

Brighton Green Community Association

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Thank you to ALL of our volunteers!

Countless hours have been generously given by many of our residents in preparing the community center, grounds and pool for the summer months ahead.

Flowers have been planted, the pool area cleaned, the pump, lights, electrical box, snack bar deck, tennis courts, bridge to the volleyball area - all repaired. Trees cut and taken away, poison ivy & weed control, bushes trimmed and large rocks have been added to the creek for erosion control.

We now have a marvelous new bridge behind the community center thanks to many hours of hard work by several of our residents. The bridge building crew deserve our thanks for not just repairing the old bridge that was badly damaged during the flooding last year, but they have teamed up to build a fine structure that will stand up to the high water and be there for many years to come.

Hats off to Brownie Troop #3465 and Girl Scout Troop #391 who donated plants and spent an evening doing some weeding and planting.

Brighton Green Community Yard Sale

It's time to clean out your attic and make some spending money from your old stuff! On Saturday, June 4th there will be a community yard sale at the community center from 7 AM until 12 noon. If you would like to sell your things, call the hotline to reserve your place. \$15 gives you a spot at the sale and advertising in the Richmond Times Dispatch.

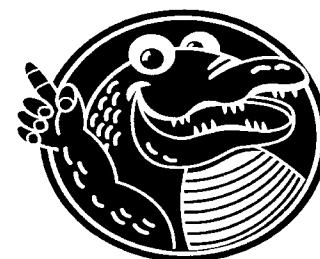
Thanks also to the Brighton Green Community Association board members. They spend hours upon hours planning & staffing events, keeping up the web page, newsletter, overseeing pool & snack bar operations and staff, membership, building maintenance, finances, grounds, swim team...the list goes on.

Investing your time on improving and maintaining our community property not only adds much to the value of your home but offers an opportunity to make new friends and works to give us a common bond as neighbors working side by side.

If you are interested in filling a board position or just have a morning available do a small job, call the hotline, leave a message and someone will get back to you to about how you can make a difference here in Brighton Green.

Currently, we need some extra help in the following areas. Community events, newsletter, building maintenance, grounds, and membership.

The community yard sale held in May hosted 12 sellers with many shoppers stopping by. *Hints for a successful sale: Clean & organize your items. Hang clothing if possible and sell your summer things now. Price things you know will go to the thrift store after the sale to sell quickly and be willing to negotiate.*



Go Gators!

Special points of interest:

- Membership News
- Community Events
- Neighborhood Watch
- Pool
- Swim Team

Building Rental

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

BGCA Members:
\$160/day or \$20/hour

Non-Members
\$250/day or \$50/hour

A \$200 refundable security deposit is required.

Membership News

Welcome all Brighton Green Pool Members!

Our annual pool grand opening will be held on Saturday, May 28th. Your new pool tags will be ready for you to pick up at the attendant table on your first visit to the pool. Please do not attempt to use your old tags as you will not gain access to the facilities with them. You can throw your old ones away.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please be sure to keep your tags in a safe place where you can always find them as there is the standing fee of \$5.00/ea. for replacements. We will not be reissuing tags for upcoming years unless notified by the BGCA board.

For those who have yet to join, you still have the opportunity to be a part of your community and take advantage of the lowest pool rates around. The summer months are upon us and the hottest weather is on its way. If you are in need of a membership application, there are some available at the entrance to the pool/community center or you can download a copy from our website or contact me directly at: 330-5091.

Please keep in mind that it is mainly through our memberships that we are able to maintain the integrity of our community. Our facilities help maintain our property values and make Brighton Green not just a neighborhood but a caring, committed community that cares about each of its homeowners and their children. The pool, playground, tennis, basketball and volleyball courts help keep our children in a safe environment in which they can grow, be active and learn to have healthy respectful relationships. All of our social activities promote family values that lend to the overall character that makes Brighton Green what it is. . . a community of neighbors caring about each other.

Your Brighton Green Community Association Board hopes you are pleased with the surprise we've included in your envelope with your tags this year! We hope you will use this to promote the use of our pool and encourage another family to join so that they may receive the same benefits of all of our facilities as our present members. It is important to keep in mind that the funds you pay are not merely for the use of the pool. These funds are used to maintain the grounds, pay our lifeguards, keep our facilities in safe working order and to provide an environment in which everyone can feel welcome. Your community will be what you make it. Through our many volunteers, our memberships, both general and recreational as well as our very active board members, we have been able to continue to provide these facilities and we encourage each of you to get involved whenever your time allows.

Mary Romero
Membership Chairman

The following passes can be obtained only by a person holding a current Brighton Green pool membership.		Pool Hours:
Full Summer Babysitter Pass	\$50	
1 week family pass	\$60	May 28, 29 & 30 12 to 8 PM
7 visit pass	\$25	June 4 & 5 and June 11 & 12 12 to 8 PM
Weekend pass/per guest	\$5	Beginning June 18th through September 5th
Weekday pass/per guest	\$4	Fri & Sat 12 to 9 PM
1 year and younger	Free	Sun - Thurs 12 to 8 PM
After 6 PM	1/2 price	Float Night is every Friday from 6 - 9 PM beginning on June 17th. Bring your favorite pool floats. Ice cream floats will be available for \$1 at the snack bar as well as
Our pool attendants are required to check pool tags for each member of your household every time that you make a visit to the pool. Please have your passes ready upon your arrival.		

Community Events

Community Yard Sale - Saturday, June 4th 7 AM until 12 noon. To sell your items, call the hotline at 272-9946 to reserve your place. The next yard sale will be in September.

Ladies' Bunco Night –Thursday, June 9th at 8:30 PM
Bring your favorite appetizer, snack or dessert to share as we gather to play Bunco. The cost is \$10 and there will be cash prizes. The game is easy to learn and we will teach you how to play! Bring a friend!

Brighton Green's Annual Independence Day Bash –We start at 10:30 AM at the community center with a parade through the neighborhood. The rest of the day is spent with games, food and activities pool-side. Prepare for another great silent auction which will include tickets to the sold out Hillary Duff concert on July 27th as well as many other items and services!

Brighton Green's Crab Fest -Saturday July 23rd at 7 PM This is an adult social for those 21 and older. Lots of food, new friends and fun.

Watch the info board at the pool for ladies' nights as well as summer events for kids and teens.

Call the hotline if you have an idea for a social event or if you would like to help with any of the events listed.

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

Neighborhood Watch

Your Brighton Green Neighborhood Watch would like to remind our residents to slow down now that summer is upon us and the children will frequently be sharing the road with us. Traveling at a high rate of speed on our streets endangers our young citizens who are on foot or use bicycles to make their way around the neighborhood. Please adhere to the posted speed limit each and every day.

Let's put the BRIGHT back in Brighton Green!

If you would like to see some additional street lights installed in our neighborhood, we need your help. Please call the hotline if you know of a place that needs more light or if you would like

more information on what you can do to help this idea become a reality.

Tuesday, August 2nd is the National Night Out Against Crime. Join us at the community center for a visit from McGruff the Crime Fighting Dog along with fun and activities for the whole family. Take a walk and meet your neighbors. Turn your porch light on from dusk until 10 PM to show your support for the Night Out Against Crime.

The next Neighborhood Watch Meeting will be held at the community center on June 20th at 7 PM. All are welcome.

The Gators Swim Team Needs You!

It's not to late to sign up to be on the swim team!

We are looking forward to swimming in the "A" Division this summer!

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!

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

The pool will close at 3 PM on days that the Brighton Green Gator's hosts a swim meet. Our pool members are welcome to go to any other RMAL pool on these days. Some of these pools are as follows:

Bon Air, Greenfield, Robious Sports & Fitness
Midlothian YMCA, Woodlake, Surreywood & Briarwood.
Simply present your Brighton Green pool pass to be admitted. Home meets are scheduled for June 21, June 28 and July 12th. If at all possible, swimmers and their families are asked to consider walking to the pool as the parking lot and streets near the pool will be very full on these days.