

# Malvern Hills Community News



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## CELEBRATE SUMMER!!

Our annual summer picnic is just around the corner. We will gather on Sunday, September 7 from 4:00-6:00 pm at the Malvern Hills Park. Rotisserie chicken and drinks will be provided. Please bring enough food to feed your family and to share with others. If you are willing help with set-up at 3:00, contact Elaine Poovey at 253-3514. Many hands make light work!! The playground is available for small children to enjoy. Come and meet your new neighbors as we have several families who have moved into the community during the past year.



## Malvern Hills Community Made “Lemonade”

You have heard the old expression, “When life hands you lemons, make lemonade.” Our community did just that on March 23 when we had a general meeting scheduled. The appointed place was not available at the last minute and Ellen and Steve Mitchell graciously opened up the basement of their home for us. About 75 people attended and we enjoyed presentations by Rick Russell about his new book Robert Henry, A Western Carolina Patriot, and Brother Hug Barlow’s sharing information about Canie Creek Greenway. The neighborhood came together in a spirit of community fellowship.

## Bear Creek Road Traffic Humps

On Wednesday, July 23, four speed humps were installed on a 1200-foot section of Bear Creek Road from the Patton Avenue entrance to the intersection with Houghton Place. As many of you know, we have worked on this project for over eleven years and feel gratified that our persistence has paid off. Already residents report slower traffic and a more peaceful street.



## At the August 3 Community Club Board meeting, the following items were approved:

1. Voluntary dues contribution from each household was raised from \$5 to \$10. The first record we can find of dues states they were \$2/per household. They were eventually raised to \$5 and have been that amount for several years. In approving the budget for September 1, 2014-August 31, 2015, the Board realized a need to increase the amount. Budget items include \$65 for the website, summer picnic cost at \$100, the winter social for \$25, fall maintenance for the three community triangles \$200, newsletters and yard signs \$75, yard sale publicity \$25, and bereavement fund \$25 with a contingency fund for emergencies of \$100. In the past we have had less than 50% of the homes participate and would like to see full participation from our neighborhood to support the community activities. Our treasurer will begin collecting the \$10 voluntary contribution from each household for the New Year at the summer picnic. If you choose to write a check, make it payable to the Malvern Hills Community Club.

2. The nominations committee submitted the following names for officers and board members: President-Russ Davis; Vice President-Suzanne Klonis; Secretary-Elaine Poovey; Treasurer-Robbie Muirhead  
At-Large Members: Cleone Black, Bill Burnette, Ann Clayton, Charlotte Enderle, Steve Mitchell, Jesse Ross, Julie Ruch, and Dorland Winkler.

Sulphur Springs Park/Canie Creek Greenway-River Link has adopted this as one of its project to help us acquire the property and as such has submitted a matching-funds grant to the State Water Management for \$450,000. Two appraisals were completed as required by the grant. These were paid for by two generous residents of Malvern Hills. If you would like to support this project to preserve an important part of Malvern Hills, donations may be made online through the River Link website at <http://co.clickandpledge.com/advanced/default.aspx?wid=35188>. This link is available through the community website [MalvernHills.org](http://MalvernHills.org).