

## MERIDIAN HILLS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

July 2018

**DUES NOTICE: \$25 due by August 31st** 

It is time for dues again! The dues year runs August 1st through July 31st. The small \$25.00 per household fee is essential for maintaining the common areas, lighting the entranceways, paying for insurance (for the common areas), newsletters, and neighborhood directories and for advertising our neighborhood garage sale, among other expenses. The dues can only be kept low if *everyone* pays their fair share.

Please join in with your neighbors, make your check payable to the Meridian Hills Homeowners Association and return it in the enclosed envelope to Amanda Mell at 284 Andes Drive by August 31st. Checks can be mailed or dropped off at this address. There will be a green box left on a patio table by the front door to place checks in and it will be emptied on a regular basis.

Make sure your name and address are enclosed, unless they are printed on your check, so we can track who has paid. In addition, please send us your email address so that we can add you to the neighborhood alert/information system. Alternatively, just send us an email at <a href="Meridianhillshomeowners@gmail.com">Meridianhillshomeowners@gmail.com</a>. E-mail addresses will not be shared with others, or printed in the directory.

<u>Annual Meeting:</u> The Annual Meeting will be held at the Glen Carbon public library on Sunday, August 19, 2018 at 3:00 pm. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

## Association Officers for 2018-2019:

President: Cindy Cobetto, 285 Andes Dr., 288-6729, cgorsage@yahoo.com

Vice-President: Susan Mendelsohn, 302 Sierra Ct., 288-5863, mendelsohn323@gmail.com

**Secretary**: Laura Dietzen, 203 Sierra Pt., 971-8828, <u>lauradietzen@sbcglobal.net</u> **Treasurer**: Amanda Mell, 284 Andes Dr., 977-1845, <u>ajmellcpa@gmail.com</u>

Communications Coordinator: Justin Grave, 9 Sierra Dr., 255-0990, Justin.grave@gmail.com

## **Covenants that Apply to Everyone:**

- No animals except for dogs, cats, and other small household pets. Only 2 pets per household and there is a Village leash law.
- No habitual parking on the street (daytime or overnight). No campers, trailers of any kind, boats, or motor homes parked overnight.
- No fences in front yard or within 25 feet of any side street
- No signs posted at the entrance to the subdivision—except one-day events (e.g., garage sales, open houses, etc.)
- All lots are residential. No sheds allowed.

**As a matter of courtesy,** clean up after your dog. If your dog "does business" in another person's yard please remove it and dispose of it in your own trash can. Do not use a neighbor's trashcan or throw waste down the storm drains.

<u>Complaints</u> If you have problems with a neighbor, please try to work it out with them in a "neighborly way". If you are not able to find a resolution you can contact either the Glen Carbon Police Department (non-emergency number: 288-

7226) or a member of the Complaint Committee – Ralph Mendelsohn (288-5863, North neighborhood) or Michael Mudd (288-6172, South neighborhood).

<u>Garage Sale</u> Our next annual garage sale will be in the spring, the weekend before the large item trash pickup. The date will be announced by email and the subdivision Facebook page.

<u>Facebook Page</u> The neighborhood has a Facebook page. Please visit https://www.facebook.com/meridianhillsnow/ to view and share posts with your neighbors.

<u>New Neighbors</u> If a new neighbor moves in, contact Cindy Cobetto and she will forward their information on to a member of the Welcoming Committee.

A big thank you to our neighbors **Kip and Cindy Goff** for keeping our entranceways cleaned up and looking great, to **Gary Haselhorst** for maintaining the entrance lights and to **Dick Mitchell** for maintaining the subdivision web site and his work on the directory.

## DO YOU CARE?

- Do you care about the quality of life of your neighborhood?
- Do you care what your subdivision looks like?
- Do you care about maintaining the value of your home?

The Meridian Hills Homeowners Association exists to ensure the quality of life in Meridian Hills, maintain an attractive and livable environment and to maintain and increase the property values of Meridian Hills North and South. For the last five years or so a small group of our neighbors have done a great deal to achieve these goals. However, we could do so much more with more participation in the subdivision. If you would be willing to contribute just a few hours (yes, really just a few hours) a month or even every other month it would be greatly appreciated by all of our neighbors. Some of the activities will occur only once or twice a year. We could use additional folks to help us staff the following committees:

Welcoming Committee: Meet and greet new neighbors and introduce them to Meridian Hills.

**Event Committee:** Help plan subdivision social activities.

Caring Neighbors Committee: Assist neighbors who might be temporarily incapacitated with meals or yard work.

Distribution Committee: Assist in delivering newsletters or flyers to your neighborhood.

If you can help us out in any of the above areas, please indicate that on the information sheet you will be returning with your dues payment. Really, just a few hours now and then can make a big difference!