

# THE MALVERN COMMUNICATOR

## **ROAD COMMITTEE:**

The paving of all Malvern roads has been completed. The entrance island has been redesigned (which looks wonderful!) and the entrance area has been repaved. There is a patch repair on Ashlawn Drive and Old Forge Way that still needs to be completed, and gravel needs to be added to some shoulders.

## **CLUBHOUSE**

**RESERVATIONS:** Clubhouse reservations and use are at an all-time high. Reservations are on a first come first serve basis to members in good standing. Please get your specific dates and information in early to Leona Yoder.

**UPDATES:** We are continuing to explore ways to improve the Clubhouse. Estimates have been obtained on window replacement. At this point it may be too expensive to replace all the windows at once, but the large bedroom windows will be our first priority.

We are also exploring how to improve the HVAC system in the Clubhouse, particularly in the dining room where heat and AC flow is poor.

The Teen Center has been cleaned out and we need to decide how to use that space. Any and all suggestions will be reviewed. Please contact Gerry Monat or any Board member with your ideas.

## **ARCHITECTURE COMMITTEE:**

**REMINDER:** applications for new construction and structural or environmental modifications can be found on the website at the 'Documents and Forms' link at the bottom of the home page. Please see "Building Package" for details.

**APPLICATIONS:** all applications must be received by the first Thursday of any month to be considered for that particular month. Applications recommended by the Architectural and Environmental committee will be submitted to the Board for approval at the monthly board meeting, held on the second Thursday of each month.

**Applications should be mailed to:**

**Malvern Club, Atten: Architectural Committee, 905 Malvern Drive, Madison, VA 22727.**

**Call Paul Hankla, Chairperson, with any questions.**

### **DOCK:**

Our main dock has seen an increase of visitors this year. Unfortunately, some of these visitors have left behind trash on the grounds and in the lake. If you visit the dock, please do not litter!

Also, the designated parking area for the dock is to the right, in a mowed area and designated by the "Parking" sign. Cars must not park in the loop or any place other than the designated area. The loops must be kept clear since it is a fire lane and fire trucks

must have free access at all times in case of emergency. "NO PARKING" is clearly marked in the loop area. Please observe this rule. Please let's all work together to keep Malvern a safe, clean and attractive community.

## **LONG RANGE PLANNING:**

Currently the committee is researching guidelines on assumptions on return on investments, cost increases and capitol component life for use in planning. The VA Property Owners' Assoc. Act may be helpful in deciding what reserves are required to repair, replace and restore capitol components – such as the Clubhouse, Dam, roads and Pool – and how to budget those reserves.

## **BUILDING AND GROUNDS:**

This year in Malvern the Building & Grounds committee saw several projects take place to improve the community:

The fences at the entrance/mailbox area were power washed and painted. The Island was redesigned to allow larger vehicles to enter without destroying part of the Island, and many of the boards on the Dock were replaced.

This work could not have been accomplished without volunteers. A BIG thank you! goes out to all those who helped and to Karen Pilkerton for organizing the efforts.

## **VOLUNTEER UPDATE:**

Volunteers play an important part in keeping costs down in Malvern, thus helping to maintain lower than normal association dues! Our volunteers have been busy with many projects essential to keeping our neighborhood a safe and enjoyable place to live.

We've mentioned the front entrance improvements, replacement of boards on the Dock, fence cleaning, etc. But did you know the back of the Dam has been kept clear of growth, missing pool tiles replaced, shrubs and trees trimmed at the Clubhouse and a garden installed near the patio? Gutters were cleaned, splash blocks installed at down spouts, crawl space doors are repaired, the large bedroom has been repainted and redecorated and the teen center cleaned. The small bedroom by the kitchen was cleared out and is now used as meeting space. New toilets were installed in the ladies bathroom and three new picnic tables were built for the Clubhouse.

Additionally, volunteers have taken items to the transfer station and picked up trash and debris along our roads and common areas.

Thanks to our Board, committee members and Webmaster for volunteering their time for the benefit of the community.

A special thanks to John Hull, owner of Quality Plumbing, for volunteering to install the toilets in the Clubhouse.

Please thank Garth Bagley the next time you see him for managing the member packets for Malvern. If you need any packet information contact Garth!

Also thank you to: Linda and Samantha Brown, Kathy and Paul Clements, Kemper Deane, Charlie Egen, Cindy and John Green, Paul Hankla, Bill Hunt, Nancy Lambert, Jay Miller, Don Nicholson, Jimmy Portela, Gary Pilkerton, Bill Rowe, Frank and Barbara Sargent, Bob Shantz, Glen and Leona Yoder, Bob and Claire Anderson, Christine Brown, Caroline and Ginnie Busick, Melissa and Rod Carroll, Barry Cliver, JoAnn Egen, Barbara and Joe Graham, Tom and Deb Hendricks, Wallace Harvey, Roberta Jalbert, Pat Rowe and Angie Wiseman for signing up for future projects!

Please consider joining our volunteer force – a great way to get to know your neighbors! Call Karen Pilkerton at 948-3230.

## CHANGES TO THE MALVERN BOARD

Those names with an \* were appointed by the Board to fill vacated positions:

At the annual meeting in April, 2006 Bill Hunt, Linda Brown, Bob Anderson and Paul Hankla were elected for a 2 year term ending April, 2008. At the July 2006 monthly Board meeting President Bill Hunt and Secretary Linda Brown resigned effective July 2006. Frank Sargent was appointed interim President and Roberta Jalbert interim Secretary.

These appointees will need to be voted on by the Malvern members at the Oct. 21, 2006 budget meeting.

<b>President</b>	<b>Frank Sargent*</b>	<b>540-948-3977</b>
<b>Vice President</b>	Bill Rowe	540-948-7092
<b>Treasurer</b>	<b>Bob Anderson</b>	<b>540-948-4545</b>
<b>Secretary</b>	Roberta Jalbert*	540-948-6441
<b>Architectural Committee</b>	<b>Paul Hankla</b>	<b>540-948-7074</b>
<b>Building &amp; Grounds Committee</b>	Jay Miller	540-948-5104
<b>Clubhouse Committee</b>	<b>Jerry Monnat</b>	<b>703-217-9031</b>
<b>Public Relations</b>	Roberta Jalbert*	540-948-6441
<b>Roads Committee</b>	<b>Frank Sargent*</b>	<b>540-948-3997</b>

E-mail address: [board@MalvernOfMadison.org](mailto:board@MalvernOfMadison.org)

In Spring of 2007, Board positions will be open. If you have an interest in serving on the Board, please contact one of the Board members.

### **FROM THE PRESIDENT:**

**POOL PROBLEMS:** This is the second season Mike Perryman has been hired by Malvern to open, maintain and close the pool. This has worked very well. However, the small size of the pool coupled with heavy use and high heat/humidity this summer caused an outbreak of mustard algae. The pool had to be closed to kill the algae and flush it through the system. A pool committee is being formed to study the future need for a pool that will accommodate the number of users, what the related costs will be, pool regulations and user fees. Members are Bill Rowe, Chairperson, Mike Perryman, Sharon Taylor, Melissa & Rod Carroll. Please feel free to offer suggestions, expertise, time, etc. to help with this important decision.

### **COMMUNITY BULLETIN:**

I am a Mom looking to form a day play group with other Malvern moms with children of all ages. If you are interested please contact: Valerie Miller, 948-5104 or [vmiller03@yahoo.com](mailto:vmiller03@yahoo.com).

### **FOR CONSIDERATION:**

Some residents have voiced an interest in having mail delivery directly to their homes. The Postmaster has no objection, however we would have to change mail delivery 100%. We could not keep mailboxes for those who prefer them and home delivery for those who prefer that option.

We would also have to agree on the look of the mailbox and posts, placement of same and colors. Please come the October budget meeting for further discussion.

## **LITTER:**

Who is littering?

Recently, a volunteer bush hogging the roadways in Malvern took a trash bag along. By the end of his work day, he had filled the bag with soda and beer bottles, cans, cigarette packs, and all sorts of fast-food Styrofoam and paper debris. It's hard to imagine that residents, our **neighbors**, would casually throw their trash out as they drive along the roads. It's also hard to imagine that non-residents would take the trouble to drive into Malvern to clean out their vehicles. If you see litter please pick it up. If you are littering please remember someone else has to clean up after you!

Please join us in October when the Malvern Adopt-A-Highway crew will once again head out to the right and left of the entrance to clean up two miles of Route 634.

We give our volunteers a route and a period of time ( 1 week) to choose their own day and time. They are issued orange plastic bags and vests for safety. The goal is to have enough helpers that each team can get finished in an hour and a half. The filled bags are deposited at the entrance and VDOT is very prompt about picking them up. To offer to help out with the clean-up, call Ann Ferguson at 948-5365.

## **WEBSITE:**

The Malvern website – [malvernofmadison.org](http://malvernofmadison.org) – has a wonderful, but underused feature – the Bulletin Board. This feature allows residents to chat about issues of all types, but particularly issues related to our community. If you have questions, comments, concerns or just want to say how much you like Malvern, please consider using the website! Minutes of all Board meetings are posted here also if you would like to catch up on them!

## **WILDLIFE SIGHTINGS:**

Our community has many wildlife visitors. We all see deer on a regular basis, however, an albino deer and other white-spotted deer are seen occasionally.

Coyotes take regular walks through the area and foxes have been seen in the past. It was a year or more ago that bear cubs were spotted near one property, but that has been the only report – must have been just passing through.

Also, there was a sighting of tracks and the sound of a roar (or more like a screech) from what was believed to be a mountain lion in the vicinity of Dark Run. A Game Warden checked out the tracks and confirmed they matched those of a mountain lion. Only that one sighting has been reported. Hopefully, he was just passing through also!

Wild turkeys are a regular part of the scene, the piliated woodpecker makes a showy sight running up the trunks of trees and, of course, the brilliant-hued male cardinal flits around everywhere to let us know why it is the Virginia state bird. If you see any unusual furry or feathered creatures, call one of the board members so we can keep track of our wildlife visitors.

**Malvern must have a quorum of 50 lot owners in order to hold our October meeting. If you are not able to attend please fill out, sign and return your Proxy form.**

# Proxy

(I)(We), \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ as owner(s) of Lot(s)\*\*# \_\_\_\_\_ Malvern Club, Inc. under the provisions of the duly recorded legal instruments governing said Club, do hereby grant my/our Proxy to \_\_\_\_\_ of Malvern Club Inc., 905 Malvern Drive, Madison, VA 22727, owner of Lot # \_\_\_\_\_. This proxy is executed and carries with it the full right of the members. This Proxy is executed for the Fall 2006 Membership Meeting, to be held on October 21, 2006, 10:00 AM, at the Madison Presbyterian Church.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature (Owner): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature (Owner): \_\_\_\_\_

\*\* Each lot is entitled to one vote. Please indicate all lots owner. Fold in half, with proxy facing inward and return.