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## Welcome by Michael Riotto

Dear MVRA Friends.

Ah, March really fooled us, and our plants and trees as well, with all those beautiful warm days, but Mother Nature has reminded us in April that she is still in charge! with much more seasonally cooler days and nights.

Our trees, shrubs and plants are blossoming ahead of schedule, please take a few moments out of your day, as they say, 'to stop and smell the roses', even if its only the wonderful smell of lilacs before they are gone.

With spring here, a friendly reminder to one and all, please slow down! Remember while driving on our streets that many of our young ones will be out playing ball, shooting hoops, skateboarding or just having fun outside. Keep them safe!

Speaking of young ones, one of the most fantastic events that MVRA sponsors will be held very soon, EXTREME GAMES is just a few weeks away, (see inside for details). This is one of the most anticipated events of the year! It is awesome to see all of our neighbors helping out, even those who no longer have little ones participating, all involved to be sure a good time is guaranteed. This is just one of the events that truly make Mountain View a special place to live.

Come and join in the fun.!

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## The Warwick Fire Company Needs Our Help!

by Terri Porter

Construction of the new Warwick Fire House is underway; yet, all of the necessary funds to complete the project are still being raised.

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# MVRA Board Meeting - April 12, 2012

**Attendees:** Rhian Huhn, Mike Riotta, Kathy Rodgers, Joe Jewsiak, Carole Jones, Terri Porter, Kathy Vantine, Phyliss McCabe, Doug Davidson, Hilary Harris, Greg Rodgers, Rick Renz, Kathleen Mittura, Lynn McLaughlin, Bob Talley

— Meeting was called to order by Kathleen Mittura at 8:10PM.—

**Welcome:** Kathleen thanked the Rogers family for hosting

**Minutes -** March 2012 minutes were reviewed and approved.

**Treasurer's Report -** Rick Renz

- Income = \$65
- Expenses = \$640
- Ending Balance = \$5353

**Newsletter -** Josh Curtis

- Big Tent is closed.
- New Website - [www.mvranews.com](http://www.mvranews.com)
- Brainstorm what information is published and what is not.
- Will eventually retire email [mvranews@gmail.com](mailto:mvranews@gmail.com) and use [@mvranews.com](mailto:@mvranews.com)

**Membership -** Terri Porter

- 1 New family
- 1 House sold, 2 homes currently for sale in Mountain View

**Social -**

- Jake Darreff fundraiser | Evening Under the Stars - September 8th
- Fire house fundraiser - ideas
  - Potential fundraiser
  - Collections at our social events except Evening Under Stars. Kathy Vantine & Kathy Rodgers – head up organization of fundraising 50/50s & Raffles.
- Game night - August 11
- Extreme games - June 8th
- Wine & Cheese with board members - Date TBD. Send invitation to all new neighbors.

**Old Business -**

- Great American cleanup | 4/21/2012, raindate 4/28 | 7am to 8am | Focus on Almshouse road

**New Business -**

- Thank you to Carole Jones for the flowers at the entrances.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14PM

The next MVRA meeting will be at Kathy Ochal's house on Thursday, May 10th @ 8pm.

# Welcome by Michael Riotto (continued from page 1)

May is a special month. Please remember 'MOM' on her special day. On Memorial Day, remember all those who serve and have served; they truly deserve our honor gratitude.

Last, but not least, thank you to the very many people who volunteer their time and effort to make Mountain View a very special place to live.

We are truly a community-spirited development.

Enjoy life, for it is too precious to let it pass us by.

A fellow MVRA board member.

## Blood Drive...by Kathy Vantine

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel will hosting a blood drive on May 14th from 9:30a -7:30p. The drive will take place in St. Mary's Hall. Appointments are strongly encouraged. Please contact Kathy Vantine at (215) 343-4733 to schedule an appointment.

You must be 16 or older to donate.

*Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church*  
235 East State Street  
Doylestown, PA. 18901



### **MVRA SOCIAL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:**

Date	Event	Hosted by
6/8/ 2012	<b><u>Extreme Games</u></b> Hot dogs & treats!	Val Haenn & Jen Hansel
8/11/2012	<b><u>Game Night Out (Adults!)</u></b> More information to follow – SAVE THE DATE!	Hilary Harris
9/8/2012	<b><u>Evening Under the Stars</u></b> More information to follow – SAVE THE DATE! * Anyone that can provide, put together or donate a basket please let Karen know	Karen Romas & Social Committee
9/2012	<b><u>Next Social Meeting</u></b> Date to be determined.	Carol McShane
9/28/2012	<b><u>Wine &amp; Cheese Night</u></b> For the Board Members and New Residents	The Davidsons

# Get Ready for Extreme Games by Valerie Haenn



Friday, June 8th  
Cambridge Circle



Games begin at 6PM; Please arrive by 5:45PM  
Participants need to be between the ages of 3-12  
Please wear sneakers!!!!

Those that RSVP by May 15th will receive "2" BONUS  
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Teenage Helpers Needed = Receive Community Hours  
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# Welcome New Neighbors

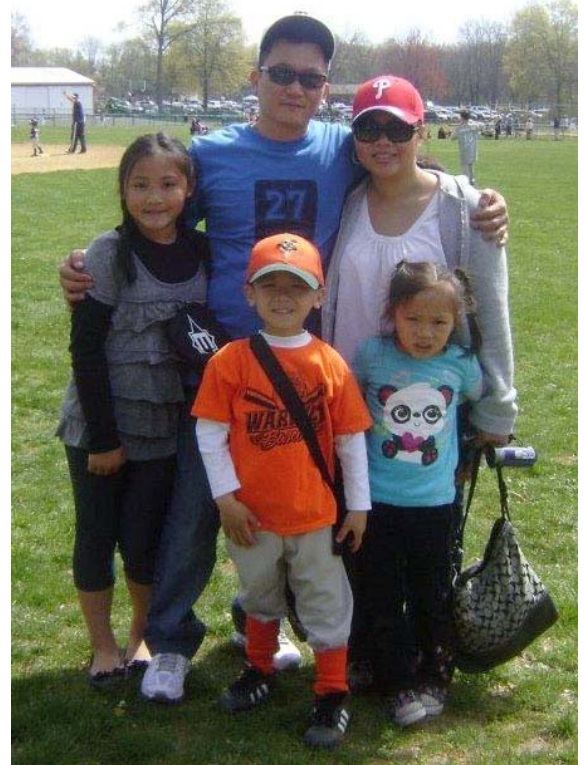
by Terri Porter

Mountain View would like to welcome the Chui family to our neighborhood! John and Christina Chui moved into 2218 Cambridge Circle with their adorable children, Jasmine, Jordan, and Jadelin.

The Chui family moved to Mountain View from Philadelphia. They spent three years searching for the perfect home, returning to Mountain View many times hoping to move here! They liked the Jamison area because of its closeness to the city, wonderful parks to explore, great schools, and lovely neighborhoods with Mountain View being one of them!

Although the Chui's have moved to the suburbs, they continue to work in Northeast Philadelphia. John is an automobile mechanic for Toyota. Christina graduated from Holy Family with a degree in nursing. She is currently employed as a Clinical Specialist at an Outpatient Surgery Center in northeast Philadelphia and Cherry Hill. Her job keeps her very mobile as she services those who need her help.

As for their children, Jasmine is the oldest! She is in the third grade at Jamison Elementary School. Her favorite school subject is math! When she is not doing her homework, Jasmine is involved in Kickball and Knock-Out Basketball - two activities that keep her very busy. Jordan, the middle child, is in the first grade! He also enjoys learning math! He is currently playing Rookie Baseball and loving it! Perhaps he will begin to use his math abilities to calculate his batting average! That leaves Jadelin, the Chui's five year old! Not only is she adorable, she loves to sing! I was very impressed with the impeccable manners all three of these children portrayed! Good job, parents!



When the Chui family is not working and going to school, they love to do family “fun” things together. Although they are avid Phillies fans, attending games whenever they can, they also root on the Eagles, 76ers and the Flyers as well! They have introduced their children to fishing and enjoy exploring area parks. Family vacations are a must every year. They have traveled to Disney and Myrtle Beach, to name a few. To celebrate their 10th anniversary, John and Christina relaxed in Punta Cana while their children enjoyed some time with their grandparents in northeast Philly.

They are a wonderful family and we are happy they chose to live in Mountain View. John and Christina have joined our Association! They are looking forward to attending many of our social events. Please welcome them by calling them at 267-483-8230 or e-mail them at [jc-chewy@hotmail.com](mailto:jc-chewy@hotmail.com). Remember to add the Chui family to your Mountain View directory!



# MAY 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Warwick Board of Supervisors	8	9	10 MVRA Meeting	11	12
13 Mother's Day	14 - Blood Drive - Warwick Planning Commission	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 Warwick Board of Supervisors	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 Memorial Day	29	30	31		

## Schedule of Events

- } May 7 - Warwick Board of Supervisors Meeting  
Time: 7pm-8pm  
Where: Main Meeting Room
- } May 10 - MVRA Meeting hosted by the Cathy Ochal  
Time: 8:00pm  
Where: 2329 Jericho Drive
- } May 14 - Warwick Planning Commission Meeting  
Time: 7:30pm-8:30pm  
Where: Main Meeting Room
- } May 14 - Blood Drive  
Time: 9:30am-7:30pm  
Where: Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Church
- } May 21 - Warwick Board of Supervisors Meeting  
Time: 7pm-8pm  
Where: Main Meeting Room

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# Home Insurance Options To Help Manage Risk by Christina Jones

Property owners face loss exposures every day. Insurance can be an effective tool for managing risk. Insurance coverage is intended to protect policyholders from unexpected events that can result in financial hardship. Basic insurance policies cover property damage and liability exposures, but there are several additional options to consider to enhance coverage and reduce risk:

## Back-Up of Sewer or Drain

This covers direct physical loss caused by backup of water or sewage from outside the residence plumbing system that enters through a sewer or drain or which overflows from within a sump pump. Specific items are covered and several options may be available to you. A good thing to learn about especially if you have a finished basement.

## Identity Theft Protection and Restoration

Identity Fraud means the fraudulent use of a person's identity to commit crimes, unlawfully establish credit accounts, secure loans, or to enter into contracts. Since identity theft is on the rise, this protection may be needed. Identity Restoration coverage may be purchased as protection for costs associated with restoring your identity after an identity fraud event. Some policies can provide up to \$25,000 for covered expenses including costs incurred for:

- Legal fees and expenses
- Re-filing applications for loans
- Notarizing affidavits
- Long distance phone calls and postage
- Credit reports
- Lost wages

## Jewelry/Computers

There are additional coverages available for jewelry, furs, silverware, goldware, and home computers. Coverage is available that increases the basic policy limit for computers, and other electronic devices. Separate, broader coverage may be needed for personal desktop or laptop computers as well. Because these items can vary family to family, you should discuss your needs with your agent.

## Business

The Homeowners policy typically provides some coverage for property used in a business and may have increased limits available. Things like a computer, desk, and phone may fall under this category. For many businesses, a separate business policy may be a better choice because more comprehensive coverage is available.

*Disclaimer: Policy language defines coverage.*

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# Easter Egg Hunt a Success by Carol McShane

Thank you to John and Carla Tomlinson for hosting the Egg Hunt for Mountain View again this year. Of course Mother Nature was a little tricky once again for our annual egg hunt, but we were still able to hold the event and a good time was had by all.



# Great American Cleanup by Phyllis McCabe



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The Great American Cleanup of Pennsylvania on April 21 was a success. Kudos to Shelia and John Wnuk, Carol Jones and Kelli Chioffee for donning red safety vests, work gloves and helping to collect a mound of trash. We had a

lot of fun. We plan to do it again next year, and we hope that we can get a chance



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## The Warwick Fire Company Needs Our Help!

by Terri Porter

In an effort to assist the Warwick Fire House Building Project, Mountain View Board of Directors will offer some type of raffle, drawing, 50/50 at all of our social events throughout the remainder of this year. Our hope is that Mountain View residents will support this initiative with half of the proceeds going to the Warwick Fire House Project.

Kathy Vantine and Kathy Rodgers have graciously offered to chair this initiative.

**Firefighters save hearts and homes.**  
 ~Author Unknown

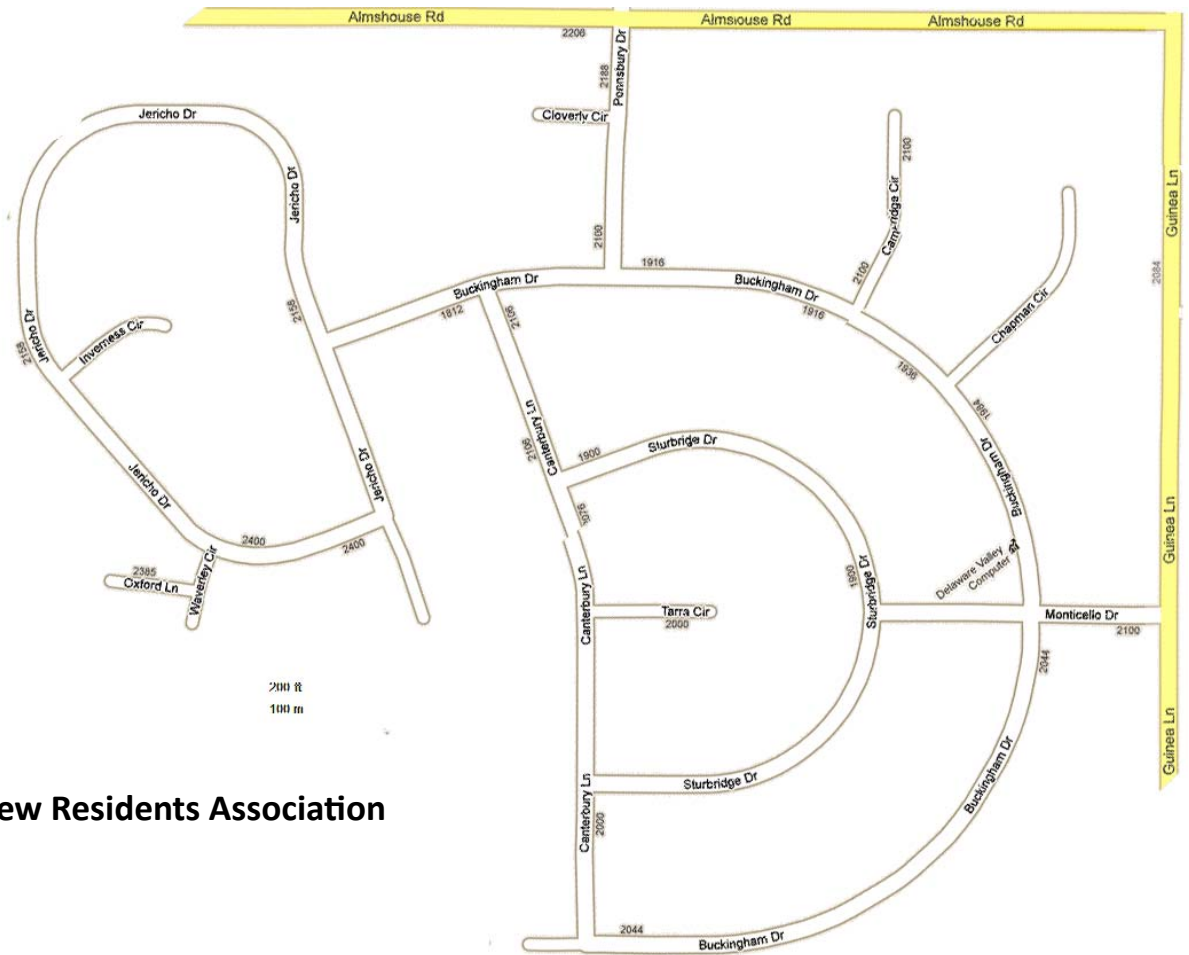




## Tech Tips - Keep Your Inbox Clean by Josh Curtis

Below is a list of suggestions for keeping your email inbox clean. Following these suggestions will not only organize your email, but it will speed up your email program and make the entire experience more enjoyable.

1. Set rules, filters, and/or labels. Every email program allows you configure rules and filters to deal with unwanted email. The most common email filter is for junk mail; the email program will automatically move that junk out of your inbox and into a 'Junk' box. Use your rules for more than just junk... for instance, you can tell your email program to search for emails with the subject Funny and automatically file it a 'Jokes' folder.
2. Don't be afraid to delete.
3. Don't Use Email as a Calendar. Often, a person's inbox is full because they're using it as a calendar or to-do list. Use a separate program for this stuff...most email programs have calendars and to-do lists built in.
4. Keep it Short. Most people don't bother reading past the first sentence (or even the subject line), don't waste your time with a long message.
5. Don't reply to spam...it only creates more.
6. Keep at it. Try to spend a few minutes each day cleaning your inbox.



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