

To Settles Bridge subdivision residents !!!

Hello again, neighbors. I return to the President's position of Settle's Bridge Homeowner's Association after being away from SBHA business for quite some time. I appreciate the encouragement from many folks to be involved again. Many of you may recall that I have served in multiple positions within the SBHA since it's creation as an incorporated entity. My previous experience and service with the Association will hopefully work to further grow property owner trust in the Association's work and renewed pride in the neighborhood.

In addition, let me introduce the new 2008 SBHA officers that were also elected to position at the annual meeting on March 1st and join me on the Board this year. We have multiple experienced officers returning.

John Barker – Vice President

Beth Hortman – Secretary

Michelle Anderson – Treasurer

Lindsay Perkins – Member at Large

Ben Sawyer – Member at Large

Nancy Jones – Member at Large

Please call any of us if you would like to help the SBHA in any way this year. We will be needing some assistance in multiple areas and would certainly like to know about any special skills or experience you can offer to support the Association's work. Contact info for any of the officers can be found in the latest Settles Bridge Directory that was distributed a couple of weeks ago.

Our neighborhood is facing challenges today that property owners of the subdivision need to take seriously. For the first time in many years around Atlanta, the home real estate market has suffered and we find our home values being negatively influenced by certain situations we don't have a lot of influence in. In addition, there are multiple subdivisions with newer homes and different choices for the prospective home buyer so the home value competition is stiffer.

But, we can still accentuate the unique qualities of THIS subdivision and there are certain things we ALL can be doing to our homes and habits we can adopt. That's why it's more important now than ever for us to take pride in our homes, our image, and neighborhood to present the best impression to each prospective buyer that visits our neighborhood.

One such VERY important project discussed at the SBHA annual meeting 2 weeks ago is the entrance sign replacement and the stone walls repair and remodeling project that was researched by the 2007 SBHA Board that the 2008 Board now continues. More information about what was presented at the annual meeting on March 1st and the funds required to accomplish this project will be presented in an upcoming newsletter.

You will soon also be receiving information from Treasurer Michelle about the 2008 operating funds drive for SBHA. The Board will also soon be discussing a Capital Funds drive to finance the front entrance projects.

As a property owner in Settles Bridge for 16 years now, I ask that you please seriously consider your financial contribution this year to the Association and support this Board of Officers so we can work to best protect property ownership interests.

Best regards....

Ron Rogers

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