unincorporated Lombard. So we are not in the Helen Plum Library district. And therefore, we are not taxed for the library and its services and resources.

College of DuPage Library

So, what library resources do Butterfield residents have available to us and our children who live here with us? Well, we are all paying taxes to the College of DuPage District 502. And, COD has borrowing privileges to all residents of District 502 whether or not they are registered as students at the college. Our borrowing privileges are somewhat less than what is available to their student body, but they are actually pretty good. And most importantly, they are free to all of us.

I will attempt to touch on some of the highlights of the services that we can avail for ourselves at the COD Library.

Any adult resident 18 or older with proper proof of residency eligibility may apply for a library card at the library as a Community Member. As Community Members, we may borrow any materials which normally circulate except personal materials which have been placed on Reserve.

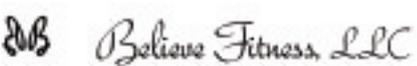
COD is an Academic Library and so that focus dictates their collection attributes. I would encourage you to go to www.cod.edu/library and click on "ABOUT US." There is

a lot of information there, plus clicking on "POLICIES" will bring you to many other options. Clicking on "LIBRARY COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT POLICY" can help explain the C.O.D. collection. There is also a link to click on for the "2012 LIBRARY FACT SHEET." A few of the numbers that were given to me by the library staff from the 2013 FACT Sheet include these statistics on the number of items that are available in their collection:

- **Books:** 227,850 (which includes holdings in various locations like Juvenile, Graphic Novels, Paperbacks, College & Career Collection, etc.)
- **Electronic Books:** 15,450
- **Streaming Media:** 1,005
- **Musical Recordings & Audiobooks:** 21,150
- **Video Recordings, which includes DVDs:** 28,200
- **Popular movies on DVD** are checked out for one week and there is no charge for the rental.

Their Juvenile collection has approximately 3,600 items, some of those items being videos and reference books.

Community Members have a limit of 20 concurrent checkouts and a limit of 10 holds. This information is available on the main Library web page in the right col-



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umn by clicking on "COMMUNITY MEMBERS."

If you have more questions, you are welcome to call the Reference Desk phone 630-942-3364 at the COD library. They are available at the Desk at all the times the Library is open, plus they have this "Ask A Librarian" email possibility and Chat.

Helen M. Plum Memorial Library

That is great, but if after checking out the resources that are available at COD's library, you may decide that you wish to have even more resources at your disposal. And, if you would like to avail yourself and your family of possibly a greater width and breath of available, current books, a substantially greater selection of juvenile materials and available multimedia more pertinent to your family's needs than is offered by COD, you do still have the option of voluntarily becoming an annual, non-resident member of the Helen Plum Library.

I contacted the Helen Plum Library for information on their resources. Here is a summary of those factors that they say differentiate them from the COD library.

The essential thing to remember about the COD library is that it exists to support the courses taught at COD. As such, they might not have as strong a collection, or as many copies, of very popular items that are non-academic. For instance, they would have less se-

lection, and fewer copies, of materials in the area of recreational reading for all ages, such as best sellers or story books for children. I would expect to find fewer consumer-related materials, for example. And HPL has types of things they might not have. HPL has collections of Playaways (which are pre-loaded digital audio players), video games, puppets and puzzles for little children, teen materials, and iPads that are pre-loaded with children's educational games. The Plum Library also buys multiple copies of novels and best sellers, which they presume COD might not do.

HPL sells family library cards on an annual fee basis, based on the "Net Taxable Value" (NTV) of any given property outside of the HPL district. HPL's tax rate for 2013 (taxes payable in 2014) is \$0.2513 per \$100 of the homeowners "Net Taxable Value" as shown on their most recent DuPage County Property Tax Bill.

For example, if the "NPV" is \$73,740. Then that family would have to pay approximately \$185.31 for an annual fee. If the "NPV" is \$85,500. Then that family would have to pay approximately \$214.86 for an annual fee.

Note, the fees that out of district members pay is identical to that of an in-district resident, except that they have the choice of paying it each year, or not, unlike taxes.

Please visit the library's website, www.helenplum.org for more information or visit the HPL in Lombard which is located at 110 Maple Street to check out the facility and speak to their personnel for more complete evaluation of their facility and resources. You can also call 630-627-0316 for additional information. ☺



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Ladies – Spring Fitness Classes start April 8th

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Spring 2014 Session starts Tuesday, April 8th

Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays
9:15 to 10:30 a.m.
at Peace Lutheran Church
21W500 Butterfield Road in Lombard

Questions? Contact me, Dimitra Cornwell at dvasilop2002@yahoo.com, or call Peace Lutheran Church at 630-627-1101

>> *Connie's Corner (Continued from page 3)*

feel more secure. Doors are relatively inexpensive, and can be installed by the owners themselves with little effort.

REPLACE HARDWARE AND FIXTURES

Old, ruddy cabinet handles, kitchen spouts and light fixtures can be a turn off to buyers and make the home seem outdated. Replacing these fixtures with modern, top-of-the-line hardware is a simple and affordable solution that can be done quickly. Most home improvement stores carry a variety of fixtures and hardware, and owners can compare costs easily by doing some research online. While homeowners are seeking out new fixtures, they may also examine paint samples to freshen up the colors in their home and make it more inviting. ☺

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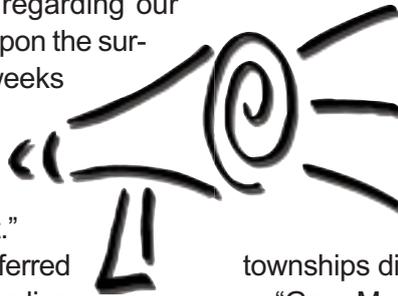
The Speak Out! column is your opportunity to anonymously speak your opinion about how you feel things are going with the BHA, Butterfield subdivision, and related topics. If you wish to speak out, please send use the contact form on our website at www.bhatoday.com/contact, or send a letter to: BHA Today, 2S104 Avondale Ln., Lombard, IL 60148.

We had a variety of responses regarding our new newsletter design, based upon the survey we sent out online a few weeks back. Here are some of the highlights:

"The newsletter looks great - attractive, and easy-to-read. The layout, use of color, and art are a huge improvement."

Some people commented that they preferred reading the newsletter online: "Loved reading the newsletter online. It was much more attractive. I think the board is doing a great job."

Some suggested that we should publish our newsletter online only. We have considered that possibility, but since we have only around 140 email addresses, a large percentage of our members would not receive an email alert letting them know that the new newsletter is available. Some of our members do not have email or web access, and would therefore not be able to receive our newsletter at all. Moreover, many if not most of our members like having a printed newsletter arriving in their mail. Also, there are legal reasons why we must make sure all of our



members receive a copy of our newsletter having to do with our by-laws, as it is also used for important corporate communications. So, we will continue to print the newsletter for the foreseeable future.

Finally, we received some positive feedback for the excellent job that the

townships did in keeping our streets clear of snow:

"Gary Muehfeld, Milton Township Highway Commissioner, and his crew have done such an efficient job clearing the streets of snow and the parkways of fallen branches during this never ending winter. Thanks for a job well done!!"

The board shares this person's opinion about the great job the townships did to keep our streets cleared during the very cold and difficult winter we had.

If you would like to get involved, whether by volunteering for one of our committees, or have some ideas on how we can improve the standard of living in Butterfield, please let us know by calling 627-4845, or using the contact form at www.bhatoday.com/contact

Did You Know That...

- There is a Facebook page titled "Butterfield Memories" that will bring back a few memories?
- That the Fountain of Life Church, where the BHA now holds their meetings, was once the second elementary school here and called Glen Park School?
- That the raised ranch style home, in 1962, sold for \$19,000?
- At one time there was a Butterfield Garden Club and they published a cookbook titled "Gardener's Gourmet"?
- There was also a Butterfield Jr. Women's Club who also published a cookbook? Their by-laws stated that "Jr." had to be dropped if their members exceeded age 40. So, to accommodate those over 40, it then became Butterfield Women's Club.
- The Women's Club also held an annual Breakfast with Santa at Butterfield School?
- There was, until recently, a men's social club called

the Butterfield Sportsmen's Club in existence for over 50 years?

We welcome any other trivia that any homeowners may have, especially from our "old-timers". There are still a few of us around and even many of our children have moved back, proof that we still enjoy our Beautiful Butterfield and look back at some good memories. More to follow in future newsletters.

Butterfield on Facebook!

Butterfield is well represented on Facebook, with our official BHA Facebook page at www.facebook.com/BHAToday and another "Butterfield Memories" page, which you can reach by going to facebook.com, and searching for "Butterfield Memories" in the search box at the top of the page.



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PROPOSED CHANGES TO BHA BY-LAWS

In accordance with Article IX, Section 1 of the Butterfield Homeowners Association by-laws, here is a list of proposed changes to the by-laws that will be discussed and voted upon at the next regular meeting of the Butterfield Homeowners Association on May 15th, 2014:

Changes to the Declaration:

This declaration made this 15th day of May, 2014, by the Butterfield Homeowners Association, a corporation, organized under the General Not-For-Profit Act of the State of Illinois, supersedes the declaration made on the 17th day of December, 2009 and shall be considered the rules and regulations governing the actions of the Association.

Changes to Article I:

ARTICLE I: ORGANIZATION

Section 4. FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year shall commence on the first day of January each year, and shall be the same for all record keeping purposes, including membership, the collection of dues and the budget of the Association. The method of accounting shall be on a cash basis, not accrual.

Changes to Article II:

ARTICLE II

SECTION 2. Membership in Good Standing

Membership in good standing in the Association is contingent upon the payment of dues each fiscal year. Dues for that fiscal year must be paid by March 31st of that same fiscal year, or membership will automatically be considered lapsed. Membership shall be limited to homeowners, not renters or non-owner tenants, of any home in Butterfield. Owners of homes whose permanent residence is not in Butterfield are still entitled to membership. No more than two persons owning any one home together may hold membership at one time.

Changes to Article VI:

ARTICLE VI MEETINGS

SECTION 6. TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING

The Executive Board may designate any time and place for the meetings within a reasonable distance from the area represented by the Association, at a time which is convenient for the majority of the membership.

SECTION 7. AGENDA

An agenda shall be prepared by the Executive Board, which they shall use as a guide for the order of business

for each meeting. The agenda for all meetings, except Special Meetings, should contain at least the following subjects, in order:

- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Presentation of Minutes
- Reports
- Unfinished Business
- New Business
- Adjournment

Changes to Article VII:

ARTICLE VII ORGANIZATION

SECTION 2. DUTIES [Changes to a, d and f only]

(a) PRESIDENT: The duties of the President in general shall be as follows: To open the meeting at the designated time; To announce the business before the assembly in the order in which it is to be acted upon; To recognize members entitled to the floor and non-members for discussion; To state and to put to vote all questions which are regularly moved or necessarily arise in the course of the proceedings and to announce the results of the vote; to protect the assembly from any annoyance or foolish or dilatory motions by refusing to recognize them; to appoint all committees except the nominating committee; to carry out all other duties of the President as outlined in Roberts Rules of Order. The President shall be an ex-officio member of all committees except the nominating committee, and will be responsible for all decision-making duties not explicitly given to the other officers. It is also the President's responsibility to help the other officers to accomplish their given tasks as needed, and/or appoint other members to help them if they are unable to complete their tasks in a timely fashion.

(d) TREASURER: The Treasurer will maintain records of funds received, deposited, and disbursed. The Treasurer shall submit a financial report at each regular Association meeting. This report shall be submitted in a format showing all transactions, as well as income, expenses, and account balances. This report will be presented at each regular meeting, and also published. The records of the Treasurer shall be made available as outlined in Article I, Section 3. The Treasurer shall be bonded.

f) DIRECTORS: In addition to other duties, the President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary shall serve as sole Directors of the Association.

SECTION 3. ELECTION: QUALIFICATION AND TERM OF OFFICE.

(a) The officers of the association shall be resident members and shall be elected annually by the membership at its annual meeting. The President shall fill vacancies by appointment, subject to approval by the Association at the next regular meeting. Each officer shall hold office for one year, with no term limits. This rule begins with the board in place as of the revision of this bylaw, May 15th, 2014, and is not retroactive to previous board members. In the event that the office of President and Vice President become vacant, the remaining board members will appoint a President. This action must be approved by the membership at the next regular meeting.

(b) The Executive Board shall submit a budget of projected receipts and expenditures for the upcoming fiscal year at the first regular meeting of the year for consideration and approval by simple majority vote of the members of the Association. A copy of the budget must be published and mailed to all members in good standing at least one week prior to that meeting.

(c) The Executive Board was elected by the membership to execute upon the will of the membership as their official representatives. As such, it is the sole responsibility of the the Executive Board to make decisions regarding how to spend the funds approved for spending by the membership if such spending is not specifically described in the approved budget. Approval of the membership is not required for any purchase, or payment of any bill, though it is recommended that the Executive Board seek out approval for individual expenditures that exceed more than 10% of the total annual budget. Exception: The Executive Board may not spend more than 50% of any line item in the budget on any single expenditure without approval by simple majority vote by the membership at a regular meeting, unless that expenditure was specified in the approved budget. (d) The budget shall be considered a "living document" that is not meant to represent an exact

amount, but an estimate of the amount of money that will be needed to be expended during the year. As such, the budget should be carefully crafted to allow for unknown, unforeseen, or forgotten expenses. The board also has the option to exceed the maximum budgeted amount for any given line item in the budget by up to 10%, or \$200, whichever is greater, without requiring approval by the membership to increase the budgeted amount. However, all additional spending of that nature for any given fiscal year must not exceed more than 10% over the total annual budget without the approval of the membership by a simple majority vote at a regular meeting. The board also has the option to include in the budget a "Miscellaneous" line item that can be used to cover unforeseen emergency needs, or bills based upon previous agreements that were not accounted for during the budgeting process. Funds can be freely transferred

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BEAUTY	Jafra Cosmetics	Lisa McDaniel 630-660-8298 LisasZumba@gmail.com www.OrderBeauty4u.com email: Lisa@OrderBeauty4u.com	Skin care, cosmetics & body care. Specialized lines for teens & babies. Professional makeup application, complimentary consultations, on-line ordering.
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PET SERVICES	Figgy’s Zen Dogs	Felicia Figlwicz 708-205-6460 Scully935@Aol.com	We speak bark, howl, whine and growl. Walks/home sitting/training for all types of pets. ABC Certified Dog Trainer
PIANO LESSONS	Phyllis Schroeder	20W632 Glen Court 630-627-2671	Experienced teacher of piano, organ, and keyboards.
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from this Miscellaneous line item for use with any other line item in the approved budget in order to cover line item(s) that would otherwise exceed their budgeted amount(s). In either case, any “Miscellaneous” or similarly non-specific budget line item cannot exceed 10% of the total budget for that fiscal year.

(e) In the interim period between the end of the previous fiscal year and the approval of the new budget for the current fiscal year, the Treasurer shall continue to pay for bills based upon agreements that pre-exist the current fiscal year, and is responsible to make sure that such bills are accounted for in the estimating process for the budget for the current fiscal year. This includes recurring expenses for necessary items such as the printed newsletter, the website, government, legal, emergency, and all other fees and expenditures that are required for the continuance of the Association

or for its regular, required duties.

SECTION 4. EXECUTIVE BOARD

The Executive Board shall consist only of the elected officers for that year: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer.

SECTION 6: SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Special committees may be appointed by the President at his discretion, or when so directed by the Association by a simple majority vote.

Changes to Article VIII:

ARTICLE VIII: CONTRACTS, CHECKS, DEPOSITS AND FUNDS

SECTION 1. CONTRACTS & AGREEMENTS

The Executive Board of the Association has been elected

to solely represent the membership and carry out the will of the membership as regards any contract or agreement. Whether a formal contract or an informal agreement, the Executive Board must authorize any and all agent or agents of the Association to enter into any contract or agreement in the name of and/or on behalf of the Association in writing prior to the start of that contract or agreement. The President must be part of that approval process. Approval by the membership is not required for the authorization of any contract or agreement.

SECTION 2. CHECKS, DRAFTS, ETC.

Any checks, drafts or other orders for non budget expenses, for the payment of money notes or other evidence of indebtedness issued in the name of the Association need only be signed by the Treasurer unless that payment exceeds 10% of the total annual budget, or \$500, whichever is less. Payments that exceed that amount must be co-signed or approved of in writing by the President or Vice President prior to payment being submitted. In order to provide oversight, the President shall also have access to all accounts and the Treasurer must provide detailed reports to the President on demand, up to 12 per year, no longer than one week after the request is made, unless the President agrees to a delay in writing.

SECTION 7. AUDITING

The annual audit of the books and records of the Association shall be made by a professional accounting firm, by personnel from that firm who are not residents, or friends or relatives of residents, of Butterfield. The decision of which firm to hire must pass a simple majority vote by the membership at a regular meeting prior to June 30th of the fiscal year following the fiscal year to be audited. The audit must be completed and presented as part of Unfinished Business at a regular meeting prior to October 31st of the following fiscal year, with a complete report published and mailed to all members in good standing at least three days prior to that meeting.

If the Association is in such a financial state that it cannot afford to have an audit done by a professional accounting firm, the annual audit of the books and records of the Association may be made by an auditing committee consisting of at least two unrelated members. If there are more than two volunteers for the committee, or if there is a perceived or actual conflict of interest with one or both of the two members, as determined by the

chair, the chair has the option to select who will serve on the committee from the membership.

New Article: Article IX

ARTICLE IX: MEMBER DISCIPLINE

All rules regarding member discipline are to follow the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order, except as determined by the membership by a 2/3 majority vote at a regular meeting. Robert's Rules of Order regarding member discipline supercede all other rules regarding membership to be found in these by-laws.

Changes to Article IX:

(ARTICLE IX IS NOW RENUMBERED AS ARTICLE X)

ARTICLE X: AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS

The decision to alter, amend, create or repeal any by-law must pass a 2/3 majority vote at a meeting prior to the designated meeting at which the proposed changes to the by-laws are to be discussed and voted upon. The voting based upon that decision must then take place at the next regular meeting. Written notice (in accordance with Article X, Section 1) of the intention to alter, amend or repeal one or more by-laws, or to adopt new by-laws, must then be published and mailed to all members in good standing at least seven days prior to that meeting. Any by-laws that are altered, amended, new or repealed may only be adopted at the meeting by a 2/3 vote of the members in attendance at that meeting.

SECTION 1. PROCEDURES

The procedure for submitting an amendment shall be:

(a) Any proposed amendment must be submitted in writing to the secretary prior to the meeting.

(b) Notice of the meeting at which the proposed amendment is to be voted upon must include the proposed amendment and, if applicable, the Article or Section which it is intended to amend. This meeting notice must be published and mailed to all members in good standing at least one week prior to that meeting.

Required Changes:

The updated by-laws will be saved as an electronic document, preferably a PDF, and re-posted on the website. The format and location of the updated by-laws must also be easily accessible. This process must be undertaken any time the by-laws are altered in any way. Exception: Correction of spelling errors in the by-laws may be made wherever they exist in the by-laws without formal notice. 🌟

HOME & GARDEN

Growing Your First Garden

By Scott Kelland

Growing your first garden can be a challenge, but there has never been a better time to be a first-time gardener! You have access to tools and information that makes starting and maintaining a productive and nutritious vegetable garden easier than ever. This article will show you how to quickly and simply plan your own backyard garden.

Good gardens begin with good garden plans. Figuring out what to grow is as simple as answering a few questions:

WHAT DO I WANT FROM MY GARDEN?

This is the key question to determine the success of your garden. It's easiest for the beginner gardener to concentrate on one kind of garden, rather than growing a bit of everything. You need to decide what you expect from your garden before figuring out "how" and "when". For example: do you want a garden that will provide the maximum amount of nutrition in a given space? Do you want a garden that your kids can help with and enjoy, too? Do you want a garden that will provide the most dollar value of vegetables? Or do you want a vegetable garden that is the easiest to start and maintain? Pick one and grow on!

WHAT DO I HAVE TO WORK WITH?

Here's where you make an assessment of the the garden tools and equipment you already have, the amount of available land you can access, the time you can devote to gardening, and your skills and experience. This will help you decide how ambitious your first garden plans should be. By the way, just because you don't have a lot of space for your garden, or a lot of time, or a lot of equipment, it doesn't mean you can't have a productive garden; Its possible to have a great garden in less than 50 square feet, that can be built with hand tools, and that takes only about an hour/week to maintain.

WHAT SHOULD MY GARDEN SITE BE LIKE?

The basics for a good site for your garden are:

1. Sunshine. At least 9-10 hours daily of unobstructed sunshine is a requirement for most vegetable gardens, although you can grow a "shady garden"; some vegetables will grow with as little as 6 hours of sunshine daily.

2. Soil. About a foot of good workable soil is the minimum required, although with raised beds you can grow your garden with less than this.

3. Good drainage. You want a spot that doesn't stay "soggy" too long in the spring. We recommend raised beds for all our garden plans, but you still need access to your garden relatively early in the spring to get started.

4. Access. You want to be able to get to all sides of your garden for ease of planting and cultivating and watering.



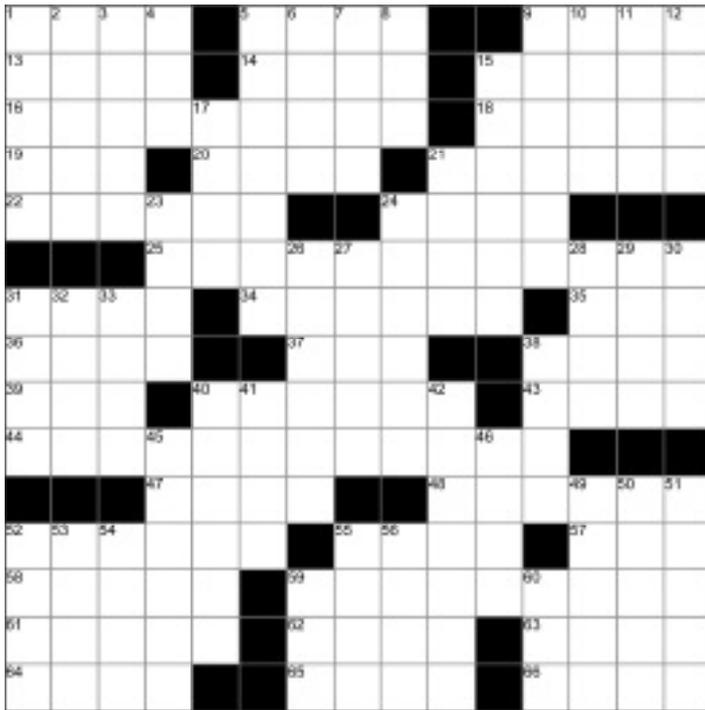
Planting your own vegetable garden is an excellent way to eat better and to get outdoors for some fresh air, exercise and sunlight, all of which are necessary for good health.

WHAT CAN MY GARDEN GROW?

Next you need to consider the length of your growing season; this will determine which cultivars — i.e., vegetable varieties — will grow well in your area. You determine the length of your growing season by checking your spring First Frost Date (FFD) and your fall Last Frost Date (LFD). The difference between these dates is your growing season. For example, according to the nearest climate station, in Wheaton, Butterfield's average FFD is May 6, and the LFD is October 8. This means most years we will have around 154 frost-free days to grow our crops. This information tells us when we can start, and when we can finish, our garden, and the cultivars you should grow, based on the "days to maturity" given in our seed catalogs. You can find FFD and LFD information, as well as information on gardening and more on our website at www.bhatoday.com/community-information/ 🌱

Author Scott Kelland is the owner of award-winning New Terra Farm and author of "Bootstrap Market Gardening" and "Grow a Super Salad Garden".

FAMILY FUN



CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

- 1: Trudge, as through sludge
- 5: Indian music
- 9: Put into the overhead bin
- 13: Pumice source
- 14: Scratched (out)
- 15: Moderate gray
- 16: Comparisons
- 18: Invalidate legally
- 19: 'Silent' prez, familiarly
- 20: Moving vehicles
- 21: Most prudent
- 22: Howard Keel movie musical
- 24: Traffic lane marker
- 25: Positron, e.g.
- 31: Hair fixers
- 34: Battery terminals
- 35: Fail to keep up
- 36: Dollar competitor
- 37: Family man
- 38: Casino card game
- 39: Itty-bitty
- 40: Coins
- 43: Sums up
- 44: Bumbling ones
- 47: Speak well of
- 48: Crib toy
- 52: West Pointers
- 55: Scrawny
- 57: Backboard attachment
- 58: Clued in
- 59: Magnetic mineral
- 61: Prepares for vacation
- 62: 'No ifs, ____, or buts!'
- 63: Sesame starter?
- 64: Spots
- 65: ____ fiber (flax, hemp, ramie, or jute)
- 66: Geek's cousin

DOWN

- 1: Hanging loose
- 2: Island near Molokai
- 3: Ellipsoids
- 4: Hoedown honey
- 5: Henley event
- 6: Analogous
- 7: Turns to the right
- 8: NPR has none
- 9: Third-generation Japanese-American
- 10: Ditty
- 11: Important work
- 12: Lash mark
- 15: Spoils
- 17: Where cookies might crumble
- 21: Became threadbare
- 23: Bulk
- 24: One responsible for managing clubs
- 26: 'Really!'
- 27: Cop game
- 28: Attired
- 29: Piecrust ingredient
- 30: Qualities of the conceited
- 31: Stare stupidly
- 32: '____ Cowgirls Get the Blues'
- 33: Stead
- 38: Take nothing in
- 40: Pacific rays
- 41: Favorable factor
- 42: Sincerely zealous
- 45: Store salespeople
- 46: Popular NBC soap, for short
- 49: Figure of speech
- 50: Large ship
- 51: Correct copy
- 52: Sleeveless outer garment
- 53: On vacation, perhaps
- 54: Carp cousin
- 55: ____ fide
- 56: Track figures
- 59: Bio class setting
- 60: Bon or won follower

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SUDOKU

SUDOKU RULES

ROWS

There are 9 rows in a traditional Sudoku puzzle. Every row must contain the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9.

There may not be any duplicate numbers in any row. In other words, there can not be any rows that are identical.

COLUMNS

There are 9 columns in a traditional Sudoku puzzle. Like the Sudoku rule for rows, every column must also contain the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9. Again, there may not be any duplicate numbers in any column. Each column will be unique as a result.

REGIONS

A region is a 3x3 box. There are 9 regions in a traditional Sudoku puzzle. Like the Sudoku requirements for rows and columns, every region must also contain the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9. Duplicate numbers are not permitted in any region. Each region will differ from the other regions.

"GIVENS"

The "givens" are numbers that have already been supplied. They can not be changed.

SUMMARY

Complete the Sudoku puzzle so that each and every row, column, and region contains the numbers one through nine only once. There is only one solution to a properly designed Sudoku puzzle.

REFERENCE

http://www.sudokuessentials.com/sudoku_rules.html

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>> *Meeting Minutes (Continued from page 5)*
comments regarding the news article in the newsletter pertaining to coyotes in the neighborhood. Many attendees thought the article was relevant. President Elwell also asked if the members wished to continue publishing the "Speak Out" column, and it was decided that its tone would be modified so that it promotes less negative and more positive comments. Also, the Family Fun section will continue to be published as space allows.

CHANGES TO BY-LAWS

President Elwell announced the need to make changes to the corporate by-laws, letting the membership know that they would need to submit all information regarding proposed changes to the by-laws to the new Secretary. It was stated that a 2/3rd vote is required in order to approve any changes. President Elwell stated that it would be possible to change or add elements to the by-laws which would be presented at the May meeting.

"DEFENSE FUND" QUESTION

There was a question raised about what to do with the Defense Fund [listed under "Assets" under "Treasurer's Report" near the beginning of these minutes]. One

member stated that we should do something with the funds for the betterment of the association and community. President Elwell stated that debate and voting on the status of the Defense Fund will take at the May 15th meeting, and that all prepared arguments and documentation regarding the Defense Fund must be presented during that time in order to be considered.

MEMBERSHIP REWARDS DRAWING

The membership had decided at the January meeting to start a drawing in order to monetarily reward members for supporting the BHA. At the March meeting we drew the first winner: Todd Jacobson's number was called, and Todd will be sent a check for \$100, courtesy of the BHA, in thanks for his support.

Open Forum

One member motioned that we should change the meeting date back to the third Thursday to avoid conflict of meeting time with the Butterfield Park District. This motion was seconded and approved.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m. 🌟

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