

Stones Throw Gems SPRING 2018

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Want to join? Contact a Chair!

A Note from the President... Welcoming Spring, I hope, and definitely welcoming Marilyn Coles as a new Board Member! Thank you Marilyn for stepping up and joining us. If you missed the events in recent weeks, you may not know that Joyce Reese resigned from the Board, and Helen Wills resigned as Treasurer. On behalf of the Board of Directors, and the Members of Stones Throw, Joyce & Helen, we thank each of you for all that you have done in, and for our Community.

Whenever there is change, it always seems to take some time for people to find their footing. That certainly will not be much different with this change either. To that end, I will ask the Community for their patience and understanding as the Board reorganizes and begins to get down to business.

Maybe Spring is a good time for change. Think about that for a few minutes and ask yourself if it is a good time to do something new for you. The Committees in Stones Throw are always welcoming new volunteers. There are new events and gatherings getting added to calendar. Consider signing up to attend, or to help, or both!

Lets make the most of this season! Step outside and enjoy our paths, pond, and beautiful plants in bloom. Say a big hello to the neighbor you meet on that journey. ~Melissa

Save the Dates:

Mon. May 14, 2018 Ladies Lunch (see below)

Sat. May 19, 2018 Meet & Greet (at the garage) 10 am—12pm

Sun. September 9, 2018 Annual Picnic

Sun. October 21, 2018, 2pm Annual Meeting (American Legion)

Sat. December 1, 2018 Holiday Lighting (tentative)

Sun. December 2, 2018 Holiday Gathering (tentative)

WOMEN'S MONTHLY LUNCHEON

Lunch Date: Monday, May 14, 2018

Time: 12:00 P.M.

Location: To be determined—Watch the Mailbox

Point of contact: Chris Rawlings, call 301-676-8529

or e-mail: mary.c.rawlings@gmail.com



*“When strangers start acting like neighbors...
Communities are REIVIGORATED.” -Ralph Nader*



Reminder Corner

Did you see or did you miss it? Back during the semi-thaw in February, who saw the huge flock of Canada geese having a swimming and skating party on the pond? The aerators opened enough free water to have a great splashy event and the skaters enjoyed the wide expanse of ice! Did you see or did you miss it? Almost daily there are herds of deer making their way through Stones Throw in search of food. With the hope of Spring coming soon, there are sure to be more dog walkers, animal babies all around, and perhaps even the opportunity to spot a bear or two. Slow down, check it out, and be sure to take it all in. Be mindful of the posted speed limits for the safety of so many of our pedestrians!

Thank you to all who removed the holiday decorations as requested. We are now ready and waiting to be able to think seriously about spring flowers and robins.

While we wait for some warm spring weather, it is a great time to review the STPOA Rules and Regulations. Grab the shortened version of the Covenants, which is very easy to read. Not an owner? Remember that these rules apply to tenants too.

LIGHTING COMMITTEE

The Lighting Committee has identified those street light poles that need to be replaced and poles that need to be added for better lighting within the community.



SPRING CLEANING CHECKLIST:

- ⇒ Inspect unit for overgrown or dead shrubbery
- ⇒ Consider replacing, if needed
(Boxwood, Rhododendron, Azalea, Andromeda, Holly, Brower's Beauty)
- ⇒ Check for exterior damage, or necessary repairs
- ⇒ Request the Application for Approval from Lou
- ⇒ Submit Application for Approval to Lou, or to the Board of Directors

Community Wide Yard Sale...Are you interested?

Excess stuff got you down? Would you be interested in a community wide yard sale in Stones Throw to help get rid of some of those items that you just don't use? Contact Chris Rawlings for more details & information about the possibility!

Chris Rawlings, 301-676-8529 or mary.c.rawlings@gmail.com

Visit www.STPOA.org

Volunteer Opportunity

The Grounds Committee is seeking a few volunteers to help with work within the Common Grounds of Stones Throw. Please let a Board Member know if you are interested.

Lasting Impressions Landscaping

With so much winter storm damage, the Spring clean-up is going to take a little longer than normal. There are a number of trees down, lots of branches, and even some trash. Your support and patience during the process is greatly appreciated!

Monthly STPOA Fees...Are you one of the people who love to set up your bills on autopay or bill pay through your banking software? This is a GREAT time to double check that you are making the correct payment to NEPA each month! The monthly fee should be \$165.

Are you current & paying the correct amount?



**If we had no winter,
the spring would not be so pleasant.**

-Anne Bradstreet