



Ashcombe Farms Newsletter

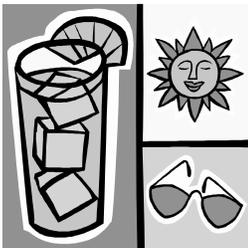
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Summer Issue



ATTENTION:

Dover Township's Brush Drop Off Facility open on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays each month from 7:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

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Executive Board Election

Since there were only two nominations for the two openings on the Executive Board – Eric Saindon and Fred King – the Executive Board has checked with our legal counsel as to whether or not we needed to go through the process of the election. This costs money and involves a lot of time. With legal counsel's approval, Eric Saindon and Fred King are declared elected by a Vote of Acclamation. Both will have a term of three years with their terms ending June 1, 2017. The Board members and officers are as follows: Executive Board President – Rich Farr; Executive Board Vice President – Karen Hetrick; HOA Treasurer – Eric Saindon; HOA Executive Board Secretary –David Brown (staff); Fred King, and Mike Swank – members at large. Dennis Bowman remains as the HOA Bookkeeper.

In addition, the Executive Board also hired David Brown, as Executive Board Secretary. The former Secretary, Judy Jackson, will assist Mr. Brown in the transition. Mr. Brown is fully qualified for this position but will not have a vote in any Executive Board decision.

HOA Summer Garage Sale Date

Clean out that basement, garage, or shed—it's time to sell, sell, sell! The next community wide garage sale for the Ashcombe Farms HOA will be Friday and Saturday, **August 15th and 16th**. The hours of the community wide Garage Sale will be from **9:00 to 3:30 on all dates**. All residents are encouraged to participate!



Fireworks Frequently Asked Questions



Q: Can I use fireworks in Pennsylvania?

A: State law prohibits the use of Consumer and Display Fireworks in Pennsylvania without a permit. Items defined as "ground and hand-held sparkling devices", "novelties" and "toy caps" in American Pyrotechnics Association (APA) Standard 87-1 are not currently regulated by State Law; therefore, their sale and use are permissible. These "non-fireworks" are the only types allowed to be sold from tents, stands, convenience stores, retail establishments and other various outlets not licensed by the Department of Agriculture. (Title 35, Chapter 13A, Sections 1271 & 1275)

Q: Can I buy regular fireworks – not sparklers or novelty items -- under any conditions?

A: This answer depends on whether or not you are a Pennsylvania resident. Pennsylvania residents: May purchase Consumer Fireworks only with a display permit issued by the municipality wherein the display will take place. *Non-residents:* An amendment to the Fireworks Law, effective November 30, 2004, makes it legal, upon proof of out-of-state residency status, to purchase Consumer Fireworks from a facility licensed by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture provided the Consumer Fireworks are transported directly out of state by the seller or purchaser. (Title 35, Chapter 13A, Section 1275)

Q: How do I get a permit for a fireworks display?

A: The Commonwealth does not issue permits for firework displays and does not oversee the issuance of permits by the municipalities. A permit for a fireworks display must be obtained from the municipality where the display will take place. The municipality is the only governing body with authority to issue this permit under reasonable rules and regulations adopted by them. Upon inspection of the display site by the fire chief, or other designated officer, and the posting of a bond of at least \$500 for any possible damages, the municipality may issue a permit to a person they deem competent.

If you are hiring someone to perform the display, that person or corporation must be registered with the Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General. If you are not hiring someone, you can attempt to obtain the status of "competent operator" from the municipality where the display will take place.

Questions concerning display permits should be directed to the appropriate municipality.

Any business entity that performs, provides, or supervises fireworks displays or exhibitions for profit must register annually with the Office of Attorney General. For more information, contact the Office of Attorney General, Criminal Law Division, at (717) 787-3391. (Title 35, Chapter 13A, Sections 1273, 1274, 1275.2 & 1276.2)

Q: Who enforces the Fireworks Law?

A: Any Law Enforcement Officer having jurisdiction may make an arrest and confiscate fireworks under the Fireworks Law. To report a violation of the Fireworks Law contact the Police Department servicing your area as would to report any other crime. (Title 35, Chapter 13A, Section 1278)

Paying HOA Fees

Please remember all HOA fees are to be sent to:

**Dennis Bowman,
Redstone Financial Services,
17 Parkland Court, Gettysburg, PA 17325.**

Placing HOA fee payments in the HOA Drop Box or mailing them to the HOA PO Box could **delay** having your payment processed appropriately.

All checks need to be made out to **Ashcombe Farms Dover HOA.**

The Board thanks you for your assistance in this matter!



Financial Statement

Ashcombe Farms Dover HOA Income & Expense vs. Budget January through May 2014

	<u>Jan - May 14</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
Income			
General Account Income			
GA Annual Fees	34,853.60	39,120.00	89.1%
GA Undesignated Funds	1.69		
Total General Account Income	34,855.29	39,120.00	89.1%
Reserve Account Savings			
RA Initiation Fees	2,400.00	4,200.00	57.1%
RA Penalties & Interest	466.28	1,000.00	46.6%
RA Resale Certifications	500.00	700.00	71.4%
Total Reserve Account Savings	3,366.28	5,900.00	57.1%
Townhome Income			
TH Income Fees	23,512.50	50,000.00	47.0%
Total Townhome Income	23,512.50	50,000.00	47.0%
Total Income	61,734.07	95,020.00	65.0%
Expense			
General Account Expenses			
GA Attorney's Fees	2,673.70	3,000.00	89.1%
GA Bookkeeper	550.00	450.00	122.2%
GA Common Area Lawns	2,895.00	26,000.00	11.1%
GA Cont. to Cash Reserves	0.00	2,000.00	0.0%
GA Insurance	501.00	3,250.00	15.4%
GA Miscellaneous	-1.58	130.00	-1.2%
GA Newsletter Printing	30.00	400.00	7.5%
GA Office Supplies	9.53	200.00	4.8%
GA Postage	171.60	200.00	85.8%
GA Printing - General Mailings	294.15	350.00	84.0%
GA Property Maintenance	0.00	600.00	0.0%
GA Secretary	250.00	600.00	41.7%
GA Snow Removal	1,630.00	1,200.00	135.8%
GA Tax Preparation/ Fin. Review	0.00	500.00	0.0%
GA Website Management	0.00	240.00	0.0%
Total General Account Expenses	9,003.40	39,120.00	23.0%
Townhome Expenses			
Miscellaneous	0.00	100.00	0.0%
TH Bank Charges	0.00	50.00	0.0%
TH Bookkeeper	675.00	2,250.00	30.0%
TH Cont. to Cash Reserves	0.00	1,500.00	0.0%
TH Financial Review	0.00	300.00	0.0%
TH Lawn Care	12,962.50	30,000.00	43.2%
TH Office Supplies	0.00	200.00	0.0%
TH Secretary	250.00	600.00	41.7%
TH Snow Removal	7,220.00	15,000.00	48.1%
Total Townhome Expenses	21,107.50	50,000.00	42.2%
Total Expense	30,110.90	89,120.00	33.8%
Net Income	31,623.17	5,900.00	536.0%

Check us out on line at
AshcombeFarmsHOA.com

Executive Board

Richard Farr - President
Karen Hetrick - Vice President
David Brown - Secretary
Eric Saindon- Treasurer
Mike Swank- Board Member
Fred King—Board Member

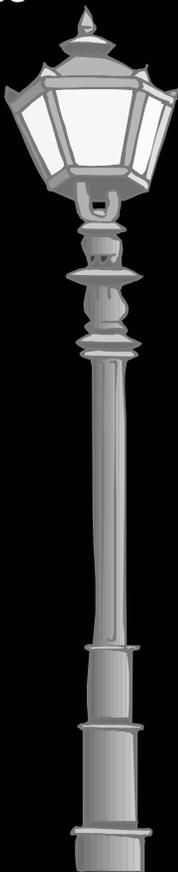
Neat and Tidy Siding

In the last newsletter, the Executive Board reminded lot owners about the neat and tidy yards definition of this HOA regulation. The Executive Board wishes to remind all lot owners, that definition includes removing mold off of siding. Some lot owners may have received noncompliance letters regarding mold on their siding. Mold must be removed in order for lot owners to be in full compliance of this regulation. Please check your siding and keep it clean.



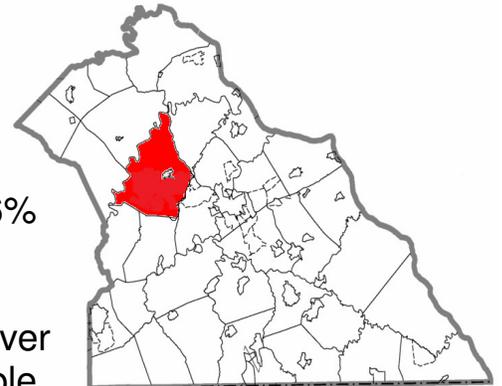
Top Noncompliance Issues:

- 1) Keep Outside Light on Overnight**
- 2) Trash Can Stored Out of sight**
- 3) Cleaning Up "Dog Dirt"**
- 4) Lot Owner Requests**
- 5) Recreation vehicles stored out of sight**



Did you know...It was under the authority of the Lancaster County Court that Dover Township was formed in 1743. It was formed out of old Manchester Township which was so large that it even extended into Adams County. The township's name, Dover, was selected because of an Englishman's nostalgia for his earlier home in England.

Dover Township occupies 42.1 square miles in the Northwestern part of York County. Of this, 99.76% consists of land and the remaining 0.24% is water. As of the 2010 census, Dover Township had 21,078 people comprising of 8,715 households.



<http://www.dovertownship.org>

**SPEED
LIMIT
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**The speed limit in our
Neighborhood is 25 mph!**

**Our neighbors and the children are enjoying
the warmer weather. DRIVE SAFELY!**