



Brighton Green Community Association

www.Brightongreen.org

May 2005

What's Happening

All events will take place at the Brighton Green Community Center. Any profits generated are used to improve the pool, community center and grounds. Your participation is greatly appreciated!

Community Yard Sale

Saturday, May 7th

Spring has sprung and it's time to clean that attic out! The Brighton Green Yard Sale is scheduled to take place at the Community Center from 7 AM until 12 noon on Saturday, May 7th. Call the hotline at 272-9946 by May 4th to make a reservation to be a seller. Your \$15 fee will include advertising in the Richmond Times Dispatch.

Ladies Bonko Night

Thursday, May 12

Bring your favorite appetizer, snack or desert to share as we gather to play Bonko at 8:30 PM. The cost is \$10 and there will be cash prizes. The game is easy and we will teach you how to play!

Brighton Green Spaghetti Dinner and Bonfire

Friday, May 13th

Dinner will be served from 5:30 until 7:00 PM and a bonfire will be lit following dinner. Come out to enjoy a springtime get together with the neighbors! Kids, bring along a good marshmallow roasting stick and a flashlight to play tag. Many thanks to those who attended the Spaghetti Dinner in April. We promise not to run out of meatballs next time! (320 meatballs went in 45 minutes!) Check out the neighborhood web site at www.Brightongreen.org to see the photos from the dinner & bonfire.

Life Guards & Snack Bar

How would you like to spend your summer in the sun - and get paid for it! The Brighton Green pool is in search of lifeguards for the 2005 season. A required life saving course will be provided to all successful candidates. Contact the pool manager, Fred Mistr at 320-1915 before May 15th to obtain an application. You must be 15 years or older to apply.

Snack Bar applications are now being accepted as well. No prior experience is required. You must be at least 13 years or older to apply. Call the Brighton Green hotline at 272-9946 to request an application.

The Brighton Green Community Association Board meets on the 4th Sunday of each month at the Community Center at 7 PM. All residents are welcome and encouraged to attend. The next meeting will be on May 22nd. Feel free to call the Brighton Green Hotline at 272-9946 or our association president, Ken Atkins at 320-0933 with any questions or comments that you may have.

If you have chosen not to become a B.G. Association Member, this will be the last newsletter that will be sent to your home until December. However, you are always welcome to see the current newsletter at www.Brightongreen.org.

Have a Seat by the Pool...

Several of our lounge chairs at the pool have lost their luster and are in desperate need of repair. It will cost \$40 to replace the strapping on each of the 15 chairs that most need attention. To help defray the cost to the association, please consider "sponsoring" a chair for \$20.

If you can help, send your check to:

BGCA, P.O. Box 35759, Richmond, VA 23235.

(Note "chair" at the bottom of your check.) Four of our chairs currently have sponsors. Thanks to those who have participated! Your donation will help to improve the quality of your visit to the pool and make it a nicer place for all of our pool-goers to relax and recline.



Neighborhood Watch

Brighton Green has an enthusiastic group of core members organized and ready to participate in Chesterfield County's Neighborhood Watch Program. In its most basic form, Neighborhood Watch is "Neighbors watching out for neighbors." We encourage all residents to make a conscious effort to become aware of what is "normal" for your street. If you see something that doesn't seem quite right, call the non-emergency phone number at 748-1251 and report the situation to the police. Also, please be careful to maintain the posted speed limit while traveling through our neighborhood to ensure the safety of our residents. If you would like more information about Neighborhood Watch, plan to attend the next meeting scheduled for Monday, June 13th at 7 PM at the Community Center.

Community Center Building Rental

Our Brighton Green Community Center is a great place to host a birthday party, anniversary party or wedding reception. Call the B.G. Hotline for more information or to make a reservation.

BGCA Members \$160/day or \$20/hour plus \$200 refundable security deposit

Non-Members \$250/day or \$50/hour plus \$200 refundable security deposit

News From the Tennis Courts

Spring is here and the courts are just waiting to be used. Both "Recreational" members and "Tennis Only" members may obtain a key to the courts by contacting Mary Hunter Ayer at 327-0044.

Anyone interested in tennis lessons for their children and anyone who would like to teach tennis this summer should contact Mary. If you are interested in being an instructor, this will usually involve only one or two weeks in the evenings and all fees go to the instructor.

We would like to establish a tennis ladder as well. Give Mary a call if you would like to be added. Watch for the possibility of a Saturday morning free tennis clinic for children sometime in June. See you on the courts!



Donations Needed

During the summer months many children & adults use the pool, playground, tennis, volleyball and basketball courts as well as the large grassy areas that surround the Community Center. If you have any gently used outdoor equipment such as tennis rackets, basket or volleyballs, jump ropes, water toys, yard games etc...that you are willing to donate, please call the hotline and leave your name and phone number.

Membership News

Happy Spring to all of our Brighton Green residents! It seems many of you are working diligently to brighten up the outside of your homes with blooms and greener lawns. Many of you have even managed to donate your time to help clean up our community center surroundings and your help is greatly appreciated!

Our membership drive is in full swing but, as you know, our early bird special has ended. The regular rates are now in effect but we are proud to report, we still have the best membership rates around. For those of you who have already joined, you will be receiving a 'bonus' along with your tags this year. I don't want to give away the surprise but it is something that the association felt all of our members could take advantage of and will help our community as a whole. So, if you know of anyone who hasn't joined as of yet, I would encourage you to encourage *them* to join.

As Promised, the board discussed passes for seniors and their grandchildren. It was agreed that we would continue with the offer that is already available to our senior members, that being 2 free 7-visit passes, upon request, with a full paid membership. All of the following passes can only be obtained by a person who has a current Brighton Green pool membership:

Full Summer Babysitter Pass	\$50
1-Week Family Pass	\$60
7-Visit Pass	\$25
Weekend Pool Pass/per Guest	\$5
Weekday Pool Pass/per Guest	\$4
1 year old & Younger	Free
After 6:00 p.m.	½ Price

If you have any questions concerning passes or would like to obtain one with your paid membership, please call our hotline; 272-9946, and leave your name, phone number, and which pass you would like to purchase and I will contact you. If you need a Community Association Membership application you can get one from the neighborhood web page at www.Brightongreen.org or call to have one delivered to you. Thank you. Mary Romero

Attention All Potential Brighton Green Gators!!!

It's almost time for swim season to start!

The Brighton Green Team is looking for a "Few Good Gators"

(Actually, we need more than a few) to help us have a *successful* team this year.

By *successful* we mean dedicated, hard working, but fun-loving swimmers who will do their *personal best* to make *our team* the best it can be!

We are looking forward to swimming in the "A" Division this summer, which means swimming against some larger teams who have lots of year-round swimmers.

Our coaches, Brittany Eddy and Patrick Loth, will help each swimmer reach his or her potential as a Brighton Green Gator.

You'll have fun, too!

Movie days...Ice cream socials...Water Country trip!

Sign-up for Swim Team is Sunday, May 15th from 2:00-4:00
at the Community Center.

Contact Donette Smoot 330-7310, dbyrdwsmoot@hotmail.com
or Carol Giles 440-0790, cvgiles@comcast.net
for information or a registration form