

NCCA NEWSLETTER

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CHANGES TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS & OFFICERS

After 35 Years Joanne Urquhart Resigns from Secretarial Position

Susan Hepp Takes Over Post



Susan Hepp (left) takes over from Joanne Urquhart at the September meeting

Joanne Urquhart has been the secretary for the Newtown Crossing Board of Directors for the last 35 years. She and her husband, Tom, moved to our community in 1983. She has seen a lot of Board members come and go and has done her best, in her words, "to keep them on the straight and narrow." Her responsibilities, among many other things, have included taking meeting minutes, handling correspondence for board members, and welcoming new residents. For years she produced a printed Newtown Crossing Newsletter and organized Christmas parties at the Manor House. Her deep sense of dedication to the community has helped make Newtown Crossing a great place to live. Joanne promises to stay involved and continue to contribute. She is looking forward to more time for her family and the Neshaminy Valley Music Theatre.

Susan Hepp, another long-time resident of Newtown Crossing, has been selected to fill the position vacated by Mrs. Urquhart. Mrs. Hepp has lived in Newtown Crossing for 35 years with her husband George, owner of Hepp Electric. Her experience includes working in the insurance business, for Newtown Borough, and most recently in the dental office of Dr. Juliano until his retirement. Susan and George have one daughter, Victoria, a graduate of Council Rock North who currently works for Ronald McDonald House. Susan would like to tell the community, "I enjoy working with people & trying to help them whenever I can. This is what brought me to become the secretary for Newtown Crossing Community Association. I look forward to assisting our Board of Directors in their work to run our community in a safe, financially sound manner. I will enjoy becoming more familiar with our residents & community."

In other Board news, both Jim Downey and Carl Ruzicka have been re-elected for another three-year term, and watch for a new Board member coming soon to fill the seat recently vacated by Mario Lionetti. These residents and other volunteers exemplify the spirit of community service. If you would like to become involved or have issues you would like addressed, please attend a Board meeting at the Manor House, 7:30 the first Tuesday of every month.

POOL VANDALISM UPDATE

The Board of Directors is pleased to report that the perpetrators of serious vandalism at our pool have been apprehended. The arrest was through the very capable hands of Detective Camp of the Newtown Township Police Department.

All of the perpetrators are teenagers, ages 16 & 17. On August 11, their cases were adjudicated before Judge Petrucci. The boys were present with their parents. Detective Camp represented the Commonwealth. They were required to do 20 hours of

community service as well as to make restitution of \$3,600. Some of the community service will be performed in Newtown Crossing with the remainder under the supervision of the court.

Special thanks go out to the First Responders of Newtown Township; especially the quiet, neat, and efficient work of Detective Camp. If anyone would like to send a note to thank Detective Camp for his persistence in locating the vandals, there is a "Commend an Officer" link on the police department website:<https://bucks.crimewatchpa.com/newtowntwppd/34824/webforms/commend-officer>

2022 POOL SEASON

Despite a rocky start the swim season was very successful, enjoyed by an estimated 40-60 swimmers a day. Throughout the summer there were several "Pretzel and



Popsicle Days", with treats and games for the kids thanks to Lorrie Strange, Freda Gowland, and Tara Zengolewicz.

The fun started on July 14, with games and treats at the pool. On August 17, school supplies were won by students about to begin a new school year.



Thank you to Staples for their donations to the event. On Saturday, September 10, residents were entertained by The HOG Band, from The House of Guitar in Feasterville.



Thanks to the negotiating skills of Board member Michael McFarland, the pool is remaining open on Saturdays and Sundays from 10 am to 5 pm. until September 18.

NEWTOWN CROSSING SWIM TEAM

The Newtown Crossing Swim Team had a great season with 3 wins and 1 loss in the regular season and some outstanding performances. Our swimmers worked hard, but had a lot of fun building relationships, competing in regular meets as well as invitationals, and attending team sponsored events, including trips to Dorney Park and Uncle Dave's Ice Cream at Shady Brook. Six seniors graduated this year and many new swim families joined the fun. Thank you to Katie Lukomski for her work with the team.

MANOR HOUSE & SPRING HOUSE



The Manor House is open for business! The Manor House has had a long-needed summer cleaning and is available for rental. This historic stone manor house may be

rented by residents with paid up NCCA fees. Currently, the Manor House costs \$150/day plus \$150 deposit.



The Manor House before and after.

The Spring House rental is \$100/day plus deposit. There are no overnight stays allowed. Members interested in further information about the Manor House or Spring House, including rentals for meetings, parties, or wedding receptions, should contact Bonnie Dettra at 215-860-9818.



Thank you to Michael McFarland for organizing the Big Clean!

Next Meeting

Tuesday, October 4

7:30 pm at the Manor House

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