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NEWS YOU CAN USE

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Summer is over! I can't believe it. Where did it go? I'm not ready to give up my sleeveless tops, shorts or bathing suit, let alone my jet ski or my Jon boat "Queen Mary." I didn't have nearly enough time to play. No! No! The summer can't end!!! When it ends, that means the "Great Pumpkin" is coming and I'm getting another year older.

Many residents are saying their summer good-byes and are heading to the warm sunshine of Florida. Some are on their way back to the city and others on to families. Please stop by the office, let's make sure we have correct and updated information on you. Most of all, Joyce and I would like to say, "Be careful on your drive, see you next year, and thank you for sharing the summer with us."

I would also like to thank all the owners, guests and renters who have made my first summer as Park Manager enjoyable. And I also want to thank everyone who took time to stop by personally to tell me how you like the newsletter, and what a great job the security and maintenance personnel, and office assistant are doing. I really appreciate it.

Down to Business

Keys

Please stop by the office and check on your keys. My key box is overflowing with extra keys for some units and there are no keys for

others. If there is an emergency which requires us to get inside and we don't have a key, we will be unable to assist you. Also remember to call us if you plan to have someone stop by the office and ask for your key. We will not give out keys to anyone. We need the owner's permission.

Dumpsters

The dumpsters are looking good... except for the large heavy items which were placed besides the large roll-off. Please put large items in the roll-off dumpster. I do not have anyone who can lift these items. Refrigerators, air conditioners, washers and dryers, batteries, oil and hazmat items cannot be dumped in the roll-off dumpster. Owners will have to dispose of these items themselves. The place to take refrigerators, washers, dryers and air conditioners is to the Central Landfill located at 7091 Central Site Rd, Newark, MD (410-632-3177.) It's about 20 miles from White Horse Park. Batteries and oil must be taken to the Berlin Transfer Station, Flower Street, Berlin, MD (410-632-1194.) Please call these landfills; I believe you can dump for free.

Since the busiest time of the season has past us by I will be cutting back on the dumpster service. We will only be picked up 2 times per week instead of three.

Grass

The grass is getting cut and weed whacked at a slower pace at this time. The reason for this is dew on the grass in the morning, which makes the grass too wet to cut or weed whack. The lone mower can't get out till at least 9-10a.m. Sometimes the grass is too wet even then. At this time of year I only have one grass cutter for the whole park. So please do not moan about grass cutting. If that is all you are upset with in your life: Life is good for you. Smile....

Club House Affairs

The clubhouse activities committee is awesome; they plan and work hard weeks before the event, the night before, during, and clean up after the event. There are only a handful of people who volunteer to do these activities for the park. I would just like to say thank you to them for all their hard work. The crab feast was a success. Everyone appeared to have a good time. Plenty of crabs, crab soup, hot dogs, hamburgers and corn on the cob. They even provided a DJ. I had such a good time I almost didn't go to church, but in the end my conscience won out and I went to church.

We had a pancake breakfast on 26 Sept., but the turnout was not to all impressive. If you could, I'd appreciate feedback on why there was so little of a turn out. Was it you weren't in the park for the breakfast, was the price too high, or another problem?? The clubhouse activities personnel thought with it being Sun Fest weekend that a breakfast would be welcomed by the park community. Please give me your take on this as owners.

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New Years Eve Party

31 Dec 2009

More Info coming; if interested in attending, please shoot me an email or call 410-641-5102.

Hot Water Heaters

This past summer the park has had its share of hot water heaters in owners' units leaking or

bursting. I talked with Joe Serpe and his best advice to owners: when leaving town, turn your water off to your unit and turn off the electric running to the hot water heater. There is usually a separate circuit in your fuse box for the hot water heater. The electric has to be turned off so the heating element doesn't burn up.

Leaves

Leaves are beginning to fall. Please bag your leaves up and bring them to the dumpster area. If you cannot get them to the dumpster area, please leave them by your driveway, call the office, and when the guards do their rounds they will pick up the leaf bags. Please don't make them too heavy.

Electric Bill

All the electric meters have been read: 465 of them. The electric bill will be due by the 15th of Nov. If there is a concern with the bill, please do not hesitate to talk to either Joyce or I. We are here to serve.

Marina

During Sept. we had a day when the rains started in the afternoon and continued all night. The rain brought us 5 inches. The waves in the river were probably hitting about 1 foot. There were white caps on the St. Martins River. Edd Webb, our Dock Master, was constantly at the marina checking on the boats. He checked all through the night. He had to bail out some of the boats because the bilge pumps could not keep up with the amount of rain water. Edd's a hero in my book and the park's. If you have a boat in a slip, please stop by and thank him for not allowing any harm to come to our fleet of boats. All water craft must be out of you boat slip by 01 Nov 2009. We will start winterizing the marina area.

Rules and Regulations

The Board of Directors met on 18 Sept. and worked on the rules of our park. The majority of these rules have been in place for many years, they just haven't been enforced. Other

rules have been added for the safety of the Park Owners/ guest and renters. The rules are for the betterment of the park. So please don't get upset when you see them. If there is something you don't understand or are having problems with, please email me. whpcamd@yahoo.com. I will pass on your concern to the board members. If you just need to vent and you don't want the board to know, just put for "park manager only."

Rules and Regulations continued...

One of the responsibilities of a manager is to listen. I will listen.

The next Board Meeting is Oct 17th.

Dogs (Our Best Friend)/ (Parks worst enemy when owners do not pick up after them)

People have dogs for companionship, for guarding, or maybe just because. When someone has a dog, they accept **responsibility** for the animal when they bring it into White Horse Park. The responsibilities include: rabies vaccine (required by all 50 states and territories); licensing; feeding the dog; being able to control the dog when on a leash, especially if your dog is a mean and/or aggressive; having the dog on a leash at all times while in White Horse Park; picking up after the dog when it relieves itself; keeping it quiet (not excessive barking); and other assumed responsibilities.

What I mainly want to address is **aggressive dogs and walkers not picking up** after their dogs. I have had over 15 complaints on these two items. The walker of the dog is responsible for the dog. The dog has to be under the control of the walker. If the dog is too strong for the walker to control, then that dog needs to be walked by someone else or a different type of collar needs to be put on the dog. If the dog is too aggressive where it frightens people by showing its teeth or growling and barking, then that dog needs to be muzzled or a better collar placed on the dog for controllability. It is the responsibility of the owner to control the dog at all times and not the responsibility of

other owners not to walk their dogs (or kids) by the aggressive dogs' house. If you cannot control the dog it doesn't need to be in White Horse Park! Petco and Petsmart stores sell good harnesses and leads etc., for such dogs.

The staff at White Horse Park (Bob, John, Frank, Bernie, Ron, Jim, Wayne, Karen, Joyce and I) wishes everyone a safe trip to your winter homes. If you come down the Ocean, Hon, please stop by the office and say Hello.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

Susan Naplachowski
Park Manager