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A Good Neighbor

By George Stiekas - HOA President

A Danish proverb says, "No one is rich enough to do without a neighbor." But just what is a "good neighbor?" I know we all have an idea of what a good neighbor is but there might be something in this list that you may not have considered.

A Good Neighbor:

- Knows the people who live around him which can not only provide a strong sense of pride in his home and neighborhood but also bring a sense of security. Be aware of your surroundings and alert your neighbor if you see something suspicious going on.
- Keeps their yard and garden tidy, mowing the lawn regularly in season, keeping flowers and shrubs trimmed and putting equipment away when finished with it. This raises the value of all the homes in the neighborhood.
- Controls pets, keeping dogs from barking at night, running rampant in the neighborhood and of course, cleaning up after them when you are taking a walk.
- One who befriends and checks on their elderly neighbors who may at times need extra help. This is especially important when there is bad weather, a power outage or an illness.
- Knows the adage: "Say something nice or don't say anything at all." We can help to spread a positive atmosphere in our subdivision by reserving judgment in difficult situations. You never know the stress or problems that might be going on behind the scenes that affects behavior. If someone does something unkind or hurtful, work it out directly and move forward with a spirit of forgiveness.
- Sets a good example for all of his neighbors by keeping the posted speed limit in the subdivision, because we all want each other to be in a safe environment.

- One who endeavors to go outside the circle of neighbors he already knows to meet new ones. Think about how it feels to be the new family. When my wife and I moved to Dellwood from Seattle almost six years ago, the first neighbor we encountered was Alan, our mail carrier. Although Alan does not live in Dellwood, we still considered him a neighbor because we saw him almost every day. He welcomed us to Hendersonville and gave us some useful information as to how we could learn more about the area. He became a great friend! Make neighbors who move in near you feel welcome from the first day. Perhaps you could take them a plate of cookies or a plant. Beyond that, invite them to come with you to one of our Dellwood gatherings.
- Be a good neighbor by being an influential leader, perhaps being willing to volunteer your time to be a Dellwood HOA board member. This would help you get to know those neighbors better!

Although we are all very busy from day to day, being a good neighbor should be near the top of our To Do list! Make it a goal this year to meet at least one or two neighbors in Dellwood that you never knew before. Most of us know the biblical instruction to “love your neighbor,” but there is another principle in the Bible that even makes this stronger and zeroes in on what would make a great neighbor. Philippians 2:2 & 4 says “in lowliness of mind, let each esteem others better than themselves. Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others.” Give that some thought and always purpose to be a “Good Neighbor.”

News from the Board

1. We are still working on getting the **signs moved back** at the entrance of our subdivision. The Hendersonville City Manager assures us that it will be completed before the end of this summer.

2. It is time to turn in our **annual dues** (\$25.00) for 2106 – to be completed by May 2. This would be a good time to check to see if you are up to date. Someone asked me how the funds collected are used. Each year, we do give out a full disclosure at the Annual Business Meeting. However, you can request a financial report at any time if you have any questions.

3. Speaking of dues, some want to double the amount of the dues each year (\$50.00 +) in order to cover **snow plowing and ice removal** from our roads when conditions call for it. This will be discussed at the Annual Meeting.

4. It looks like we will have a change in venue for our **Annual Picnic** this year. The thinking of the board is to have a "Block Party." We would like to hear some of your ideas. Contact George Steikes or Heather St. Jacques with suggestions.

5. **New Board Members Needed:** There will be two openings for the Dellwood Board this year. We would like to balance the current board with a younger member or two. Are there any volunteers? Contact George Stiekes if interested –georgestiekes@gmail.com.

6. Let us **advertise** for you in the Dellwood Digest if you have special talents, desire work in our community, or have a skill that others might need. Contact Heather St. Jacques, hs68303@gmail.com

7. The **Annual Meeting** this year will once again be held at Hendersonville Church of Christ, 1975 Haywood Road at 6:00 P.M. on Thursday, April 28. As in years past, we will have a pot-luck meal – bring your favorite dish. Please contact Judy Ludden if you plan to attend and what food you plan to bring. Her number is 693-8671 and email is: jtl733@gmail.com

Dellwood Family Business

Brenda Coe, located at 100 Creekstone Lane, owns Happy Pets & Grooming and All about Grooming. She recently opened a new location this year right here on 191 in the shopping center where Sugar n Spice is. She is open Tuesday, Friday, and Saturday. She has been in the grooming business for 24 years.

Thinking of Upgrading to Windows 10?

By: Marty Harris, HOA Vice President

Are you still considering taking Microsoft up on their invitation to upgrade to Windows 10? Here's some information that might be helpful. Even though Microsoft is offering the upgrade to all users currently running Windows 7, Windows 8, and Windows 8.1 not all computers have the necessary drivers for Windows 10. I would recommend checking

your manufactures website to determine if they have created the drives for Windows 10 for your specific computer or if you have a custom built machine you need to check with the motherboard manufacture to see if there are drivers. You will have until July 28th of this year to make the decision. By upgrading to Windows 10 you will be increasing the life span of your windows software.

As we have seen with the end of support for computers running Windows XP, we can foresee difficulties with machines when Microsoft stops support for your peculiar operating system. Below are the end dates for the system currently being supported:

Client operating system	Latest update or service pack	End of mainstream support	End of extended support
Vista	Service pack 2	April 10, 2012	April 11, 2017
Windows 7	Service pack 1	January 13, 2015	January 14, 2020
Windows 8	Windows 8.1	January 9, 2018	January 10, 2023
Windows 10	Version 1511.10586	October 13, 2020	October 14, 2025

If you're not sure if Windows 10 is right for you, I recommend visiting one of the "Big Box" stores or if you prefer coming by my shop and take it for a test drive.

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Special Congrats!

Bradley Schweikert of Hendersonville made the fall semester 2015 dean's list at Ohio University's Athens campus. To achieve the dean's list, students must earn a 3.5 grade point average or higher while taking at least 15 credit hours."

Bradley's parents Dan and Jenni live on Woodlawn Ave in Dellwood.

Dellwood also welcomed a new member into the community this past December. Avenly St. Jacques was born to Heather and Nathan St. Jacques on Greenwood Drive.