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# ESCAPE NEWS

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## Manager's Message

Another summer has passed us by. We had many nice events this summer. The 4th of July Golf Cart Parade and picnic was very well attended and a lot of fun. I would like to thank all the volunteers that helped make recreation a success. A special thanks to the Dirado's; they have hosted Breakfast with Joe monthly. Chris Dirado has made some delicious dinners, the last one was pulled pork tacos. The next event is a Halloween Golf Cart Parade on October 7th at 3pm followed by a spaghetti dinner at 5pm. Also on October 14th, there will be another Dinner with Chris (menu to be announced.)

Upon the post office's request there will be more mailboxes added by Cinder Court. There is not enough. We have had quite a few new families move in. Welcome to the neighborhood!

Please remember boats need to be removed from the docks by October 15, 2017. At the last dock meeting it was stated that all fees for the docks and jet skis will remain the same. If you have any repairs to report please call the office, stop in or email me at [escapemanager@ptd.net](mailto:escapemanager@ptd.net).

Election ballots were recently mailed out. There are seven (7) candidates for five (5) seats. The deadline for the ballots to be received is October 21, 2017. The envelopes are enclosed with your ballot. Also, we are in budget talks. As soon as it is finalized it will be mailed to the membership for a vote.

The first week of October, Granite T and part of Oak will be getting paved. I do want to thank Bill Donnelly and John Boyer for doing the sides of the roads. They look great. Maintenance is doing pot holes; if you have any to report please call the office.

Back in January the membership was sent a notice stating all homes must be equipped with a check valve/pressure reducing valve by June 1, 2017. Homeowners must show proof of installation to the EPOA office. If the proof is not given to the office the homeowner will be fined \$500.00. If the fine is not paid by October 15, 2017, water will be shut off to the home. Please make sure you send the proof to the office by October 15, 2017. Many residents have provided pictures and receipts. A few warnings were sent out to residents that did not have them done yet. When you are ready to close up your home for winter please let the office know so we can schedule to have your water shut off.

If you are having an issue paying your maintenance fees call Ingrid at the office. She can assist you with a payment plan. After two months of non-payment we are sending the water termination via certified mail. With that, you have more charges added to your account.

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## YOUR 2017 BOARD of DIRECTORS

Moran Balanovich - President  
Patty Crispino - Vice President  
Joanne DiBlasi - Secretary  
Jeff Lipnichan - Treasurer  
Steve De Esch  
Bill Donnelly  
Kevin Keller  
Scott Powell

***The WINNER of the first  
ever Dues Raffle was  
Helen Peterson!  
Congratulations!  
We hope you will all buy a  
raffle ticket for next year.  
Tickets will be  
on sale soon!***

Manager's Message Con't:

In December we will be sending out dues payment coupons for 2018.

In October we will be selling tickets for the dues raffle again. This was very successful last year. There are trees being cut down by the Marina and the wood is being left there for any resident who would like to go get it.

Many residents have been in about speeders. Our new security is doing a good job with speeding. There have been many citations given. A lot of citations have been guests of residents. Please remember to inform your guests that the speed limit is 15mph. Most have been double the limit which is a \$100.00 fine.

If you have any problems, suggestions, or concerns please let me know.

Thank you

Ann Marie Miller  
Property Manager

***DON'T FORGET TO VOTE FOR THE BOARD!  
BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 10/21/2017  
SEE ATTACHED LETTERS FROM CANDIDATES.***

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PLEASE!



\* Have you moved?

\*\* Did you remember to update your records in the Escape?

\*\*\* If not, please let us know your new address and phone numbers.

We wouldn't want to forget you!

Please let us know in writing, either by mail (P.O. Box 282, Greentown, PA 18426)

or

email ([escapemanager@ptd.net](mailto:escapemanager@ptd.net))

**Upcoming 2017 Board Meeting Dates:**

Board Meetings are held at the Marina Building @ 10am on the following Saturdays, unless noted otherwise.

Meetings are canceled unless 15 or more residents are in attendance.

October 21

November 18

December 16

**Office Info:**

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Hours: Sunday & Wednesday Closed

Monday 8:30am-4:30pm

Tuesday 8:30am-4:30pm

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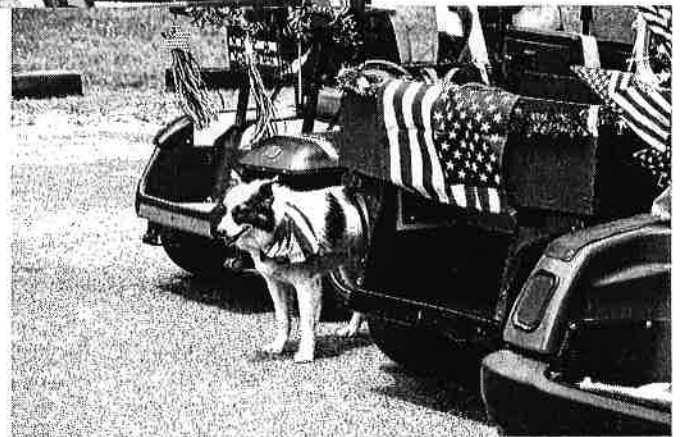
Friday 8:30am-4:30pm

Saturday 9:00am-3:00pm

# Recreation

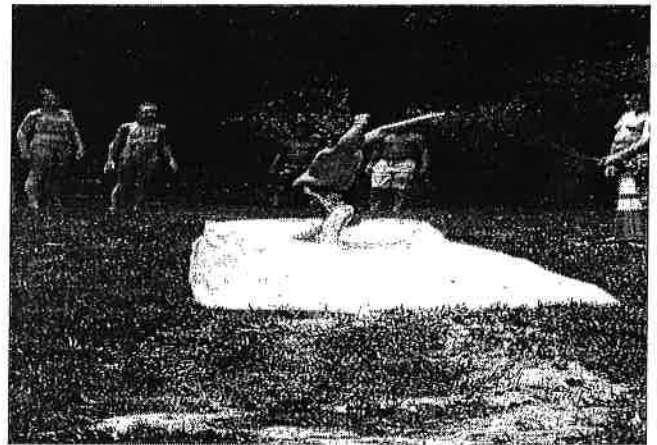
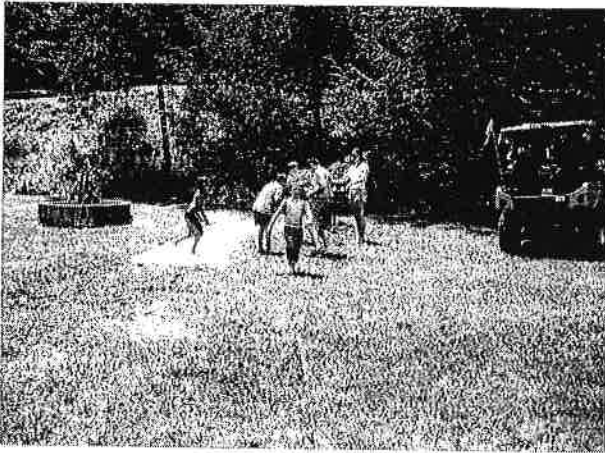
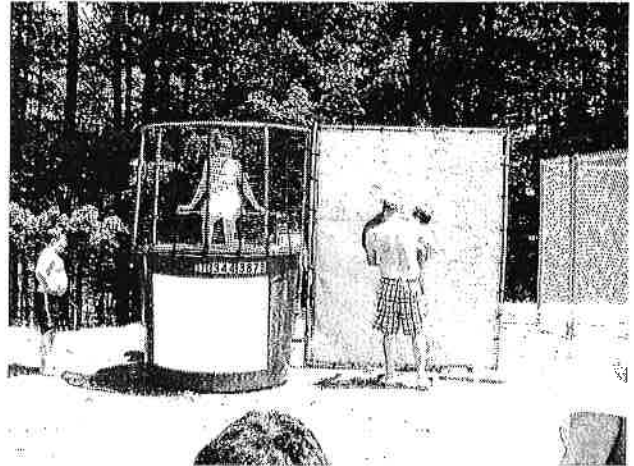
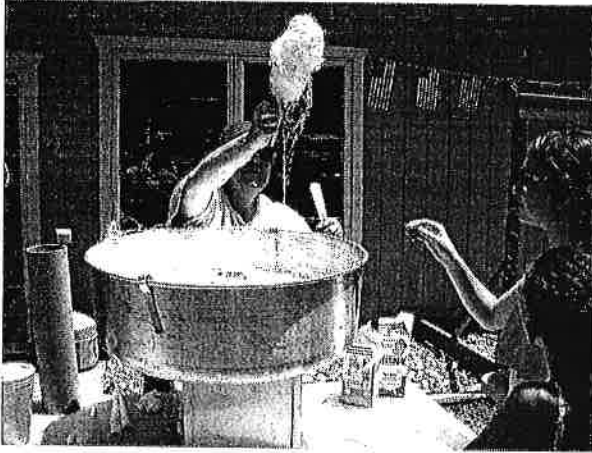
*Please look for flyers in the Community Bulletin Boards and on the website, [theescapepoa.com](http://theescapepoa.com) and on Facebook.*

*Some of the Summer of '17 Events*



*Some pics of the Annual Golf Cart Parade. Even our 4 legged friends joined in!*

# 4th of July Celebration



Additional pictures can be seen on our website at [www.thescapepoa.com](http://www.thescapepoa.com) and on our Facebook page.

Bill Donnelly:

My name is Bill Donnelly, I have lived in the Escape for 23 years. I currently serve on the board. I am on the Physical Plant and Roads committee and Community Watch. I want to see the Escape keep moving forward. I like the changes that have been made through the years and I am looking forward to more.

Thank you,

Bill Donnelly

Bruce Gneuchs:

I have been a full-time resident of the Escape since 1980. In that time there have been many changes, most for the betterment of the community.

There is still much to be done, and I would like to be a part of that with your vote.

For most of my working career I have been in service-oriented jobs. Serving others is exactly what every member of our board should make priority one.

Help me to continue to improve the community with your vote.

Sincerely

Bruce Gneuchs

(GNEUCHS)

## Kevin Keller:

September 2, 2017

Applicant:

Kevin Keller

Thank you for your consideration for re-election to the Escape Property Owner's Association Board.

As noted in my original application, our family was fortunate to buy our home in the Escape in December, 2011. Anne and I were born and raised in Indiana and have been happily married for 32 years. We have two sons Bryan (26) and Kyle (28). Kyle served two tours (Iraq and Afghanistan) during his four years in the Marines and recently graduated from U of Scranton. Bryan works for First Solar and graduated from Temple University. We purchased our home in the Escape sort of as a legacy tribute to my parents who had a home on a lake in central Indiana but mainly so we could share the benefits of the great outdoors with family and friends – so helping to assure an enjoyable living experience for our community is very important to us. Also, as a basic tenet of the Johnson & Johnson Credo – It is important that we give back to the communities in which we live and work. My participation on the Board and interaction with both our Board and members of our community, has only reinforced my desire to remain a part of community leadership that is working with our homeowners to improve the quality of life in The Escape.

My career is largely construction-focused. I graduated from Purdue University in 1984 with a degree in Building Construction Technology and went to work for a national-level Construction Management Firm then called Huber, Hunt & Nichols. I spent twenty years with them and held positions of varying responsibilities from Project Engineer to Vice President.

I left the then-renamed Hunt Construction Group in 2004 and joined Johnson & Johnson's Engineering & Property Services Group. I am currently the Global Director for Construction with responsibility for improving construction delivery on all capital projects and developing construction/contracting strategies worldwide.

I spent many years coaching my sons' sports teams at both the Rec and travel levels. Our family enjoys country music concerts, watersports, hunting, fishing, hiking, travel, sports of about any sort and just relaxing when we can.

I do travel as part of my work but I also understand the rules around meeting attendance and the ability to attend via Skype. As evidenced by my commitment over the past year, it would still be my intent to attend in person. I also have the flexibility to work from home and plan my own travel which allows me to plan ahead for meetings.

I hope my participation has been of benefit to the community and, if so, would appreciate your consideration for re-election to the Board. I look forward to hearing from you.

Jeff Lipnichan:

This is a request that I be considered as a board member for the upcoming elections.

I am specifically interested in the treasurer position.

My background as an engineer and plant manager provides me with the background to review and manage budgets.

Jeff Lipnichan

Patrice O'Dougherty:

August 30, 2017

I have been a resident of the "Escape" since the summer of 2003. Since then I have tried to keep an avid interest in the activities surrounding the "Escape" especially by attending board meetings and volunteering to serve on committees (grievances, by-laws, budget, etc.)

I feel that if I am elected to serve on the board I could be a positive voice for the entire community to bring all property owners together to make the community the best it can be. I not only see things from the perspective of people on a fixed income but I also have three grand-children who live in the "Escape" so I would want to make sure that this community remains fiscally sound as well as a pleasant and safe place for them in the future.

Patrice O'Dougherty



## Helen Peterson:

Helen Peterson is a Native of Staten Island NY, and a graduate of Tottenville High School class of 1968. After High School Helen became a homemaker raising her children and tending to her family. In 1978 Helen decided to open her own business purchasing a Good Humor Ice cream truck. She became a pioneer in this industry, being the only woman to own and operate a Good Humor Ice Cream truck in NYC's outer boroughs during that time.

In 1986 after 8 years of successful entrepreneurship, Helen decided to change careers and entered into the Hospitality industry working for the Mountain Lodge resort in McAfee New Jersey. She was hired as the Assistant Steward Executive, and later being promoted to the position of Executive Steward. This started a 28 year career in the industry where she was recruited for her expertise and talent, taking her to multiple properties to include Hilton hotels, Hershey lodge and the Portofino Bay resort. Helen was recognized numerous times for projects she initiated to include development of a Quality Assurance committee partnered with the local health inspector to ensure all employees under her charge were certified and licensed for the positions they were assigned.

Helen also volunteered to oversee a program (safe house) to assist victims and their families of Domestic Violence. She chaired a fund raiser every school year to raise money for school supplies for children in need.

Helen was married to Roger Peterson for 13 years and raised 4 children, Cheryl, Robert, Jeffrey and Veronica. She retired in 2014 and now enjoys spending time with her family to include 5 grandchildren and two dogs, Ollie and Otis.

## Lorraine Wolff:

My name is Lorraine Wolff, I have been an owner in the Escape for 30 years. I served on the Board for 4 1/2 years, and presently, I am on the Grievance committee and Dock committee. I am retired from full time employment and have the time and interest to devote to the community.



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## Upcoming Activities:

October 7 - Halloween Golf Cart Parade (Must sign up!)

October 7 - Spaghetti Dinner

October 14 - Dinner with Chris

TBA - Thanksgiving Luncheon/Annual Cookie Exchange/Christmas Potluck



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