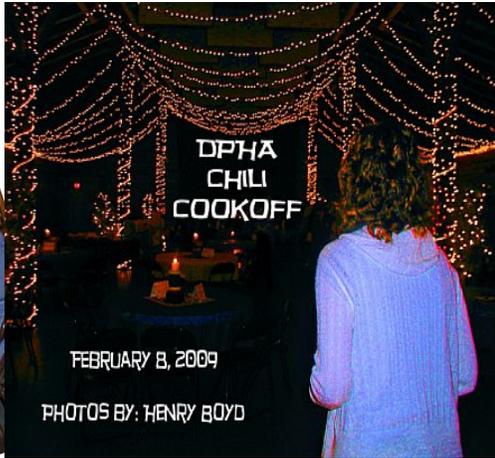


DAVIES PLANTATION HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION



2009 Chili Cookoff

On February 8, the traditional DPHA Chili Cookoff retained the old and added some new traditions under the guiding hand of chairman Krysha Scott.

Hillwood hosted many DPHA residents sampling a record 29 different varieties of chili!

This year the Chili Cookoff also served to honor some of those who provide service to our community by having them serve as judges in the competition. These honored judges were:

Robert Jackson - Sanitation Department
Solid Waste

Brian M. Lepine - Commander - United States
Navy

Keith Richardson - Athletic Manager, Parks &
Recreation



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Animal Control	385-6484
Cable (Comcast)	259-2225
Bartlett City Mayor	385-6400
Davies Manor Assoc.	386-0715
Garbage Collection	385-6486
General Emergency	911
Bartlett Police- non-emergency	385-5500
DPHA Neighbor Care Team	371-9909

**Are You Part of the
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Do you want to know what is going on in the neighborhood? Do you have a concern? Need information from DPHA? Do you want to know what events are planned?

If you answered yes to any of these (or even if you didn't), you need to add your name to the DPHA email list. You may join the group by visiting <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/DPHA/> and clicking on the link to join this group. You will need to set up a yahoo id and password, if you don't have one, but can still opt to have your mail sent to your regular email account.



Alternately you may email, Lisa Ross-meissl at daviespha@yahoo.com requesting that your email be added to the list and she'll get you signed up. It is that simple.

We have over 600 emails on the list now, but would love 100 percent participation. It is a great way to stay informed and also works as a wonderful neighborhood watch network.

Sign-up today!

Recurring Meetings

Book Club

Social gathering of avid readers meeting on the 4th Tuesday of every month at 7:00pm. Contact Carolyn Fore at 373-3155 or carolynrfore@mail.com or for further information (See below for reading list.)

Davies Play Group

If you have preschool children and would like them to participate in playtime and outings with other neighborhood children, please contact Krysha at jaydscott@bellsouth.net or 377-2378.

Retired Gentlemen's Club

Retired, (semi-retired or just off on Wednesday mornings) *Gentlemen's Club of Davies* meets the second Wednesday of each month at 9am at Hillwood, 3570 Davieshire. This is a social gathering for coffee, conversation, jokes or whatever comes up. We encourage any retired or semi-retired person to join us.

World War II Veterans

A group of WW II veterans meets on the second Wednesday of each month for coffee and daunts. This is a social event and open to any and all veterans with no dues or membership requirements. The group meets at Singleton Community Center, 7266 Third Road at 9:30. Veterans who live in Davies are invited to attend. For information call Henry at 388-3514.

Writer's Club

A new group to the DPHA area is the writers club. This is open to all neighbors who are interested in writing. No experience required. Contact Barbara Christensen at barbharps@aol.com or 371-9909.

Book Club Monthly Reads

April 28: Tara Road by Maeve Binchy. Barbara Williams' home at 9445 Atkinson Cove. 372-0230.

May 26: Gate House by Nelson DeMille. Billie Sue Wilson's home at 9421 Alex Dickson Cove. 385-9868.

June 23: A Girl Named Zippy: Growing Up Small In Moreland, Indiana by Haven Kimmel. Jenny Conroy's home at 3511 Davieshire Drive. 377-3517.

July 28: Too Fat to Fish by Artie Lange. Karyn Freidt's home at 3895 Blue Shore Cove in Lakeland. 937-2428.



Neighborhood Kids for Hire

Babysitters:

Rachael Bakowicz	386-1498
Alexandria Boston	827-2994
Meredith Brown	
Alison Buccini	382-0367
Tara Conti	373-7255
Kelsey Crews	386-1801
Angela Gray	377-3675
Natalie Jacewicz	371-9749
Kaitlin Jeter	385-0674. 517-0465
Stacey Oakes	373-9224
Stephanie McFall	377-6493
Jenny Pickren	388-1099
Angela Wilson	377-6120

Petsitters:

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Michael & Daniel Harty	384-6751
Natalie Jacewicz	371-9749
Stacey Oakes	373-9224
Jenny Pickren	388-1099
Kevin Upton	371-0370
Angela Wilson	377-6120

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Travis Bateman	386-5324
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Logan Longserre	386-6247
Andrew McKay	372-4367
Emery Scott	218-0167

Corrections? Deletions?

Additions?

Please email dpha.newsletter@gmail.com

If you are a dependent, living with your parents in Davies Plantation and still in school, you are one of our neighborhood "kids."

New Canada Road

By Paul Houghland, DPHA President

The New Canada Road Advisory Team continues to meet monthly to develop a plan for the new route. Design goals include

- Enhancing the quality of life in the area
- Reducing traffic congestion and increasing capacity in the North-South corridor
- Improving safety
- Producing a design which is recognized for technical excellence and environmental sensitivity
- Preserving existing natural environment and surroundings
- Providing access to existing neighborhoods
- Being economically feasible

On February 19, the first of three public meetings was held at the Lakeland City I. H. Managerial Park. The objective of the workshop was to provide an opportunity for the public to identify issue and concerns regarding Canada Road. Those comments will be used by the Advisory Team in developing alternative alignments. A second public meeting is scheduled for July 28, 2009.

The current time line calls for the Advisory team to submit a final recommendation by the first of October 2009. Following that, a design plan will be developed over the next 12 months or so. Additional information is available at www.newcanadaroad.com.



DPHA would like to welcome the following to our neighborhood. We look forward to getting to know them better at one of our neighborhood functions.

Edward and Sara Calhoun
3871 McElrie Cove

Harold and Judy English
9183 Bruton Parish Cove

Misty Farmer
503 Sally Lou Cove

William and Angela Hobbs
9045 Wolstenholme Cove

Malafu and Julie Tiatia
3741 Vanderschaaf

If you are new to the neighborhood or know someone who is, please contact John White at jwhite@crye-leike.com or 377-7786.



Neighbors Being Neighbors...When it Counts!

By Barbara Christensen, Chairman
Neighborly Care Group

The DPHA Neighborly Care group has been organized to support the caregivers in our neighborhood.

Monday, May 11 DPHA is providing an informational session to assist each of us in discussing wishes for care when you can no longer make your health decisions independently. The Five Wishes, a legal document, is unique among all other living will and health agent forms because it looks to all of a person's needs: medical, personal, emotional and spiritual. More information is available at <http://www.agingwithdignity.org/5wishes.html>. All family members are encouraged to attend. The only charge is \$1 for each document. To attend, please contact Barbara Christensen, 371-9909 or barbharps@aol.com.

Also, if you are interested in learning more about being a caregiver, consider attending the Kaleidoscope of Caring: Caregiver Conference. It will be April 21 at Hope Presbyterian Church. For more information call 565-0011.

Nominees for the 2009 – 2010 Officers and Board of Directors

The following residents have been nominated by the current Board to to serve as next year's DPHA Offices and Board of Directors. The elections will be conducted during the DPHA Annual Meeting June 11, 2009 which will be held at Hillwood.



There are some positions without nominees at the time this newsletter went to press. It is not necessary for you to live in an area to serve as that area's representative. In addition to positions on the Board, there are positions available on various committees.

Any DPHA member interested in becoming involved in our association should contact DPHA President Paul Houghland.

- Area 6 Chuck Ward
- Area 7
- Area 8 Judy King
- Area 9 Chuck Porter
- Area 10 Christine Crews
- Area 11 Paul Rector
- Area 12
- Area 13 Peter Kronberger
- Area 14 John White
- Area 15 Bruce Northrup
- Area 16 Krysha Scott

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- Area 2 Bill Busler
- Area 3
- Area 4 Dan Noyd
- Area 5 Frances Fabian

A FEW GOOD MEN AND WOMEN WANTED



Are you a frustrated writer? Would you be willing to help cover events of interest to others in our neighborhood. If so, please consider being part of the DPHA newsletter committee. We would like to add two recurring columns to

the newsletter in the future.

One would highlight activities at our community schools. Is there a school play or fund raiser coming up?

The other would be a culinary column.

If you have interest in writing either column, please email us at DPHA.newsletter@gmail.com.

Likewise, if you have any ideas of improving the newsletter, please email us at the address above.

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Deer-resistant Ornamental Plants

By: Tony Chapman of Absolute Lawn & Landscape

If you have been a Davies Plantation resident for any length of time you have probably noticed the deer issue. Specifically, the ever-present deer will eat almost anything that is a plant and of course part of your valuable landscape.

When I first started working in the Davies area I didn't realize the severity of the deer population and blindly planted a ton of hostas. I learned quickly, after they disappeared before my eyes, that deer love hostas. I needed a different strategy and I needed to do some research. I simply could not just plant everything in this area without worrying the deer might decide it was a new, free buffet. Since the deer do not seem to be leaving the area any time soon, and neither do the humans, an acceptable balance with nature needs to be found.

How, then, to keep the deer from damaging your investment? I have found four options for deer-proofing your landscape, other than population reduction:



Fence the deer out - An eight foot fence is not very pleasing to the eye.

Frighten the deer - Motion devices, coyote urine, and dog presence will work, however, motion devices tend to work in the short term only and coyote urine must be repeatedly reapplied. Also a dog must have run of your entire property to be effective and unfortunately this is not practical for everyone.

Make landscape unpleasant with deer repellents - Unfortunately repellents tend to not weather well and will need to be reapplied.

Use deer-resistant plants - Other than a fence and population reduction, this is the only permanent option. As a landscaper I, of course, tend to lean towards the deer-resistant plant option for obvious reasons.

Deer tend to be selective feeders under normal conditions. A large deer population, however, can create competition for food, causing deer to eat many plants they normally would avoid. This certainly is the case in the Davies Plantation area and why the deer are roaming in your gardens. While a deer-proof fence is the best insurance against deer damage, utilizing deer-resistant plants certainly will be more aesthetically pleasing.

Planting ornamental plants that deer do not like is a solution to deer browsing.

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upon request.

The following is a list of plants I would recommend planting and a list I would avoid. Keep in mind, there is not a silver bullet. Deer have been known to eat almost anything when populations are high and their food supply is limited. While this list is not comprehensive, it may provide you with some ideas. If in doubt, ask your local nurseries before installing. I personally recommend Dianne Meucci's GardensOyVey (www.gardensoyvey.com) in Arlington. She specializes in native varieties and has been designing in the Memphis area for over twenty years. When I have a question I usually head to her place or The Stockyard, also in Arlington. With proper planning we might not eliminate all of the damage, but we certainly will be on the path to some semblance of harmony with our Davies environment.

Plants Deer Love to Eat

Avoid planting these unless you protect them)

- | | |
|-----------|-----------------|
| (Aucuba | Indian Hawthorn |
| Daylilies | Pansies |
| Hibiscus | Roses |
| Hosta | Tulips |
| Hydrangea | Violas |

Plants known to have a high degree of deer tolerance

Trees:

- | | |
|---------------|-------------------|
| Cherry Laurel | Windmill Palms |
| Crape Myrtle | Pines |
| Cypress | Red Maple |
| Ginkgo | River Birch |
| Most Hollies | Southern Magnolia |

Shrubs:

- | | |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| Anise Family | Most Hollies |
| Barberry | Juniper |
| Bottlebrush Buckeye | Mahonia |
| Boxwood | Oleander |
| Butterfly Bush | Ornamental grasses |
| Forsythia | Yews |
| Gardenia | Spirea |
| Nandina | Viburnum |

Perennials/Bulbs:

- | | |
|-----------------|-------------------------|
| Beebalm | Lenten Rose (Hellebore) |
| Autumn Ferns | Dianthus |
| Gerbera Daisy | Rosemary |
| Iris | Shasta daisy |
| Lantana | |
| Annuals: | |
| Coreopsis | Verbena |
| Marigold | Wax Begonia |
| Zinnia | |



Cherry Laurel



Shasta Daisy



Iris



Red Maple



Bottlebrush Buckeye



Wax Begonia

For more information on deer control, visit www.twraregion4.org/TWRAHunting/TWRAHuntingPublications.htm

TRAVEL CORNER: Motion/Travel Sickness

By Barbara Kinney Renfrow, Leisure Travel Consultant

"The world is a book and those who do not travel read only one page." - St. Augustine

Six years ago, as an undergraduate at the University of Memphis, I felt a "much-needed" vacation somewhere in the United States was important. The "big catch" to this is..... I have always had motion/travel sickness.

What is travel sickness? Travel sickness is described as a disturbance of the inner ear that is caused by repeated motions such as from the swell of the sea, the motion of an automobile, and flying in a plane with turbulent air pockets.

Causes of travel sickness: The causes are really unexplainable. In theory, one might say it is because of the delicate balance system in the inner ear. It appears that visual input is less important. Therefore, travel sickness has to do more with intricate movements..... importantly, movement that is slow, or is associated with two different directions (vertical movement and horizontal movement at the same time)

How does travel sickness affect our sense of balance? In short, it is when the central nervous system receives conflicting messages from the inner ear, eyes, skin pressure receptors, and the muscle and joint sensory receptors.

What about the nausea and vomiting? A personal sidelight: In another life, I was executive secretary to the president of an international company where I was responsible for all of the domestic and international travel for management. I worked closely with a local

travel agency, and received free trips to different destinations. In one particular flight, I tried wearing the motion sickness patch. The patch made me crazy, dizzy, and disoriented. In most cases, the nausea and vomiting usually stop when the motion that is at the root of the cause stops.

Nigel West, travel writer, talks about how "ginger root can be effective against motion sickness. West tells us ginger capsules are available or you can try a dose of about 1/2 teaspoon of dry powdered ginger, which is equivalent to approximately 1/3 ounce of fresh ginger root, which is roughly a 1/4 inch slice."

Those of us that have motion/travel sickness should at least try some ginger.

Medications:

There are prescrip-

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FROM THE MANOR HOUSE...



The museum at Davies Manor will open for the season on April 1. We do tours on Tuesday through Saturday from noon until 4pm with the last tour starting at 3:30. We plan to kick off our season with an Irish Tea Celebration on Friday April 3 at 1:00 pm. Call 386-0715 for more details.

If you enjoy meeting visitors from around the US, in fact the world, we would love to have you join our staff of dedicated volunteer docents. Please call Betty at the number below if you can

join us. Our hours can be worked into most anyone's schedule. You can bring along a friend, a book, or a handwork project to occupy the time when no visitors are present. When guests arrive, greet them, flip on the video, escort them through the house and give them a taste of Tennessee County living. Call Betty at 386-0715 to discuss scheduling. We have a tour script/guideline for you to study and a book of information for you to find answers to questions that come up. We can arrange a regular schedule for you, or you are welcome to work only occasionally as time permits.

If guiding tours is not your thing, there are lots of other volunteer opportunities here. The April dates for garden volunteers will be Thursday the 2nd, Wednesday the 8th, and Wednesday the 29th. Meet in front of Hillwood at 8:30 am. Judy Mills is the coordinator for garden volunteers and will coordinate the activities each day.

Thank you so much for those few of you who have worked so hard the month of March to get us looking neat and tidy for our April opening.

Nancy McDonough,
Executive Director
901-386-0715

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tion drugs and over-the-counter meds to help travelers with travel sickness. Check with your local pharmacist and internist for additional sources.

Trial and error: This is what works for me: Bonine (over-the-counter) as prescribed on the package..... but I take a smaller dose before departure, and on the return trip. "Sea-Band" wrist bands and worn as directed (at your local drug store). "The FDA-approved ReliefBand (\$99.95; www.reliefband.com) is a battery-operated, watch-like device that stimulates the underside of your upper wrist."

Prevention Tips: When in a car, be the driver or sit in the front seat, in an airplane – sit in a seat over a wing, on a ship – have your cabin in the middle of the ship (preferably on the deck). On a bus, sit right behind the driver or on the opposite side on the bus on the front seat. If I drive, or sit in the front passenger seat, I am ok while traveling in a car.

It does pay to watch what you eat and drink twenty-four hours before you leave on your trip.

Barbara can be reached at 901-382-3534 or at barbrenfrow@yahoo.com for any short travel queries.

From one of our talented neighborhood writers as an ode to Hillwood:

In This Room

Jet black wrought-iron decorates the door,
While low-pile carpet covers the floor.
In this room, a rectangular space,
Many pass through a communal place.
Florescent lights on the ceiling glow,
While the seeds of thought begin to grow.
The walls are painted in mauve and cream.
Not really a current color scheme!
The choice of wall art seems oddly matched,
But here in this room, ideas have hatched.
Gathered around a table of white
We're joined in words that have taken flight!

—Sadonna Schwab



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Matthew McArthur - City of Bartlett Police Officer

Bobby Simmons - City of Bartlett Alderman

The Stellar Cellar provided a selection of wines chosen to compliment chili for those who preferred wine over of the cold beer and soda provided by DPHA.

Crackers, cheese, sour cream and other chili essentials were provided by DPHA and many excellent desserts were brought by neighborhood residents.

Judging was tough; and there were a few upsets from past winners. This year's trophies in the Chili Cookoff were awarded to:

Original - Capital Punishment by Cecil W Rutledge

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CAPITAL PUNISHMENT CHILI
By Cecil W. Rutledge

- 1 1 tbsp oregano
- 2 2 tbsp paprika
- 3 9 tbsp chili powder
- 4 4 tbsp cumin
- 5 4 tbsp beef bouillon
- 6 24 oz Colt 45
- 7 2 cups water
- 8 1/2 cup canola oil
- 9 2 lbs extra lean chuck (chili ground)
- 10 2 lbs extra lean chuck (chili ground)
- 11 2 lbs extra lean pork (chili ground)
- 12 1 lbs lean chuck (cut in 1/4" cubes)
- 13 2 large onions (finely chopped)
- 14 4 jalapeno peppers
- 15 10 cloves garlic (finely chopped)
- 16 1 tbsp brown sugar
- 17 1 teasp coriander
- 18 1 teasp Tabasco
- 19 1 10 oz can Rotel w/green chilies
- 20 2 tbsp flour
- 21 1 juice of lime
- 22 Salt to taste



Preparation

In a crock pot add items 1 thru 7 and simmer. In a large skillet, brown each item 9 thru 12 and add to crockpot as each is finished. In the same skillet saute together items 13,14, and 15. Add this to crock pot. Simmer for two hours. Add items 16,17,18 and 19. Simmer 45 minutes. Mix flour with 1/2 cup of warm water and add to crock pot. Add lime juice. Simmer 30 minutes. Ready to Serve!

CON CERVESA
By Jan Lawler

Yield: 13 cups

Ingredients

- 2 pounds ground beef
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 3 to 4 garlic cloves, minced
- 2 (15-ounce) cans pinto beans, rinsed and drained
- 1 (15-ounce) can of black beans, rinsed and drained
- 3 (8-ounce) cans tomato sauce
- 1 (12-ounce) bottle dark beer
- 1 (14 1/2-ounce) can beef broth
- 1 (6-ounce) can tomato paste
- 1 (4.5-ounce) can chopped green chiles
- 2 tablespoons chili powder
- 1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
- 2 teaspoons ground cumin
- 1 to 2 teaspoons ground red pepper
- 1 teaspoon paprika
- 1 teaspoon hot sauce



Preparation

Cook first 3 ingredients in a Dutch oven over medium heat, stirring until meat crumbles and is no longer pink. Drain well.

Combine meat mixture, beans, and next 11 ingredients in Dutch oven; bring to a boil. Reduce heat, and simmer 3 hours or until thickened. Garnish, if desired.

Peter Cottontail Alert! DPHA Easter Egg Hunt



Peter Cottontail has been sited at Hillwood preparing and hiding Eggs for the annual DPHA Easter Egg Hunt. Peter will have everything ready by Sunday, April 5 at 2:00 p.m. The easter egg hunt is a highlight for youngsters of all ages. This is a mem-

ory-making occasion for your children and grandchildren.

The grounds of Hillwood will sprout brightly colored eggs filled with candy and prizes. There will be gaily decorated Easter bonnets, festive dresses, bow ties and squeals of delight from all ages at this traditional family event. Fun to be part of, fun to watch the excitement of little ones.

There will be prizes for :

- Most Creatively Decorated Easter Basket
- Best Decorated Easter Egg
- Most Gorgeous Easter Bonnet

Also, prizes will be awarded in each age category for :

- Most Eggs Gathered
- Finder of the Golden Egg

The age categories are:

- 3 years and under
- 4 - 6 years
- 7 -9 years

Volunteers are needed to plan and help at the Easter Egg Hunt. Please contact Christine Crews to volunteer at fitmom1@comcast.net or 386 - 1801.

Easier Living

By Judy King, MSSW
Tupperware Sales Consultant

This new endeavor is a recurring column devoted to helpful household hints to make your daily life easier. I hope you will e-mail me at jpkdoxey@yahoo.com with any ideas and interests that I can address in the future.

As we are all trying to cut expenses these days, one way is to cook more at home and to make that easier; you can chop up extra peppers, onions, vegetables etc. to store in the refrigerator or freezer. Be sure to premeasure the amounts into 1/2 or 1/4 cup servings and label the zip lock bag or freezer container to make dinner preparation easier for the next meal.

A helpful hint in meat preparation is to refrain from salting the meat until you are ready to serve it. Salting meat earlier will tend to make it too dry.

Another tip is when serving canned vegetables; rinse them with cold water in a colander before using them in a recipe or serving them. Not only does this remove much of the salt used for preserving the food, the cold water also refreshes and rehydrates the food improving its taste and texture. Tupperware makes several colanders which are helpful if you can't find one you like elsewhere.

Do you have some helpful hints that make your life around your home easier? Please e-mail me with your own helpful hints so that we may share them with our neighbors. Or, if you would like suggestions on how best to do something in your home, this is the place to ask.

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