



Home Acres Herald

Spring 2008

---Neighborhood Events---

Join the Home Acres BOARD

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Welcome to warmer weather and lots of neighborhood events right around the calendar's corner. In Home Acres, neighbors contribute time and efforts to keep it all going—the events and activities for families and kids, the newsletter delivery, the annual barbeque--and over the past few years, the restoration and improvement of our beautiful entry walls and gardens. Think about making your contribution of time and talent this year. Please call Dina Wagner at 461-1868 (36 Eastland,) to talk over taking a spot on the neighborhood board. There are other ways to contribute, too. Sign on to help out with one or more of the following events this spring, summer or fall.

We hope you will respond to our invitation to help out or take the lead at one or more of the upcoming events. Many, many thanks in advance.

Sunday, May 18

Lilac 10 K Race
8:30 – 10:30 a.m.

As in past years, the Lilac Festival 10K Race organizers are asking HA neighbors to help out with a runners' water stop. Last year there were over 1,500 runners! As we have several HA residents actually running, they can't be on the sidelines to help provide the tables, water and cups. So let's support the race as well as our neighbor-runners - please volunteer to stand roadside to pour water, hand cups to runners and walkers moving by, and clean up. Read on....

CALL FOR RACE VOLUNTEERS: Adult and teen volunteers are needed from about 8:00 a.m. Sunday morning until about 10:15-10:30 a.m. Remind your teens that this is a great way to fulfill part of their community service requirement. Adult and teen volunteers *only*--No kids please--its too dangerous with determined runners trying to keep up their speed--

Please call Jean Blasdell at 244-2271 (53 Westland) to volunteer and to get more info about the 10K.

Monday, May 26

Memorial Day Parade

10:15 a.m.

Meet at the corner of Westland and Edgemere

With a fire and police escort, our kids decorate their bikes and follow the parade leader Fire Truck to our Font Hill Park destination for sweet treats and our first celebration of the season. Come early and help pass out balloons, Kazoos, and flags to the children.

Special Note: Please help us this year to keep kids from riding bikes in front of the moving Fire Truck - it's a safety issue. Thanks!

CALL FOR PARADE Volunteers: Leaders Jill Roberts (107 Westland) and Shannon McKinnon (98 Southern Pky) could use some help on parade to help organize and set up road blocks, pass out ice cream, and clean up. Please call Jill Roberts at 473-3003 or Shannon at 461-0794 to pitch in.

**Friday, Saturday and Sunday
June 6, 7, and 8th**

Home Acres Garage Sale
8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. each day rain or shine

Put the annual HA Garage Sale on your calendar! These three days will be advertised in the *Brighton-Pittsford Post* and the *Democrat & Chronicle* to accommodate the many requests we've had from HA neighbors for adding Friday to attract the more "serious" shoppers (you know who you are!), as well as those who prefer the traditional Saturday-Sunday sale format.

---Notices/Updates---

Home Acres Business Memberships

Over the years a number of neighbors have asked for a way to advertise their businesses within Home Acres. In responses, the Home Acres Board decided to create a new business membership. For a fee of \$20/year, business members will be listed on a new page on the website as well as the annual printed Home Acres Directory. Our hope is that this page will become a reference point for neighbors to support our neighbors.

The website listings will be limited to the business name, a 25-word (or less) description, your phone number and web URL, and a small logo/picture. The intent is to keep things low-key and *tasteful* (no *garish web ads*) and all listings will be subject to the approval of the Home Acres Board and webmaster. Business members must be owned or partially owned by a Home Acres resident. Also welcome as business members are agents for larger companies (insurance, real estate, etc.)

If you are interested in becoming a Home Acres business member, please e-mail your information to Dan Blasdell at:

email@homeacres.org

**Save the Date for the Annual HA
Barbeque in September**

We'll need lots of volunteer help on this one. **Save Saturday, September 6** (and Sunday, September 7, in case it rains.) More details later in the season! Please call Dina Wagner at 461-1868 to volunteer. (*Did I say we need you??*)

Welcome New Home Acres Neighbors

Do you know of a new neighbor—either already moved in, or coming? Please contact Shannon MacKinnon at 461-0794—or @ (shannonmackinnon@hotmail.com) (98 Southern Parkway) and she will see they get a big Home Acres Welcome.

**Brighton Farmer's Market –
Opening Soon!**

The new Brighton Farmers' Market is being sponsored by the Town of Brighton and the Green Brighton Task Force. The market opens on Sunday, June 1 in the Brighton High School parking lot. It will be held every Sunday through October 26, rain or shine, from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Come for fresh and delicious fruits and vegetables, as well as meats, baked goods, flowers, and plants. Help support local farmers who, by growing food in sustainable ways, create a healthier food supply and a cleaner environment. Meet your neighbors, bring the kids, and enjoy summer in Brighton!

---Good Neighbor Reminders---

With the warmer weather come open windows. Everyone is working different schedules, but could we all agree to refrain from using motorized lawn mowers, gas-fueled weed whackers, chain saws/blowers, and electric hedge trimmers before 9 am? Thanks—you will be loved, appreciated and admired by your neighbors!

~Doggie Doodles~

Also, barks here and there from our resident doggies are part of living in a neighborhood. No problem. But chronic/long time-term (and late-night and early morning...the list could go on and on...) barking is tough to take. Please do see that your dog does not bark endlessly when outdoors. Thanks.

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-- About this Newsletter ---***

Distributed three times throughout the year, the HA Herald provides info about special events, important upcoming dates, news items of interest to the 'hood, suggestions for improvements, "good neighbor reminders", and future HA activities. Please forward items of newsletter interest to Julie Beckley (114 Westland, 271-8267), HA Herald editor, @ beckley.julie@gmail.com