



The Retreat Community News

DECEMBER 2008



WELCOME TO ALL OUR NEW RESIDENTS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

The Developers of Greenbrier
Tom Rund - 410-9331
Brian Rowe - 651-9144

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS – RELOCATION OF THE RETREAT OFFICE



Effective December 1, 2008 The Retreat Office will relocate to 1453 Carrolton Way. The phone number remains the same.

COMMITTEE CHAIRS:

Architectural Review – Fayeelaine Haddaway
 Social Committee – Susan Glasser

SOCIAL COMMITTEE -

The first meeting was held on October 3rd, 2008 as an open meeting to all residents at the Retreat at Greenbrier. The turnout was excellent. We have 32

residents who signed up as *General Members* of which 9 members joined the *Social Committee* that includes the chair.

All members participated in lively, proactive discussions as we collected the “Interest and Commitment” sheets, and decided on a priority list for the forthcoming Holiday Season.

Here are the suggested activities with the group leaders listed for your contact:

1. Priority: New Directory, Fayeelaine Haddaway Ongoing/Updated and distributed.
2. Priority: Holiday Party and special invitees, Fayeelaine Haddaway - activity in progress
3. Pool Play/Competitions, Bob Nelson and Jim Thietje - activity in progress
4. Bible Study and Prayer Group, Ann Wall – activity in progress
5. Book Club - Joan McKoy
6. Clubhouse Library - Andy Butler, activity in progress
7. Date Night Movies, Pat Cross – activity in progress
8. Bridge, Evelyn Gutowsky

- 9. Scrabble, Bob and Iva Nelson
- 10. Computer Lessons, set-ups, repairs, Andy Butler Available, please call
- 11. Neighborhood Assistance program, Ernie Frens



Our **2nd Annual Holiday Party** is well on its way to becoming a great event - December 12, 2008, 6:00 to 9:00 pm in the Clubhouse. Details may be obtained from Fayeelaine Haddaway who has volunteered to take charge of this event with the help from Committee Members. Please contact her at - 410-9037 for questions, to sign-up, and how you can contribute to the menu. Invitations (Flyers) will be distributed from door to door and can be obtained at the Clubhouse as well. A group of volunteers, led by Gene Youngblood, will soon be on their way to shop necessary items, festive supplies and back-up foods.

We extend our cordial invitation to last year's organizers of the Holiday Party and welcome all new residents to join us in celebrating a "Beautiful Holiday Season" on December 12, 2008

MOVIE DATE NIGHT



Our very first "movie date night" will be January 8th in the clubhouse starting at 7:00 pm on the big screen. Bring your favorite guy/gal or just come alone, everyone is welcome. Bring some popcorn and a drink and we will watch a movie. This will be the time to sit and relax after a very hectic holiday schedule for all of us. Pat Cross is the point of contact if you have any questions 410-4713.



Since the holidays are upon us and we will be busy with running around, shopping and preparing for Thanksgiving and the Holiday Season, I want to pass along a few safety tips from "The Police Notebook," Holiday Personal Safety and Security Tips.

1. Travel and conduct your business during daylight hours if possible. Lock doors and windows when getting into your car and keep them locked while driving.
2. If you have access to a cellular telephone, carry or take it.
3. When parking, roll up the windows, lock the vehicle, take the keys, insure your valuables are concealed, preferably in the trunk.
4. During hours of darkness, park and walk in lighted areas to the extent possible.
5. Plan your shopping/errands so that you don't load your trunk until you are ready to drive to another destination. Load your trunk when you leave a location — never open a trunk, fill it full of valuables, close it, and then just walk away to do more shopping or other errands.
6. When returning to your vehicle, carry your keys in your hand and be ready to unlock the door and enter as quickly as possible. As you approach your vehicle, scan the area, glance underneath the vehicle, and take a quick look inside before entering.
7. While out and about, present an alert appearance.
8. Shop with friends or relatives if possible; there IS safety in numbers. As you shop, be alert in crowded places.
9. Don't carry a lot of cash and DO have your credit card numbers recorded in a safe location in case they are lost or stolen.
10. While out and about, present an alert appearance. Be aware of your surroundings; scan the area from time to time. Wear conservative, comfortable clothing and minimal jewelry.



EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Fire – Police – Ambulance	911
Poison Control Center	757-722-1131
No Electric Service	888-667-3000
Telephone Repair – Cox	757-222-1100
Telephone Repair – Verizon	800-275-2335
Natural Gas Leak	877-572-3342

These numbers will be included in change 1 to the Homeowners Directory. If there are others you would like to include, please let me know.



This is our community newsletter, please let me know if you have any ideas for future items/articles for the Newsletter, email simbasin@cox.net or call Fayeelaine at 410-9037. Let me know if anyone would be interested in advertising anything for sale that you may want/need to get rid of that maybe of use to others. We can use the newsletter to announce garage sales, special occasions and all of our events that fall under the purview of the social committee.



I have not forgotten that Thanksgiving comes before our Holiday Season, so **HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ALL RESIDENTS IN THE RETREAT AND THEIR FAMILIES.**

