

Homestead Herrington Homeowners' Association Newsletter May 2023

From the President's Desk...

Dear Neighbors,

Spring in Kentucky is always beautiful, and this year has been no exception. I love seeing the trees bud and the flowers blossom as the days get longer and warmer. We are so fortunate to live in this beautiful neighborhood. I hope everyone can get outside and enjoy the warmer weather and you are looking forward to the upcoming summer months on the lake. I am always ready for the first boat ride of the summer, and Friday night catfish dinners at the various marinas.

If you are a member of the Homestead Herrington Homeowners' Association, thank you for your continuing support. If you are not a member, please consider getting involved this year. Our dues are minimal, and the work we do is shared among our friends and neighbors and doesn't take a lot of time. Working together, we can ensure our neighborhood stays beautiful, safe, and an enjoyable place to live as we strive to maintain the value of all our properties. If you'd like more information about joining the HHHA, please contact any of the Board Members listed below.

Our next Board Meeting will be Tuesday, May 9th at 7:00 p.m., and will be held at Natalie's Cafe and Catering, 230 Pine Crest, in Bryantsville. All Board Meetings are open to paid members of the HHHA. At the May meeting we will be planning social events for the summer including a community yard sale and the 4th of July parade and picnic; the beautification committee will be discussing plans for the neighborhood entrance; the welcome committee will share names of new neighbors; and the neighborhood watch & safety and the property values committees will share status of some of the projects in which they have been involved. Please plan to join us—this is YOUR association.

The following individuals were elected to serve as Board members at our annual meeting in March:

President:Peggy TudorDirectors:Mike AbelVice-Pres:Jackie NewmanPatrick AllenSecretary:Stephanie AbelSteve AnthonyTreasurer:Julia HawkinsTaban HerringtonDonnie Miniard

I look forward to enjoying our neighborhood with you this summer!

Sincerely, Peggy Tudor (859) 608-0681

Greetings From Your New Editor

Hello, neighbors! Your new newsletter editor, Moira Allen, lives perched high on the hill at 1003 Settlement Drive. My husband Patrick and I moved to Kentucky from Maryland in May 2022, and after spending a couple of months in Lexington, we moved in here at the end of July. Patrick works remotely as an analyst for Johns Hopkins University, and I'm a writer. Rounding out the family is our new cat, Lexi, whom we adopted in November.

When we told family and friends that we were moving to Kentucky, reactions ranged from "why *Kentucky?*" (from those who hadn't been here) to "you'll love it!" (from those who had). We're happy to say the latter group was correct. We *do* love it! It's gorgeous, and the people are wonderful.

In fact, what really grabbed our attention was the HHHA "Welcome Committee," consisting of Chuck and Lynn Poneleit, who ignored the move-in mess and visited with us in the one room that had working chairs. We've moved 12 times in our married life, and only once before did we get a "welcome" visit, which in that case consisted of a woman dropping off a basket of local coupons before disappearing, never to be seen again. Plus, Chuck and Lynn brought banana bread!

But that's enough about me for now. Before I go on, I'd like to give a shout out to my predecessors, Jan Clark and Lynn Poneleit. These will be tough "editor" shoes to fill! But this isn't "my" newsletter. It's *your* newsletter. I really, really would love your contributions, such as...

- Useful tips and info to help your neighbors
- Articles about local history or nature
- Recipes, crafts, holiday ideas, etc.
- Brags and achievements
- Suggestions for favorite local activities, sights, restaurants, etc.
- Recommendations for services providers (e.g., handymen, plumbers, yard work, etc.)—we want to put together a list of such providers for the benefit of the community, and need your inputs!
- Photos of the area, community events, local flora/fauna, etc.

Please send your materials, photos, article ideas, etc. to Moira Allen at <u>editors@writing-world.com</u>. And enjoy the newsletter!



Scenes from our garden: Common Buckeye Butterfly on White Crownbeard flowers

HHHA Committees

If you have a question or concern regarding any of the following topics or activities, please consider contacting the committee chair responsible for that area directly. Following are the new committee chairs for 2023:

Beautification – Jan Clark **Communications** – Stephanie Abel **Property Values** – Steve Anthony **Safety & Neighborhood Watch** – Patrick Allen **Social** – Jackie Newman **Welcome** – Lynn Poneleit

NOTE: The newly updated directory of Homestead/Herrington residents is now available! If you haven't received yours, contact Lynn Poneleit for a copy!

Mark Your Calendars!

May 9 - The next HHHA board meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 9, at 7 pm, at Natalie's Café and Catering, 230 Pine Crest, Bryantsville. Any paid member of the HHHA is welcome to attend.

June 10 – It's bargain time—time for the annual Homestead Herrington Yard Sale! Sale hours are from 8 to 12 (or thereabouts). Watch your e-mail for further details. See you there!

July 4 – Deck out your golf cart for the annual Homestead Herrington Homeowners Annual 4th of July Parade! The lineup begins at 9:30 a.m. in the Poneleit's driveway (57 Trail Lane), and the parade starts at 10:00. Even if you can't join the parade, come on by for fun and refreshments afterwards!

Note: Dates for the Yard Sale and Golf Cart Parade are still under discussion and may change.



Herrington Lake Conservation League

Many of our readers are already members of the Herrington Lake Conservation League, which is the only organization chartered to clean up Herrington Lake and maintain its banks. Its mission is to preserve the natural beauty, environmental health and safety of the lake through the efforts of those who benefit, use and enjoy it. It's always looking for supporters and members – and is also available to help with lake-related cleanups for a fee. The League has the following upcoming events (visit www.HLCL.org for details):

May 20 – Pancake Breakfast, Kamp Kennedy Marina, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.

June 29 – Fish Fry, Sunset Marina

Farmer's Markets Opening Soon

The Boyle County Farmer's Market is expected to open April 29. Visit it Saturdays from 9-2 in Constitution Square, Danville. The Mercer County Farmer's Market will be open Saturdays 9-1 from May 6-October 21, and Wednesdays 2-5 from June 7-September 27. Visit it at the stable at the Mercer County Fairgrounds, Harrodsburg.



Strike Up the Band!

The 33rd Annual Great American Brass Band Festival will be held in Danville from June 1-4, on the Centre College campus and in downtown Danville. The festival celebrates brass band music, with performances and presentations by some of the best brass musicians in the world. Plus, it's absolutely free! For those with mobility issues, a special handicap-accessible parking lot is located at the back of the Centre College on the corner of Maple Avenue and Walnut Street. Golf carts are available to shuttle attendees from the lot to the main stage area. For details, visit https://gabbf.org/home



Before You Burn...

If you're like me, you probably have plenty of dead twigs, downed tree limbs and such from the recent winds. Before you pile it up and light a match, here are some things to know...

First, the spring fire hazard season runs from February 15-April 30. (The fall fire season runs from October 1-December 15.) During this time, no open burning may be done within 150 feet of any brushland or woodland between the hours of 6 AM and 6 PM. Though these restrictions will be lifted on May 1, burn bans may go into effect at any time.

The only items that may be burned outdoors are clean lumber (no treated, painted, processed or contaminated wood), uncoated paper or cardboard, and vegetation such as limbs, brush, tree stumps or leaves. No burning of household garbage or trash is permitted.

Finally, before burning, be sure to notify the fire department in advance, using their non-emergency number (859-792-3023). This helps them avoid being called out on a false "fire" report. For more information, visit:

Outdoor Burning Laws -

<u>eec.ky.gov/Natural-Resources/Forestry/wildland-fire-management/Pages/Outdoor-Burning-Laws.aspx</u> Garrard County Fire Department -

http://gcfdone.org/, https://www.facebook.com/garrardcountyfiredistrictone/

BURNING RESTRICTIONS

VS. BURN BANS

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

BURNING RESTRICTIONS

KENTUCKY WILDFIRE HAZARD SEASONS

February 15 - April 30 & October 1 - December 15

During Kentucky's spring and fall wildfire hazard seasons, it is illegal to burn between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. in or within 150 feet of any woodland or brushland, except when the ground is covered with snow.

KRS 149.400

BURN BANS

<u>In addition to</u> or <u>outside of</u> wildfire hazard season restrictions, burn bans may be instituted.

Burn bans are put in place to address immediate wildfire danger. They are issued at the local level through county judge/executives or as part of local ordinances. A state-wide burn ban may also be issued by the governor as conditions warrant. Burn bans are enforced with assistance from local law enforcement.

REMEMBER, ALL FIRES SHOULD BE ATTENDED UNTIL EXTINGUISHED

Check with your local fire department, county judge/executive's office, Divisions of Air Quality and Waste Management, and your local Kentucky Division of Forestry office before conducting outdoor burning.

KENTUCKY DIVISION OF FORESTRY FIELD OFFICES

Campbellsville * Frankfort * Hazard * Pineville * Madisonville * Morehead

https://eec.ky.gov/Natural-Resources/Forestry



Heard on a Country-Western radio station: "As sore and confused as a cat nursing six puppies"

Before You Dig...

Spring is in the air, and we're all feeling like getting out into the garden again! If you have a more serious digging project in mind, however—such as planting a tree—be sure to call 811 to have a survey done of utility lines before you start. You must contact 811 at least two full working days (or more) before you start your project. You can call 811 directly or open a ticket at: www.kentucky811.org/homeowners/.

Helpful Resource for Gardeners

As the days grow warmer, many of us are thinking longingly of starting a garden. (At least, those of us who still have hope that we can stick a shovel in the ground without hitting solid rock...) Experts advise waiting to plant until after Mother's Day or even after Derby Day—even now we are still getting "frost" nights!

While you're waiting, however, consider downloading the University of Kentucky' amazingly helpful guide to gardening in Kentucky: *Home Vegetable Gardening in Kentucky*. This free PDF file can be found at www.ca.uky.edu/agc/pubs/id/id128/id128.pdf

Homestead Herrington Homeowners Association

Membership Registration/Renewal

To register or renew membership in the Homestead Herrington Homeowners Association, please complete the information below and return this form to the HHHA, along with Association dues in the amount of \$50.00 to HHHA, PO Box 4, Bryantsville KY 40410

Household Owners		
Children		
Other Adults		
Home Address		
Telephone Number	Home:	Cell:
	Cell:	Cell:

Please provide email address if you wish to receive members' newsletters and urgent neighborhood notifications:

Name	Email:	
Name	Email:	
Name	Email:	

The HHHA Board and Committees meet 4 times per year, plus Special Meetings that may be necessary to accomplish specific business/projects. Please provide name(s) for areas of interest to active HHHA member in your family residence:

Position	Name of house member interested	
Board Member		
Board Office		
Welcome Committee		
Neighborhood Watch		
Membership Committee		
Beautification Committee		
Fundraising Committee		
Property Values Comm		
Social Committee		
Other		

Please note that any active HHHA Member is welcome to attend Board and Committee Meetings. Please contact a current Board Member to obtain information about duties and responsibilities of Board and Committees. Thank you for your interest and participation. If you would like to make a designated donation to a particular committee or project, please mail to the HHHA Board at PO Box 4, Bryantsville, KY 40410

Household located at	does not wish to be a member