



# BGCA NEWS

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## Letter from the President

I hope that everyone has had a happy and safe holiday season. Now that the holidays are over, I find myself turning to the next happy thought – pool season!

We have certainly made progress in our efforts to remodel the bathrooms in the Community Center. Since the start of this campaign, we have been able to replace all of the commodes in both the ladies and men’s rooms. We have installed new sinks and counter tops in both rest rooms. We have more to do. Next on the list is the replacement of the stall walls and doors. We would also like to replace the valves on the urinals in the men’s room, trying to get ones that are easier for the boys to use. Through your generous donations, we have gotten this far and we can see the light at the end of the tunnel. Please contribute one more year so that we can finish what we have started.

We have several new faces on the board this season. Margaret Harris has taken over the building rental position. Bob and Kelly Horner have graciously taken over the task of building maintenance. Tim Spivey has volunteered to handle the grounds. Susie Stough and Shearn Tecunchok are co-chairing the swim team and Jim Hufford is taking over the pool manager duties. I am sure that every one of these folks would appreciate all of the help and support that you can offer them. Please call the BGCA hotline to volunteer.

There are still a couple of positions that need to be filled. Board president, social director and communications each need someone in the community to step forward and take over. These are all very critical and very rewarding positions. Please bring your ideas and energy and take the position best suited for you.

This year we will again offer early bird reduced memberships – take advantage of the savings. Applications are included with this flyer and are available on line as well. We will be accepting Visa and Mastercard for membership payments again

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–just fill in your card number and expiration date, sign and we will take care of the rest.

As always, please remember that this is your Community Center, pool and tennis courts. Be proud of it, use it and help us keep it a place that we can all be proud to call our Community Center. We all need to keep a diligent eye out for anyone on the property that should not be there. Please let us know, or call the police directly, if you see any activity that looks suspicious. I believe that if we are all watching, we can keep most things from happening that shouldn’t.

The backbone of this, or any community, is only as strong as the people who step forward to volunteer their time, talents and energy. We have many individuals who, since the beginning have been doing just that - helping Brighton Green to maintain a strong and active Community Center. We need your help. When considering whether to volunteer or not, ask yourself – If not YOU, then WHO?

John Benedict

## The Party Place

The Brighton Green Community Center is available for rent to both members and non members. The space will accommodate 80 seated guests and access to the kitchen area with stove/oven, fridge and microwave is included. The center is ideal for parties, receptions, club meetings and even small church services. A security deposit of \$200 and a signed Lease agreement is required to reserve the space. Building tours are conducted on Monday evenings. Other times are available by appointment. Contact the Brighton Green hotline 272-9946 to schedule your tour or reserve your space or email Margaret Harris – magritjane@verizon.net.

Please make a note of the new rates:

Full Day: Friday/Saturday \$400.00  
 Full Day: Sunday – Thursday \$325.00  
 Hourly: \$70.00 (4 hour minimum)

Members (discount)

Full Day: Friday/Saturday \$200  
 Full Day: Sunday - Thursday \$165  
 Hourly: \$35 per hour

Security Deposit of \$200.00 and a signed lease agreement are required for all rentals

## Building improvements!!!

Thanks to Bob and Kelly Horner and their force of talented volunteers, much work was done last year to improve your community center building. Both the inside and outside of the building was painted, new heating and air conditioning (kudos to John Benedict and Commercial Air), bathrooms renovated and a new stove.

## Positions Available If not You, than Who?

The Brighton Green Community Association is comprised of our neighbors who volunteer their time and talents to make our community a better place to live.

The following positions are waiting for you:

- President – Oversee the BGCA board of directors. Liason between community and outside entities affecting our community
- Community Life – Plan, coordinate and organize social activities
- Communications – Coordinate newsletters (two hard copies and 4 soft copies per year) and forward periodic announcements to BGCA email list.

Contact the BGCA hotline (272-9946) to offer your services.

### Attention: Teens

Looking for community service projects or any one interested in volunteering your time to the Brighton Green Community

There are countless opportunities for teens to fulfill community service hours.

Please call the Brighton Green hotline at **272-9946** and leave a message. A board member will call you back.

Some of the jobs may include:

- Serving food at a fish fry
- Helping with any social community life event such as the Easter Egg Hunt
- Helping with building projects in and around the community center
- Assisting with organized child care
- General clean up
- Grounds clean up days and general grounds care
- Many more

When you volunteer your time please bring any necessary forms to document your hours and have the appropriate board member sign.

We hope to see you helping out often.

## Grounds News

Grounds Clean-up April 18<sup>th</sup> 9am – 3pm.  
Rain Date: April 25<sup>th</sup> 9am – 3pm.

Bring a rake, shovel, trowel, gloves and pruning equipment. We will be cleaning up the flower beds, trimming bushes, planting annuals, removing brush and debris just to mention a few. Feel free to bring leaf blowers and weed trimmers. Students can earn volunteer hours for helping. Come meet your neighbors and have fun sprucing up the Association grounds and neighborhood entrances. Take pride in your neighborhood!

Volunteers are needed this year to help maintain the grounds around the entrances, building, pool, playground, tennis courts, etc.

Volunteers are also needed for one time projects such as;

- Weeding between clean – up days
- Spraying for weed control (including poison ivy)
- Watering flowers during dry spells

Contact Tim Spivey at 272-9946

## **Membership News**

It's Membership Drive time again. Not sure whether you'll be able to take a vacation this year? Make sure you get a Recreational Membership this year. You can relax at the pool, play tennis, and enjoy the company of your neighbors. We offer a range of memberships for all kinds of households: single, two-person, and family, with a senior rate for each type. Notice that the age of adult children eligible to be included in a family membership has been raised to 24, as long as he or she is a full-time student. Or, if swimming is not for you, a Tennis-only membership allows you to play tennis all year for only \$150. If the full Recreational Membership is not for you, please consider a General Membership to support the value our Brighton Green Community Association brings to our neighborhood. For all types of memberships, there must be at least one adult member.

## **Swim Team**

Sign Up – end-of-April/beginning of May  
– watch the message board for exact dates and times.

6/16 Woodlake  
6/23 at Stonehenge  
6/30 at Brandermill  
7/7 Smoketree at BG  
7/13 at Robious  
7/20 Surreywood at BG

Champs 10 and under 7/27  
11 and older 7/28

all meets start at 6:00

We are also interviewing for a head swim coach. Please check the sign in front of the pool for swim team sign-up times (coming soon).

Act now, and get the \$30 Early Bird Discount, available until March 31, but not even one day after! If you have any questions, please feel free to call Claudia Marshel at 261-5455 or [claudiamarshel@gmail.com](mailto:claudiamarshel@gmail.com).

Brighton Green Community Association  
2009 BGCA Membership Application  
Season – March 1, 2009 – February 28, 2010

February 2009

Adult Members' Names:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (C) \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ (Used for Brighton Green communication only)

- I wish to receive the newsletter via email (four issues per year)  
 I will log onto the BGCA website to view the newsletter (www.brightongreen.org)  
 I wish to receive the newsletter via USPS (two issues per year)  
 I can volunteer for: \_\_\_ Social Events \_\_\_ Building \_\_\_ Grounds \_\_\_ Other

**Membership types (please check one)**

- \$50 General – I don't use the pool or tennis courts, but I want to support my community association and receive the newsletter to keep up to date on all activities.  
 I am including a donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the renovation of the community building restrooms. This is to help defray the cost of an excess of \$5,000 to complete the project.

**Early Bird Special for all Recreational Memberships = \$30 discount!!! if received by 3/31/09 only, no exceptions**

- \$155 Tennis Only Household Membership (Early Bird N/A)  
 \$370 Recreational Family Household pool/tennis membership (\$340 Early Bird)  
 \$335 Senior (60 & older) Recreational Family (\$305 Early Bird)  
 \$275 Recreational "2-person" Household pool/tennis membership (\$245 Early Bird)  
 \$235 Senior (60 & older) Recreational "2-person" (\$205 Early Bird)  
 \$195 Recreational "Single" Adult pool/tennis membership (\$165 Early Bird)  
 \$175 Senior (60 & older) Recreational "Single" (\$145 Early Bird)

**Other swimmers living in this household** (for Recreational memberships only) included in this membership:

Note: Only minors under the age of 18 or adult children aged 18-24 years as of 3/31/09, who are full time students and living in the same household, can be included in the recreational family membership. Any others *must* purchase their own membership.

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Name DOB Name DOB

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**(Senior Grandparents:** call 272-9946 for your 2 free 7-visit passes with a Recreational Membership only.)

**We Regret:** BGCA is unable to refund fees for any reason.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**METHOD OF PAYMENT:**

**PAYMENT BY CREDIT CARD IS NOW AVAILABLE.**

- Check – amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (make checks payable to **BGCA**)  
 Master Card  
 Visa

**NAME ON CREDIT CARD:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CARD NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_ **EXP. DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**BGCA Board Members**

President: Open  
Secretary: Dana Buerkley  
Treasurer: James Springer  
Membership: Claudia Marshel  
Grounds: Tim Spivey  
Building Rental: Margaret Harris  
Building Maintenance: Kelly Horner  
Community Life: Open  
Communications: Open  
Swim Team Rep: Shearn Tecunchok  
Susie Stough  
Pool Manager: ??????????  
Web Master: Michael Prior

**BGCA Calendar**

**MAR 20** Fish Fry  
**MAR 31** Early Bird Special Ends  
**APR 18** Grounds Clean-up  
**APR 25** Grounds Clean-up Rain Date  
**MAY 23** Pool Opens!!!  
**JUN 16** First Swim Meet

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