



HEDINGHAM

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Mission Statement

The intention is to project a positive image of Hedingham, provide news and information to all residents without editorializing or taking sides

Board Member Elections

Elections for two Homeowners' Association Board positions are being scheduled for a two year term beginning in January 2013. Board meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month. Most other Board business is conducted via email.

If you are interested in being considered for one of these positions, please contact Michael Zmuda (Community Manager) by email at michael@casnc.com or at 919-231-9050 ext. 24. Visit the website to get the Board Member Nomination Form located in the "Forms and Documents" section. Submit the form by September 3, 2012, to be considered. Also, let your Neighborhood Representative know which candidates you support for these important positions—these individuals make decisions that affect every household in Hedingham. Each Neighborhood Representative will cast ballots on behalf of their district and the results will be announced at the September Board Meeting. Find an email link for your Neighborhood Representative at www.hedingham.org.

District Neighborhood Elections

Do you live in Districts 1,3,5,7,9 or 11 and would you like to represent your neighborhood? This is your opportunity. Find your Voting District at Hedingham.org in the "Forms and Documents" section, and read on.

There are 11 neighborhoods in Hedingham. Each neighborhood elects a three member Neighborhood Committee to represent their homeowners on all matters requiring a vote. The Neighborhood Committees are the voice of the homeowners in their District to make sure those voices are heard. Each Neighborhood Committee appoints a Voting Member who casts a single vote for Board elections, changing Covenants and Bylaws, borrowing money for community projects, and other voting matters as outlined in the Covenants. Help to do your part in making Hedingham one of the best communities to live in. The cut-off date for nominations is July 15.

Please take the time to get a Neighborhood Committee Nomination Form from Andrea at the Athletic Club or visit Hedingham.org on the Forms and Documents Page.

What are Those Things in Hedingham Lake?

"Away with Geese" lights have been installed as a new method to deter the geese that enjoy our lake. These devices are a simple, compact, and maintenance free way to control the goose population on lakes and ponds, minimizing the problems caused by their droppings, and damage caused by nesting geese.

Unlike other methods used to deter geese such as chemical sprays, physical barriers, noise devices, trained dogs, and hunting, "Away with Geese" has no adverse affects on the environment or humans. Each device is comprised of a solar powered light that flashes once every two seconds, mounted on a flotation device anchored to the bottom of the lake. The flashing device is designed to disrupt the geese just enough to make them uncomfortable, and the end result, according to studies, is that they will fly to another location.



The guest fee for the pools is now \$2 per guest for up to 4 guests per day.

Hi-Milers Stay Busy

Although they are on summer break, the Hi-Milers, Hedingham's social club for residents aged 55+, had quite an event-filled spring. The group's monthly meetings featured speakers on a variety of topics such as a presentation on Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz by a librarian from the Knightdale library, a speaker from the Senior Carolina Fire Advisory Company on protecting your home, a representative from the NC State Encore program on programs, non-credit courses, study trips, travel opportunities locally, nationally, and internationally, and special events for adults. The Hi-Milers also attended a free concert by the Cardinal Singers held at Meredith College that included songs by Jerome Kern, Harold Arlen, Ira Gershwin, and Cole Porter, and also featured the Meredith College Chorus. The group made time to volunteer at the UNC-TV Festival 2012, which also included touring the station facilities and seeing other shows in progress, attended the Durham Bulls Senior Appreciation Day game, and had a guided tour of the Story of North Carolina and the Thomas Day exhibits at the NC Museum of History provided by one of the Hi-Miler members.

Check the Hi-Milers link on the Hedingham.org home page for additional information.

Strolling on the Golf Paths

Do you think it would be OK to stroll your toddler on a football field during the middle of the second quarter of the game? How about taking a brisk walk with your dog on the soccer field during a game? Would it be a good idea to meet friends to hang out at the tennis court net while a doubles match is going on? The very obvious answer to these questions is a big NO. Hedingham golfers have noted a significant increase in Hedingham residents walking, riding bikes and walking along the golf paths while they are playing. Golfers always have the right of way on the course without regard to the time of day. If you can see golfers while walking, respectfully move away from the cart path until the golfers have played through. Failure to do so is a serious safety hazard and an unwanted distraction for the golfers.

As long as it doesn't interfere with golf play, residents are permitted to walk on the golf course and golf cart paths only:

- **Before 7am and after 7pm from May 1 - October 30.**
- **Before 8am and after 6pm from November 1 - April 30.**

Neither bicycling, roller-blading, skating, skate-boarding, nor dogs are permitted on the golf course or golf cart paths at any time.

The golf course is private property and not owned by the Hedingham Community Association. Residents are expected to follow the owner's rules.

Golfing News in Hedingham

The **Fourth Annual Hedingham Scholarship Tournament**, formerly known as the Rob Muccio Scholarship Tournament, was held on May 12. This event, open to any golfer in the area, was comprised of twelve teams. Approximately \$1200 was raised for scholarships this year. Six scholarships have been awarded over the past four years.

Scholarship applicants must be a Hedingham resident and a high school graduate and be enrolled full-time in an accredited program. Applications may be obtained at the Pro Shop and the Athletic Club. Deadline for submission is July 1, 2012.

The **Twilight Mixed League** meets on Tuesdays at 5:45 p.m. To sign up, please email Lee at leethayne@nc.rr.com.

The **Ladies Thursday Night League** starts with a lesson first at 5:30 p.m. and then nine holes of golf at 6:00 p.m. There are snacks and drinks afterwards and time to review some rules of golf with Tad Wood, our Head Pro this year. For more details and to sign up, please email Karen at kccolegene@gmail.com.

Save the date for the **Annual Fall Resident/Member Tournament** on September 22. Details for this event will follow. Those eligible for play are residents and Platinum members. The Hedingham Community Association and the Fred Smith Company combine efforts to sponsor this event for us so plan to come out and support it.

Heddingham Security News

Officer Harrelson, Heddingham's fulltime Raleigh Police Officer and consultant to the Community Watch group, offers these basic security tips to all residents to maintain safe and secure homes:

- Get a security system installed in your home
- Make sure all windows, doors and garages are locked
- Leave a light on at night in both the front and rear of your home or install motion-sensitive lights
- Keep all personal belongings out of sight and locked
- Never leave a spare house key under the door mat
- Ask your neighbors to watch your home and take in your mail when you are away
- Leave a radio or TV on when you're not at home
- Report suspicious activity immediately when you observe it
- Get involved by attending posted meetings for Neighborhood Watch. Watch the sandwich boards for dates and meeting locations.

Residents with safety or security concerns are advised to call 911 in an emergency. For other issues you want Officer Harrelson to know about or just want to ask his advice, he can be reached by email at jason.harrelson@raleighnc.gov, and by telephone during normal weekday business hours on his city cell phone number 919-278-6342. Please be aware that he does not answer his 'work phone' when he is not on duty so messages left there may not get a response for some time. He prefers email correspondence, which also displays on his personal cell phone so he will receive messages even when he is not on duty. Email also provides details in writing so he doesn't have to rewrite everything after reviewing voice messages. Pictures attached to email can be very helpful to Officer Harrelson in identifying someone or something a resident may consider suspicious.

IF YOU SEE IT, REPORT IT!

Officer Harrelson has developed a method for residents to report speeding violations. Upon receipt of enough detailed information, he will send a letter to the vehicle's owner stating that someone observed the car speeding within our community. The name of the person who filed the speeding complaint will not be released under any circumstances; however Officer Harrelson will not send a letter based on an anonymous complaint so you must furnish information to him.

In order for the letter to be sent to an individual, at a minimum, the following must be provided:

- The plate number of the suspect vehicle
- The location the speeding occurred
- The date and time the offense occurred
- The name and telephone number of the person making the report
- Other helpful but not required information is the color of the vehicle and description of the driver.

Once he has this information, a letter will be sent to the registered owner by mail notifying them that their vehicle was observed speeding in the community. The letter is simply a notification rather than a citation or fine.

Did You Know?

- The Heddingham Community Board of Directors meets the third Wednesday evening of each month at the Willow Oak Clubhouse. All meetings are public and a resident forum is included in the agenda to allow all issues to be addressed to the Board.
- Vehicles must be parked either in the driveway or in the garage of your home. Parking on the grass is not allowed at any time.
- The gate for the tennis courts is being changed to a self-latch and lock mechanism to maintain and protect the court and nets. Residents can purchase a key at the front desk for \$20, refundable when the key is returned.
- On Saturday, September 8, 2012, 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Willow Oak Clubhouse parking lot, East Bridge Church will sponsor a neighborhood block party to celebrate the start of a new school year. There will be food, bounce houses, prizes, and games. For questions contact Nathan Miller at 919-426-7199 or nathan@eastbridgechurch.org
- The Neighborhood Watch program is gearing up in Heddingham. It is not only a good security measure but an opportunity for residents to meet each other. Meeting dates and times are posted on the sandwich boards.

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It'll Be October Before You Know It!

Hedingham's fall October Fest will be held on October 13, 2012, from 1:00 until 4:00 p.m. Festivities will include fun games for children as well as shopping for adults. The October Fest always features good food and drink so mark your calendar now to get in on the fun. Any Hedingham resident interested in marketing their arts or crafts should reserve space early as space is limited. Vendor space will be offered at \$25.00 for a table ready to set up. Watch the Hedingham.org website for additional information. The Social Committee also needs volunteers to help make this year's October Fest the best ever and it is an excellent opportunity for high school students to log some fun volunteer hours. Contact JoAnne Baldini at baldini.joanne@gmail.com or Michael Zmuda at 919-231-1502 with your name and phone number.

There are Sharks in Hedingham

The Hedingham SHARKS Swim Team is gearing up for a winning 2012 season! So far, the team has registered 130 swimmers ages 4-18. Online registration is still available at www.HedinghamSharks.org. The annual Team Building Day was held on May 6, 2012, and approximately 65 parents and children enjoyed games and snow cones at the Willow Oak playground. The Swim Team held a neighborhood Chicken /Barbeque plate sale fund raiser on June 2 that everyone enjoyed.

The Swim Team invites everyone in the neighborhood to come and cheer them on at home meets on the following Tuesday nights at the Willow Oak Pool:

**June 19 vs. Meredith Townes;
July 3 vs. North Hills; July 17 vs. Southhall**

Meets start at 6 p.m. Hot dogs, pizza, candy and drinks will be available for purchase during each home meet.

Thank you Hedingham for your support and encouragement. GO SHARKS!!

Important Contacts

Community Manager (Mike Zmuda)	231-9050, ext. 24
Athletic Center (Front Desk)	231-9050, ext. 22
YORK Security	919-828-7677 billtolley@yorkproperties.com
Golf Club	919-250-3030
Police (non-emergency)	919-831-6311
Progress Energy (power outage)	919-508-5400
Progress Energy (street light outage)	1-800-419-6356
PSNC Energy (gas)	1-877-776-2427
NC One Call Center (mark utility lines)	1-800-632-4949
Solid Waste Services (trash, recycling, bulk pickups)	919-996-6890