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SELLING YOUR LOT?

The Commonwealth of Virginia now requires you to give the buyer a packet containing the following information:

1. Welcome to Malvern.
2. Information required by the 1989 Act of the Virginia Legislature.
3. Deed of Dedication as Amended.
4. Bylaws of Malvern Club.
5. Malvern Club, Inc., Articles of Incorporation.
6. Building Information and Forms.
7. Policy on Reservations and Use of the Clubhouse.
8. Clubhouse Reservation Form.
9. Rules governing the use of the swimming pool and surrounding area.
10. Up to date Income, Expenses and Balance Sheet.
11. Latest Adopted Budget.
12. Map of Malvern.

Packets are available from the Director of Communications. Each packet costs \$ 25.00.

POTHOLE!

Where have all the potholes gone? Residents on Ashlawn, Malvern Drive and the section of Covered Bridge north of Dark Run can now drive on the right hand side of the road without swerving to avoid the many holes in the roads. Part of our budget for roads must go for repairs to existing roads. Winter weather, spring rains, contractor's trucks and our general use cause wear, tear and potholes. It would be nice to call a road contractor in May and have him come out that day to make repairs; however, we are small potatoes and we must wait until the equipment is in this area working on State highways or another big job before our roads get repaired.

Covered Bridge Drive has been widened and resurfaced with hot-top from Dark Run Bridge to Lot 206 at the top of the hill. The hot-top is a minimum 2" thick. Let's hope it lasts.

Sleighbell Lane has been graded, culverts installed and the ditches cut. It is now ready for gravel.

Half Penny Lane has been regraded and ditched to provide better water run off to Bee Gum Way.

Work has begun on Carriage Lane.

Please observe the 25 mile per hour speed limit. This is to minimize damage to the new surfacing and patches. Some damage has already occurred at the juncture of Ashlawn Drive and Malvern Drive. Hot weather softens the surface.

NEW RESIDENTS

Joe and Percy Slovic - lot #18. Joe is a retired exhibit builder and Percy is a retired Government and History high school teacher.

Bill and Ann Moretz - lot # 57. Bill owns PROCAMERA, camera repair and used cameras, Charlottesville. Ann is an insurance agent for Brown and Pulliam in Culpeper.

Bob and Billy Shantz - lot # 163. Bob and Billy are retired motel owners. Bob worked the weekends and ran a grain elevator during the rest of the week in The Thumb of Michigan.

PAY TELEPHONE

A new pay telephone has been set up on the Clubhouse wall to the right of the main entrance. 25¢ per local call. Make sure your child has 25¢ to call home from the swimming pool when necessary.

BULLETIN BOARDS

Bulletin Boards are to be put up at the mail boxes and on the outside of the Clubhouse. These bulletin boards will have locked glass fronts. Leave items to be posted with any member of the Board.

DOCKS AND PIERS

The swimming pier on the north side of the lake is now finished and may be used at any time. Welding on the dock below the clubhouse is complete. Volunteers are needed on Sat. July 10 to nail down planking. No volunteers, no dock. Nails, planking and supervision will be on hand at 9 a.m.. Please bring your own hammer. Call Dave Kalish at 948-3640 to get on the volunteer list.

COMMUNITY CONCERT ASSOCIATION

Each year the Community Concert Association brings an array of concerts, dancers, plays, and performers to Culpeper High School. This coming season there will be: DANCETIME! (Oct.), OLIVER (Nov.), VIENNA STRING ENSEMBLE (Jan. 1994), A NIGHT AT EDDIE CONDON'S (Mar.), and PETER KATER (Apr.). \$25.00 for each adult for a season ticket.

Aberdeen Barn at the Culpeper Holiday Inn, Davis Street Ordinary and China Jade Restaurant give 10% discounts on performance evenings when you show your CCA Membership card. Why not join those of us in Malvern who are members for a small dinner party before the show. Call Dr. Lee Graham for membership applications - 948-6870 evenings. Do it now. Only a few memberships left in Madison.

DOGS - DOGS - DOGS

Members of the Board have received many complaints of dogs running loose in Malvern. Minutes of a previous Board meeting state that dogs shall be under control by their owners at all times either on a leash or fenced in area on the owner's property. Dogs trained to remain on their own property are not considered "running loose". The dog officer will be called to pick up any dog seen running loose on the roadways. Dogs enter the property from outside to chase game and harass residents. If you should see a dog running loose call the dog officer at the Sheriff's number 948-5161.

MOWING OF LOTS

Notice is being mailed out to lot owners concerning mowing of the lots. Lots are mowed twice yearly under contract. Please notify the Board if you intend to take care of the mowing yourself, otherwise your lot will be mowed for you and the Club will bill you.

Lots must be free of tall dry grass because of fire hazard during the summer season.

Dear Editor, Malvern Communicator

For those unaware and also new residents, we wish to share a brief history regarding the two school bus stops we now enjoy within our subdivision, rather than the original stop at our entrance on Route 634.

Prior to obtaining our two new stops, parents were forced to park at the entrance to deliver and pick up children from the bus. Not only did this cause a traffic tie-up for all residents but Route 634 was unsafe for our children loading and unloading the bus. The entire traffic situation was sufficient enough to endanger our children.

For this reason, our Board of Directors went to considerable lengths and expense to obtain special permission for Madison County School busses to enter a private subdivision. The time, meetings, paper work, road repairs, tree removal and the relocation of the entrance island to accomodate the bus and school requirements were a substantial cost to us all. We persued this lengthy process because we cared about the safety of our children.

However, all the above efforts are rapidly becoming jeopardized due to parents who are unaware of state and county regulations governing a school bus, its driver and the safety rules they must adhere to.

Recent and past events between parents and our driver have finally resulted in the removal of our driver. This could have been avoided. The driver (who has cared for our children for over 7 years) and our children did not deserve such a drastic reaction or change. She is one of the best drivers in Madison County and cared deeply for each and every child under her care as they did her. She went above and beyond her duties to protect our children.

We as parents must respect and understand the depths of a bus

drivers responsibilities. We implore all parents, DO NOT attempt to board any bus or personally attack (verbally or physically) the driver of any bus. There are policies and procedures to be followed in the event you feel you or your child has been wronged. How would you feel if a driver allowed a stranger onto the bus, for any reason, and it turned out this stranger was simply a disturbed person who intended harm to the students or driver? Do you really want to take that chance in today's society? How would you react if you drove a bus and were responsible for over 70 children and an irate person approached you over matters you were unaware of? Would you be able to concentrate on your students and driving safely after such a confrontation?

Remember, our school bus drivers are human and most of them parents as well. Their primary responsibility is to see your child safely to and from school. They do not need to be distracted while running their routes. It is against state law for anyone other than drivers and students to board any bus. This is to protect everyone. If you have a problem or wish a conference with your child's driver, please contact Mr. Huckaby at 948-4211. That is what he is there for. He can also supply you with any rules and regulations you might need. If you are still unsatisfied, he can direct you to the proper school board members trained in these matters.

Most importantly, please remember your child is but one of many students that a bus driver is responsible for.

Further, it is important that you be made aware that we are in danger of losing our special bus stops if incidents of this nature continue. It is a special privilege and one that can and will be removed if we continue to attempt

to board the bus and distract our drivers from their duty and responsibility. Are you willing to return to the entrance for our bus stop? Do you want the hassles and dangers it presented for our children not to mention the traffic tie-ups? Is any problem so important as to endanger our children this way again? If you think so, we challenge you to take a job as a bus driver and see first hand what is involved and expected of them.

After all, it is our children who will suffer the most if we as parents cannot learn to follow policies and procedures. Our children have lost a driver who earned their trust and really cared for them. Let us all strive to work within the system and teach our children not to just think of themselves.

Remember, we are growing rapidly and the more children who reside in Malvern, the more we need our special bus stops and the security that our former driver gave us and our children in the past.

Sincerely,

The Owens Family

Patricia Owens

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS REPORT

Clubhouse:No major repairs were required in the clubhouse this year. To make the clubhouse more available the following has been done: 1) an office begun in the Blue Room; 2) bedrooms updated in the Green Room; 3) teen center spruced up and opened. The teen center was kept unlocked for member's use beginning this summer, but unfortunately due to vandalism of that area is now locked at all times. A shower has been installed in the women's room.

As reported previously, a business phone was installed in the office and a pay phone placed outside near the main entrance.

POOL: The Lifeguard/maintenance position was well received this summer. Although having a person there daily to enforce non-member use, the Board will evaluate the cost efficiency of this position. Suggestions will be welcomed. Except for a breakdown of the pumping system on Labor Day, the pool operation went smoothly this summer.

GROUNDS: Stable area has been bush-hogged once each month and weed killer applied around the building. No definite plans have been formed for this area, but the Board will be looking for future uses for this area.

Front entrance: Once again, after two short years, the sign post is in need of repair and painting. I will be looking at other posts and signs that will be more weather resistant. Any suggestions/concerns/assistance will be welcomed.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS COMMITTEE: I would like to revive this committee. There are many opportunities for Malvern residents to assist with the upkeep of the area. If you are able to help, please let me know.

Kathy Clements

CLUBHOUSE PHONE 948-3462

MALVERN CLUB, INC

POLICY ON RESERVATIONS AND USE OF CLUBHOUSE AND CLUB FACILITIES

JUNE 1993

With the dramatic increase in the number of Malvern residents and consequent use of the common facilities, it has become necessary to revise our rules and regulations governing all facilities: Clubhouse, apartment, Teen Center, pool and lake.

CLUBHOUSE:

1. Overnight use:

a. There are two bedrooms in the Clubhouse now. Room rental is \$15.00 per bedroom per night. Maximum 6 persons.

b. Reservations are limited to 5 consecutive days at any one time.

c. Sleeping in other areas of the Clubhouse is not allowed.

d. All reservations are on a first come first serve basis.

2. Day use of facilities:

a. For picnics, church outings, family reunions, civic organizations, social club meetings, receptions, weddings, parties, etc., there will be a charge of \$50.00 per day for the full use of the Clubhouse. There will be a charge of \$25.00 per day for the TeenCenter only. There is no additional charge on the size of the group.

b. There will be no parties or other activities sponsored by non-Club members. Only Club members may request use of the Clubhouse for their own personal use or for an organization of which they are a member.

3. Cleanliness: The Clubhouse must be kept clean and presentable at all times. for use by lot owners. The paid cleaning person comes once per week. As we know, the Clubhouse was not designed for hard or careless usage and, therefore, each person must clean it before leaving after overnight s or sponsored functions. The vacuum cleaner is in the hall closet and other cleaning materials are located in the cabinets under the kitchen sink.

4. **SMOKING IS PROHIBITED** in the Clubhouse, Teen Center and bedrooms.

5. Use without charge: There will be no charge for a property owner arriving with members of his immediate family to spend the day.

6. Vehicles may not be parked on any grassed area.

7. Swim suits are not allowed in any area of the Clubhouse. The Teen Center will be open for use of the restroom and for changing.

8 Use of the facilities is restricted to members in good standing.

Because of the increased use of these facilities, please make your reservations well in advance through Mrs. Linda Place 948-4141. Please pay the rental fee at the time you pick up the keys. If other payment arrangements are necessary please make them with Mrs. Place. Linda Place, Malvern Box 2. Madison, VA 22727.

GARDEN NOTES

by
RAY BRUSH

Snap dragons, pansies, petunias and many other annual flowers do best when the spent blooms are removed. The plant's energy is thus used for new blooms rather than producing seed.

July and August are important months for mulching plants to carry them through dry periods. Two to three inches of mulch is most satisfactory. Four inches may be too much on the Malvern clay soil should we have excessive rain.

Shade and flowering trees have made their early flush of growth. Low hanging branches make it difficult to mow under them and should be removed by mid July if they have not already been removed. With young trees be sure to examine the top of the tree and remove any side branch which if left would form a very narrow crotch or angle to the leader or main trunk. An angle less than 30° increases the possibility that wind, ice or snow would break out that branch as the narrow crotches are weak.

It is not too late to plant cabbage, broccoli, cauliflower or brussels sprouts for a fall crop to be harvested in October or November when temperature and moisture are more suitable for braccias.

MALVERN RETIRED MEN'S LUNCH

The men met at the Clubhouse for a sandwich (make your own) lunch, July 2. A deli platter of meats and cheeses plus potato salad and cole slaw, plus a platter of condiments washed down by beer, lemonade, iced tea and coffee was enjoyed by all.

Next luncheon: August 6 place to be announced.

POTPOURRI

Saturday, July 10. Culpeper Farmer's Market, 7 a.m. to 11 am, at the corner of East Davis and Commerce Streets. Across the corner from the train station. For further information call Donna at 948-3310.

July 4 is Independence Day. You may buy fireworks in Virginia but it is against the law to set them off. Well, that's why we have elected Representatives. Nothing like consistency.

MAIL BOXES - If you want a post office box out front, call Dave Kalish, 948-3640. No cost and you get two keys. Mail is delivered around 9:30 a.m. daily except Sunday. You may also leave letters to be mailed, just make sure they are stamped.

APOLOGIES TO: JOE & PERCY SLOWIC FOR SPELLING THEIR NAME INCORRECTLY. Raspberries to the Editor for Typing SIGHT for SITE.

July 7 - Windmore Writers' Guild meets in Culpeper. Call Lee Graham for more info. 948-6870.

Start planning to separate and replant iris in August. Got some extras? Let the editor know and it will be published so others may have the pleasure of growing them and seeing their beauty in the spring.

Set out your Japanese Beetle traps. The females are already out and I have seen a few males. By July 4, they should be everywhere.

Call Karen Place at 948-5063, if you have any paperback or hard cover books to donate to the Clubhouse library.