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**Fernleigh Board of Directors:**

M. Eugene Hewitt, President  
Ronald Fish, Vice President  
Charles (Bob) Marshall, Treasurer  
Ann Megronigle, Secretary  
Lawrence (Lanny) McLaughlin, Member at Large

Our condolences to the family and friends of Gene Hewitt who passed away November 1, 2010. Gene and his wife Pat are original residents of Fernleigh. Gene served as President of the Fernleigh Homeowner's Association. He will be greatly missed.

**Pruning** – Now is the time of year homeowners should be thinking about cutting back any perennials that have been planted in foundation beds or at the mailbox.

**Fernleigh Golf Outing**

The Fernleigh/ Coldstream Crossing golf outing was held on Thursday September 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Spring Hollow Golf Club. Fernleigh and Coldstream Crossing players teed it up in a competitive match. Fernleigh brought home the trophy. Eric Silver was on the

winning team. Congratulations to Eric and all the Fernleigh golfers. Weather was good and all players are looking forward to next year's event.

**Fernleigh Block Party**

The first annual block party was held on September 19<sup>th</sup> on Grayson Circle. Over 60 homeowners attended each bringing a covered dish. Attendees commented that this was a wonderful way to meet neighbors they may not have normally met.

**A+L Committee News- Dave Garlick, Chairperson**

The A & L Committee members, who serve at the Board's pleasure, are Dave Garlick (Chair), Joyce Dexter, Gene and Connie Gifford, Pat Hewitt, Sue Marshall, and Bob Rizzo. The committee would like to review the A&L Request process with you to ensure that there are no misunderstandings, and that the review process works in a timely fashion. First, before any permanent changes, removals, or additions are made to unit exteriors, a written request must be submitted to Wentworth Property Management (forms are available at Wentworth Connect or via email from Wentworth - utarver@wentworthmgt.com). The requests are then logged in and tracked by our property manager. A copy of the request is then sent to the committee chair, and a review date is sent to all of the committee members (usually within 7 days of receipt). The committee meets to review each request, and a consensus recommendation is prepared for presentation to the Board. **Our goal is same month action on each A & L**

Should you have any questions, please contact Uchechi Tarver at (610) 650-0600, extension 128 or E-mail utarver@wentworthmgt.com

**request submitted by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month.** Action on requests submitted after the fifteenth might be deferred to the following month's meeting. The Board meets on the last Wednesday each month, and the first order of business is A & L Request discussion. After hearing the A & L Committee recommendations the board then deliberates, and comes to a decision with a formal vote on each request. The decision can be to accept as submitted, accept with conditions, deny the request, or kick it back for more detailed information. This last possibility is frustrating for all concerned and can lead to a 30 day delay, so please be very specific with your requests. We thank you for your cooperation in helping to ensure timely responses to each and every A & L Request.

### **Homeowner Landscape Suggestion**

When Fernleigh was built approximately 15 years ago, foundation beds at the sides of a few buildings were void of any planted shrubs or bushes and therefore look unfinished. The A&L Committee recommends that to maintain and improve the appearance of your home, homeowners should consider planting bushes in this area. This will also cover any utility meters/boxes that may be evident. Should you decide to landscape this area, please submit your plans in advance to Wentworth for A&L and Board approval. This is a homeowner expense.

### **Fernleigh Homeowners Association- Annual Election Meeting**

We want to invite all homeowners to participate in managing The Fernleigh Homeowner's Association. The best way to do that is to run for a board position beginning January 2011. Fernleigh is one of the premier townhome communities in the area and we continue to strive to keep it that

way. The Annual Election Meeting of the Fernleigh Homeowners Association will be held on Wednesday, December 8, 2010 at the Phoenixville Country Club. Applications for election can be obtained by calling or e-mailing Wentworth.

### **Holiday Party**

The social committee has scheduled the Holiday Party for December 12, 2010 at the Phoenixville Country Club. Mark your calendars. Details will be forthcoming.

### **Schuylkill Twp Area History-**

In the 1960's the Phoenixville YMCA swimming pool was located where it is today, on Pothouse Road west of Whitehorse Road. However the original YMCA building was located on Main St in Phoenixville.



*Children enjoying a summer day at the YMCA pool*

In later years the YMCA opened their new building next to the existing pool on Pothouse Rd.

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