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# MAPLE HILLS MESSENGER

The Newsletter for the residents of the Maple Hills Community - Fall/Winter 2020

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The Maple Hills Maintenance Company board members have selected Katie Johnson to serve as our new Board President.

## President's Letter

This year has been so challenging for us all, in many different ways. As we move through the end of 2020, I have been reflecting on all of the reasons I love living in Maple Hills. Throughout the year I have seen offers to help each other. Everything from getting groceries to gifting all manner of household goods has happened here. It's the embodiment of the proverbial cup of sugar adage. Let's continue to do the kind deeds and watch out for each other!

President Katie Johnson

## Election of Board Members

The Maple Hills Maintenance Company board members Greg Evans, Katie Johnson, Matt Nepsa, Rebecca Schwenk, and John Skroch were all up for re-election at the 2020 Annual Meeting. All these current board members submitted their names for re-election, as well as community member Nicole Dudley.

All of the board members were re-elected to new 2 year terms on the board.

Board member Jason Ament tendered his resignation at the board meeting on November 11, 2020. The board is grateful for Jason's years of service on the board. He has done amazing things for our community, including revamping our website to make it modern, usable, and transparent. Luckily he will still be involved with the board as he will continue to support the site and work on other community projects for the neighborhood.

Jason's resignation left a vacancy on the board. The board chose to appoint Nicole Dudley to fill the vacancy caused by Jason's resignation. The board would like to welcome Nicole to her new position! We are looking forward to working with her as our newest board member.

The board selected new positions at the board meeting on November 11. The new positions are:

President: Katie Johnson, Vice-President: Kelly Walshe, Treasurer: Greg Evans, Secretary: Dana Sox, Park Trustee: Matt Nepsa, Pool Trustee: John Skroch, Communications Trustee: Rebecca Schwenk, Events Trustee: Nicole Dudley, Trustee at Large: Amanda Williams.

## Park Report

The Board's National Night Out grant request that was approved for 2020 was to be forwarded for automatic approval for 2021. However we were notified that we would have to reapply for the grant for 2021. Park Trustee Matt Nepsa is working on this and hopefully next year we can continue with our annual National Night Out celebration. Around January to February next year we will find out the results of our application and if we were awarded a grant.

The county donated over 2500 masks to our neighborhood, and they have been distributed. Many of them were given out at the pool over the summer. A bunch of them were given to the neighborhood Girl Scout Troop who has decorated them will be distributing them to the community.

We have let the county know that we would like to have more masks to distribute to residents and our community.

## Food Trucks!

The Board would like to thank Karen Quinn for all her hard work arranging for food trucks to visit and deliver goodness to our neighborhood! It has been such a treat to have so many different yummy options! Thank you!

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## Pool Report

Susie Smith, our Pool Manager, has resigned her position effective after the 2020 pool season. The board and the whole Maple Hills community are grateful for her years of service. She did a wonderful job for us and really helped bring the community together. She will be missed at the pool, but we look forward to seeing her around the neighborhood.

The Board has appointed board member Amanda Williams to be the interim, volunteer pool manager until the position is filled. She is working with Susie to learn the duties and transfer the responsibilities.

The board is working to hire a permanent pool manager. Interviewing for the position will start in February, and the position is projected to be filled in March.

Around 40 families used the pool over the summer, some using the maximum amount of pool time that they could. The Board is getting the gas pipes done soon so we can run both pool heaters. We have completed the permit process.

We are trying to figure out a way to hold the annual Polar Bear Swim. The limit on the number of people in the pool enclosure is 25 people, which is about how many we usually have. We may not be able to hold this event due to the COVID restrictions being extended into January.

Stay tuned to the website for any updates on this event.

## Fire House Events

The Board is discussing ideas about future uses of the Fire House, once it is safe to hold events and use the facility. Matt Nepsa is taking the lead on formulating an operating plan for the building. We will be discussing this at upcoming board meetings.

The Board had hoped to do a test run of the Fire House by partnering with the Maple Hills Elementary PTA to hold their Book Fair there. The PTA presented the board with a highly detailed safe operating plan to alleviate risks due to COVID.

However, due to the recent rise in COVID cases, the PTA decided to withdraw its request to use the Fire House for the Book Fair. The Board agreed that this was the right decision.

## That Time of Year

The holidays are upon us, and they may be different this year for many. We hope all our neighbors are safe and healthy and we wish them a happy holiday season.

### Santa Claus came to town!

Santa's traditional Reindeer Fire Engine that visits our neighborhood every December was not able to make the rounds this year, but Santa still made sure to visit!

Santa visited on Tuesday, December 22nd starting at 6pm. Santa even called out names of some of the children on his Nice List this year during his visit. Thanks Santa!



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