

May 2021

Dear Rustic Ridge Friends,

Happy May!!! After more than a year of Covid, let's hope for a bright summer! We hope that each of you has stayed well and fine. Now that summer is almost here, I thought the following items would be of interest.

We are pleased that The Moody Center has withdrawn its proposal for the large development it had proposed for Highland Avenue. This will preserve the quiet character of that street and means that we can keep using the tennis courts. Many thanks to those of you who have sent contributions to cover the upkeep of the courts and to Lucy and Phil Livingston for their oversight .

We are deeply saddened by the deaths of Ridge friends. We will miss our beloved Stan Foster who died in March. He visited Northfield last summer. We are also saddened by the death of a daughter and grandson of Kurt Nelson .

Margie Conner reports that "The East Northfield Water Company (ENWC) issues are ongoing, but Thomas Aquinas College and other local entities are now involved in seeking solutions to the price hikes and water quality issues. Check out saveeastnorthfieldwater.com for further updates".

For those hiring Jason Wallace as a plumber know that he has joined a larger plumbing company called Hartnett. He will need greater lead time for projects. His number is 413 624-0044.

To employ Gus Heydenreich to open your cottage, remember to give him a call well in advance so that he can schedule your request. His number is 413 834-7466.

We are grateful to all who have paid their dues. We look forward to receiving funds from those who need this reminder!

This summer promises Rustic Ridge quietude and retreat. It also promises time to reconnect. Please check out the Rustic Ridge website and Facebook where you will find key events listed. We are grateful to Bob Ziegenhagen for his work on the website, to Catherine Broadhead for her work on Facebook, and to Jeannie Bubriski for her work in making up the schedule. Key dates thus far are: July 3, 9:30 am parade followed by reception and 6:30 Lobster Fest ; July 31, 2:00-6:00 tentative Cottage Crawl or Porch Rocking Ramble; August 7, 9:30 am Annual Meeting and 6:00 Annual Picnic; and August 8, 10:30 Annual Ridge Sunday. Other activities may include: hikes, ping pong, tennis, swimming, arts and crafts, game night, ghost stories, gardening... Keep checking FB and website!

We hope to welcome everyone back to Rustic Ridge for a summer of relaxation and reconnection!!

With every best wish,

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President, Rustic Ridge Association