

STRAUS PARK NEWSLETTER

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With this hopeful heading, we launch an oft-requested community newsletter in an effort to keep Straus Park residents and friends up-to-date on what's happening in the neighborhood. (For economy's sake, it will be distributed by e-mail; but extra copies will be available in the Lake House foyer.)

For now, the sheet will be nothing fancy - but we welcome volunteers skilled in formatting and graphics to dress it up in the future if desired, as well as volunteers to contribute future articles. Also welcome would be a more inspired name for this publication. (Contact Rae Glover at 884-5022 or nrglo@citcom.net)

Master Association

As you're aware, Straus Park is governed by a Master Association Board of Directors made up of annually-elected presidents of each of the neighborhood sub-associations. In 2005, the directors' names, phone numbers and e-mail addresses are:

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| President | David Neumann (Park Place), 884-7967, neulaw@earthlink.net |
| Vice President | Ned Glover (Straus Ridge), 884-5022, nrglo@citcom.net |
| Secretary | Glenn Cutler (Mountain Park), 862-5349, jil711@aol.com |
| Treasurer | Steve Hodge (Market Street), hshodge@aol.com |
| Directors | George Hord (Townhomes), 862-5635, gehord@citcom.net John Kerlin (Mountainside), 884-9811, jkerlin@citcom.net |

Master Association committees and their chairmen are:

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| Lake House | Tory Elliott and Bud Lawing |
| Social | Nancy Jarboe and John Graham |
| Communications | Sue Macoy and Rae Glover |
| Beautification | John Kerlin |
| Tennis | Howard Dyer |
| Long Range Fund | Bob Maxwell |
| By-Laws & Covenants | Steve Hodge |

Property owners are encouraged to contact their representative or appropriate committee chairman with concerns and/or suggestions and to attend meetings of the Master Association, which are scheduled for the third Thursday at 4:00 p.m. at the Lake House. The next meeting will take place on February 17.

If you want to be included on the agenda, please notify Scott McCall of IPM at 650-6857 two weeks in advance. Additional remarks may be addressed to the Board at the end of the meeting; but, in both cases, comments will be limited to three minutes in order to expedite the meeting.

Fun Food Nite

By popular demand, a mid-winter Fun Food Nite is planned for Wednesday, February 9th at 6:30 at the Lake House. The entrée will be chili, the cost is \$4.00 per person at the door, and reservations should be made with Chef Ned at 884-5022 by February 5th.

Wine Tasting

For wine aficionados, a Wine Tasting featuring Chilean wines will precede Fun Food Nite on February 9th at 5:30 p.m. No reservations necessary - just bring a bottle of Chilean wine. Bottles over \$12 will be disqualified from judging (but will be consumed).

Reserving the Lake House

To rent the Lake House for a private event, the new procedure is to contact Karen McCarthy (IPM Corporation) at 650-6861 or (karen@ipm-corp.com).

To reserve the Lake House for a meeting or activity for residents, contact Tory Elliott at 862-6768 or (tpelliott@citcom.net) or Bud Lawing at 883-8451 or (llawing@citcom.net).

Reminder

Straus Park By-Laws stipulate that owners' cars should be garaged. Vehicles should be parked in driveways only temporarily.

Help Wanted

Volunteers are needed to plan the year's Social Calendar and help with holiday events. If you would like to serve on the Social Committee, please call Nancy Jarboe at 862-8468 within the next week.

Meet the Dyers

Ask Howard and Dianne Dyer why they moved from Lake Toxaway to 1 Camptown Road and they'll surely list the Brevard Tennis and Athletic Club as a major attraction. Both are avid tennis players, and Howard is Straus Park's new Tennis Chairman.

Natives of Greenville, Mississippi, Howard and Dianne met in the second grade and grew up together. They were high school sweethearts and have been married for 43 years. He was a trial lawyer, she was associated with an interior design and antiques business. They have a daughter in Jackson, MS, sons in Nashville and Charlotte, and are the proud and doting grandparents of six grandchildren.

Ranked the #1 singles player in the state in his age group, Howard has played tennis in the Equitable Family Tennis Challenge at the U.S. Open with his daughter in 1983 and his son in 1988. The couple combines their devotion to tennis with their love of travel and has attended the French Open, Wimbledon, the Monte Carlo Open and the Swiss Open.

We welcome the Dyers and look forward to their enthusiastic participation in the life of Straus Park.

Calendar of Lake House Activities

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| Thursday, 2/3, 1:00 p.m. | Ladies Bridge |
| 7:00 p.m. | Men's Poker |
| Wednesday, 2/9, 5:30 p.m. | Wine Tasting |
| 6:30 p.m. | Fun Food Nite |
| Sunday, 2/13, 6:00 p.m. | Pot Luck |
| Thursday, 2/17, 1:00 p.m. | Ladies Bridge |
| 4:00 p.m. | Master Association |
| 7:00 p.m. | Men's Poker |
| Monday, 2/21, 1:00 p.m. | Book Club |
| Thursday, 2/24, 10:00 a.m. | ECC |
| Sunday, 2/27, 7:00 p.m. | Couples Bridge |