

English Hills News

September 2012



Newcomers Welcome Picnic: Sat., Sept. 22, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

MC Gaylord

Our summer picnic in July was a huge success. Twenty-seven English Hills neighbors came together at the cul-de-sac on Foxfire Lane, and shared hamburgers, side dishes, watermelon, and conversation. Our newest neighbors from Kent Lane came, and we all got to know Bruce, Lesley, and Claire Darrah for the first time.

The Newcomers Welcome Picnic will be on Sept. 22, 5:30-7:30 p.m., at the cul-de-sac on

Oakshire Lane. Bring a chair and a side dish (chips and dip, vegetable dish, fruit, etc.) and EHHA will be providing the drinks, condiments, paper products, hamburgers, and rolls. If you want to bring

something else for the grill, please do!

The latest **Directory of English Hills Residents** will be available at the picnic. Please stop by and pick yours up.

A heads-up on our next neighborhood social event: On Jan. 19, 2013, 6:00 p.m. Art and Susan Mack are inviting us to their house on Dover Lane for our EHHA Winter Social. Thank you to Horst and Elly Vollmer who have graciously offered their home for three EHHA Winter Socials! More information will be provided in the next issue of the English Hills News, but keep Jan. 19 in mind.



The Responsibilities of the EHHA Board

Bill Geiger

In the last newsletter, the EHHA Board addressed community speeding again, but we found that the cure could be much worse than the problem. We went overboard in explaining proposed homeowners' actions to make sure that each home owner was fully aware of this problem. However, we don't encourage standing in the middle of the road, or some such action, to slow down speeders. The Board has good intentions, but our authority is limited, as it should be. The EHHA By-Laws, initially approved in 1976, detail the purposes for which the association was organized.

According to Article II, they are as follows:

- a) To maintain and administer the program set forth in the English Hill Covenants and aid in protecting the Covenant from adverse conditions.
- b) To encourage a higher regard for the English Hills Subdivision.
- c) To keep members informed of any activities of zoning, planning, development, or legislation affecting English Hills.
- d) To encourage and effect social events.

The Board has been pressed into a legalistic role in the past two years, and clearly this is not the role that the Board should be taking. We are going to increase our efforts to encourage social events, which are necessary in bringing residents together.

In Memory of Virginia Hamilton



Art Mack

On Sunday, Aug. 26, 2012, the English Hills Community lost one of its long-time members. Virginia Hamilton, who resided at 5 Whitehall Street, passed away after a short stay at Pardee Hospital. Virginia was born eighty-six years ago in Ohio. She lived on Long Island, New York, before moving here with her husband in 1985. Her Husband William died in 1993.

Virginia loved the Hendersonville Area in general and English Hills in particular. She could often be seen

working in her yard and would extend a friendly greeting to those who passed by.

She leaves two children, daughter Gail and son Doug. Some of you have already met Doug, who has been leasing and living at 101 London Road, the first house on the right as you enter English Hills. Doug says he plans to move into his mother's home shortly.

We shall miss Virginia, and we extend our sympathy to her family for their loss. Doug wishes to thank people for their support.

What's Cooking? Chocolate Chip Apple Cake!



Debbie Mentch

I thought since it's apple season, this Chocolate Chip Apple Cake seems perfect:

Ingredients:

- 1 cup butter, softened
- 1 1/2 cups white sugar
- 3 eggs
- 1/2 cup water
- 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- 2 1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 1/2 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg (or allspice)
- 3 cups apples - peeled, cored and finely diced
- 1 cup semisweet chocolate chips
- 1/2 cup chopped nuts (optional)

Directions:

1. Preheat the oven to 325 degrees F (165 degrees C). Grease and flour one 9 or 10 inch tube pan.

2. In a large bowl, cream the butter or margarine with the sugar. Beat in the eggs, then add the water and the vanilla.

3. Stir the flour, cocoa, baking soda, ground cinnamon, and ground nutmeg together. Beat this mixture into the creamed mixture. Stir in the chopped apples, semisweet chocolate chips, and nuts. Pour the batter into the prepared pan.

4. Bake at 325 degrees F (165 degrees C) for 1 hour, or until the cake tests done when a toothpick is inserted near the center. Transfer to a rack to cool. Makes about 16 servings.

Do you have a recipe that you would like to share in the next newsletter? E-mail it to Debbie at mentchfamily@hotmail.com.



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It's important that we strengthen the communications within our community. This corrective action will help us to identify and deal with problems, if corrective actions are within our authority. The Board has no intention of becoming the English Hills police.

English Hills is a great place to live. As homeowners, we need to work together to continue the high standards that we have set for our community.

English Hills Communication Network



Karen Geiger

The project to build the English Hills Communication Network continues. Slowly but surely, we're building a community e-mail list, so that we can quickly share information that is essential for the safety and well-being of all of us.

If you provide your email address, it will not be shared with the public or added to the Directory. And we don't intend to swamp your in-box with continuous messages.

To become a part of the English Hills Communications Network and join our English Hills E-mail List, please send your e-mail address to English Hills News Editor Karen Geiger via e-mail to Karen@shadyvale.com.

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