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Welcome by Kathleen Mittura

Dear MVRA friends,

"October is nature's funeral month. Nature glories in death more than in life. The month of departure is more beautiful than the month of coming - October than May. Every green thing loves to die in bright colors."

- Henry Ward Beecher

The Mountain View board will be hosting a "Meet and Greet" on October 5th at the Davidson's home from 6:30-8:30pm. Members who moved into Mountain View within the last few years are encouraged to attend and meet our board and learn about our activities and opportunities for service. All members are invited to participate.

There are many events inside of Mountain View this season. Please join us for the Halloween Parade, Progressive Dinner, and Winter Fest. All are welcome.

Volunteers are a valuable asset to any organizations, and we thank all those who contribute in any way to the success of Mountain View. Thank You, Thank You, Thank You.

Enjoy Fall Everyone!

Evening Under the Stars Shine by Karen Romas

MVRA's 5th annual "Evening Under the Stars" Fundraiser was a huge success! We were able to raise \$7,000 for The Jake Darreff Legacy Foundation helping children and their families fight childhood cancer. Thank you to all the wonderful people in our neighborhood and local businesses who donated to our raffle baskets. A special thanks to our musical entertainment that was generously provided by Jazz with Friends (www.jazzwithfriends.com), our guest bartenders, Joy and Tom Darreff, and all those who attended making the event a memorable evening! The night could not of been such a success without all the committee members and neighborhood

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Extreme Games!
Friday, June 8th
Cambridge Circle
(see page 5)

MVRA Board Meeting - June 14, 2012

Attendees: Kathleen Mittura, Josh Curtis, John Palladino, Diane Keener, Carol McShane, Carole Jones, Kathy Ochal Thompson, Hilary Harris, Phyllis McCabe, Rhian Huhn, Joe Jewusiak, Lynn McLaughlin

— Meeting was called to order by Kathleen Mittura at 8:11PM.—

Welcome: Kathleen thank the Palladinos for hosting the meeting .

Minutes - June 2012 minutes were reviewed and approved.

Treasurer's Report -

- Income = \$0 | Expenses = \$0 | Balance = \$3,365
- Fund allocation for Evening under the stars \$500 - approved
- Entrance Electric paid in July to the resident whose box we utilize – electric is up to date

Newsletter - Josh Curtis

- Stamps for newsletter were donated.
- Website is ongoing.
- Newsletters will eventually be quarterly instead of monthly.
- Deadline for September newsletter is Sep 25th.

Membership -

- Brown's house on Jericho sold.

Social -

- October 5 ,wine and cheese – Davidsons
- Fire house support. Halloween parade - MVRA – match the donations up to \$200- approved. Encourage donation in notices. 50/50s at progressive
- Halloween parade – more than the bucket from years past? Date 10/27. Request incoming for \$100 funding for parade - approved
- Progressive dinner. November 10. Funding request pending

Old Business -

- Deed restrictions need to be printed and distributed to all residents. October Newsletter – advertise that they are on website. Distributed in print with newsletter to all residents at the time of membership drive.
- Health and Safety - Still an active committee, but does not look for violations. Responds to issues or safety concerns that are brought to their attention. Reaffirm the existence in the newsletter.
- Lights at field - No update.
- Paint for signs - Have blue paint, getting gold paint.

New Business -

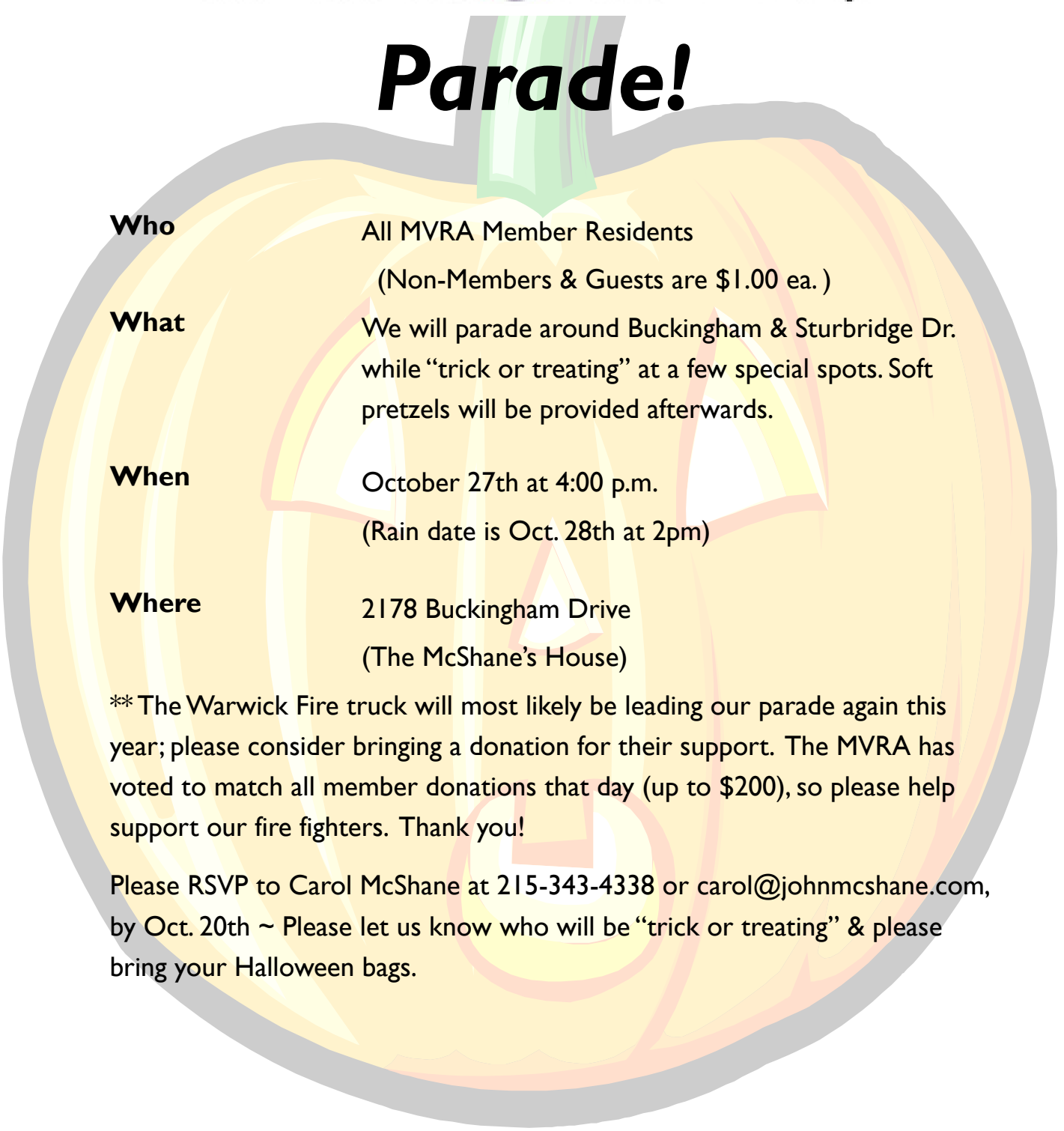
- Entrances
 - Trees need trimming for health of the trees
 - Get a few estimates
- Request funds from the board for fall plantings - \$80 – approved

The meeting was adjourned at 9:16PM

The next MVRA meeting will be at the Huhn's (2273 Jericho Drive) on Thursday, Oct 11th @ 8pm.

HALLOWEEN

Parade!

- 
- Who** All MVRA Member Residents
(Non-Members & Guests are \$1.00 ea.)
- What** We will parade around Buckingham & Sturbridge Dr. while “trick or treating” at a few special spots. Soft pretzels will be provided afterwards.
- When** October 27th at 4:00 p.m.
(Rain date is Oct. 28th at 2pm)
- Where** 2178 Buckingham Drive
(The McShane’s House)

** The Warwick Fire truck will most likely be leading our parade again this year; please consider bringing a donation for their support. The MVRA has voted to match all member donations that day (up to \$200), so please help support our fire fighters. Thank you!

Please RSVP to Carol McShane at 215-343-4338 or carol@johnmcshane.com, by Oct. 20th ~ Please let us know who will be “trick or treating” & please bring your Halloween bags.

Help Wanted! by Natalie Reznik

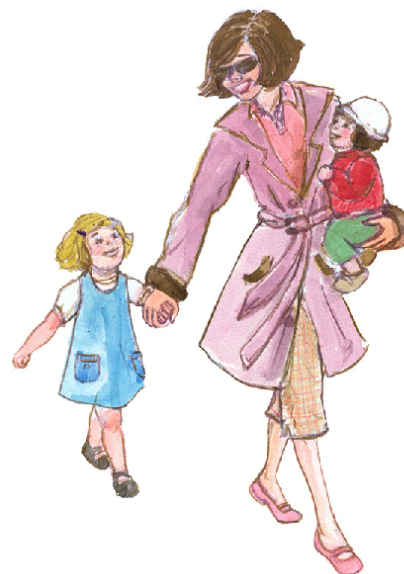
Looking for a reliable person to spend 2 hours a day, 3 days a week with my 4 year old daughter. Job would entail picking my daughter up from preschool at 5PM, and bringing her to our home at 2037 Sturbridge Drive to spend time with her until 7:00PM.

The preschool is Rainbow Academy less than 5 miles from our home. There may be a few days in the future when we would need help to drop her off at school in the morning at 8:45AM.

Willing to pay \$11 per hour plus \$20 for gas to drive her to and from school. Looking for someone with a good driving record.

If interested, please contact Natalie Reznik at mobile 267-980-5851 or home 215-343-7474.

Thank you!



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MVRA SOCIAL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Date Time	Event	Hosted by
10/5/2012 - 6:30-8:30	<u>Wine & Cheese Night</u> For the Board Members and New Residents	Doug & Christina Davidson (2082 Guinea Lane)
10/27/2012 - 4:00	<u>Halloween Parade</u>	John & Carol McShane (2178 Buckingham Drive) (Rain date 10/28 @ 2PM)
11/10/2012 - 6:30	<u>Progressive Dinner</u>	Chaired by John & Carla Tomlinson
Jan 2013	<u>Winterfest</u> More information to follow	



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Tech Tips & Tricks - Solid State Drives by Josh Curtis

It was a little over three years ago that solid state drives (SSD) caught the attention of the techies (aka computer geeks). However, it has taken all that time for the prices to come down where a SSD is a viable option for consumers.

Some of the following concepts may be confusing, so here is a little background to help you out. The hard drive in your computer is the piece where ALL of your information is stored. The hard drive itself is very similar to a record player...with a rigid disc (record) that spins and an arm that moves across the disc to read the data (like a needle). On the other hand, a SSD is a hard drive with NO moving parts...similar to USB flash drive or the memory card in your digital camera. Unlike USB drives and camera cards, SSD are built specifically for computers and can hold a lot more information.

A SSD has three major advantages over the typical drive:

1. **Speed Speed Speed** - Typically, the hard drive is the bottleneck of any computer. However, with no moving parts, a computer with a SSD is typically 4-5 times faster than a computer with a

typical HDD! Check out the times of a computer that was upgraded with a SSD:

2. **Energy** - With no moving parts, the SSD's require less energy to run than your typical hard drive. Secondly, because your tasks are completing 4-5 times faster, your computer is only working hard for 20%-25% of the time it used to...a huge energy savings over a typical hard drive.
3. **Reliability** - Typical drives are very fragile and even a small bump or drop could prove detrimental. Again, with no moving parts, there are very little components that can break. All this makes your data much more secure and reliable...especially for laptop computers.

So how much do they cost? A SSD suitable for the average computer is under \$150-\$200. Of course, if you can't do it yourself, you'll have to pay someone to make the migration for you.

If you're looking for a faster computer, maybe even a new computer, consider a SSD. A SSD in your old computer may just be faster than a regular drive in a new computer.



Typical hard drive (top).
SSD (bottom).



	Old Drive	SSD
Boot Up Time:	95 sec	24 sec
FireFox/Internet Explorer Start	7-15 secs	3 sec
Login + Bootup software (Anti-Virus, printers, etc)	125 secs	9 secs

Schedule of Events

- } Oct 1 - Warwick Board of Supervisors Meeting
Time: 7pm-8pm
Where: Main Meeting Room
- } Oct 8 - Warwick Planning Commission Meeting
Time: 7:30pm-8:30pm
Where: Main Meeting Room
- } October 11 - MVRA Meeting hosted by the Keener's.
Time: 8pm
Where: 2226 Jericho Drive
- } October 13—Warwick Day
Time: 12p-4pm
Where: Guinea Lane Park
- } Oct 15 - Warwick Board of Supervisors Meeting
Time: 7pm-8pm
Where: Main Meeting Room
- } October 27 - Halloween Parade hosted by the McShane's
Time: 4pm
Where: 2178 Buckingham Drive

OCTOBER 2012

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

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Evening Under the Stars Shine (continued from Page 1)

teens (Kali Rundle, Gabriella Villa, Lauren and Nicole Wills, Kristen Blank, Gabriella Gutierrez, Erin O'Shaughnessy, Dana Lipshutz and Lars).

- The Evening Under the Stars Committee

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<i>Jamison Pour House</i>	<i>Amenities Salon</i>
<i>Stars di Prinzi Salon (215-343-4877)</i>	<i>Smith & Scott</i>
<i>Giovanni's</i>	<i>Melting Pot</i>
<i>Augusto's</i>	<i>Village Bagel</i>
<i>Slate Blue</i>	<i>Regal Cinema</i>
<i>Sandwich Bar & Catering</i>	<i>Car Wash Express</i>
<i>Thunderbird Lanes</i>	<i>Uncorked Artist</i>
<i>Chick-fil-A</i>	<i>Tomatoes</i>
<i>Kitchen Table</i>	<i>Taste Winery</i>
<i>David Velasco Salon</i>	<i>Chambers</i>
<i>Pennsylvania Soup Kitchen</i>	<i>Yogurt Tree</i>
<i>KC Prime</i>	<i>Love it</i>
<i>Town and Country Players</i>	<i>Randazzo's</i>
<i>TJ Smith's</i>	<i>Giant</i>
<i>Burpee</i>	

MVRA Progressive Dinner

by Carla Tomlinson



Date: Saturday, November 10, 2012

Time: 6:30 p.m. – 4:00 a.m. ???

RSVP: October 22 (Sat) to Mrs. Carla Tomlinson, 2116 Chapman Circle

Cost: \$25.00 a couple (\$15.00 per couple if you host or volunteer to make dinner) or \$13.00 per person

All members of MVRA are invited to this special fall social event for an evening of great food and fun with your neighbors. It is an opportunity for us to meet our neighbors in a more personal way and to welcome our newest residents.

Logistics of a progressive dinner. We will need three types of “host” homes for the dinner (See Below).

“Social” house (6:30 – 7:45): This host/hostess will make their home available for 40 to 60 people and provide an appetizer for 12 to 15 people. Drinks during the social hour and paper products will be supplied by the committee.

“Dinner” house (7:45 – 9:30): This host/hostess will have 8 to 10 people for dinner including themselves and supply a bottle of wine, rolls, and butter, etc. A small side dish, such as rice, may be requested depending on the meal that is chosen.

“Dessert” house (9:30 – 11:00): This host/hostess will have 40 to 60 people at their home and supply dessert for 10 to 12 people. (Coffee, tea, etc. will be supplied by the committee.)

Note: If at all possible, we would like to use email to deliver further information (such as house assignments) for this event.

PLEASE respond by Oct 26. There is quite a bit of planning and arranging that goes into an event involving this many people and we try to have as much of it completed a day or two after the RSVP date. Once the housing assignments have been made we will only be able to accommodate you if there is still room available.

We hope you will make a special effort to attend the 16th annual progressive dinner for Mountain View! If you have any further questions or can serve as a host home, please contact me at 215--343-2515.

Please clip and send by **October 22, 2010 (Saturday)** to Mrs. Carla Tomlinson

NAME: (Please print) _____ EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

ADDRESS: _____ TELEPHONE #: _____ NUMBER ATTENDING: _____

I/We will bring: (see instructions *)

___ An appetizer to serve 12-15

___ Tossed salad to serve 8-10 & a bottle of wine

___ The entrée (recipe provided – it's easy)

___ A dessert to serve 10-12

I/We will serve as a “host” house (check one):

☐ Social House

☐ Dinner House

☐ Dessert House

OR

* Please number #1 thru #4 in order of preference with #1 being the item you would prefer to bring. Depending on responses, we may need to change the item you have selected to ensure adequate dinners, desserts, etc... Please note that we are almost always in need of volunteers to make dinner, so any offers to provide a dinner would be greatly appreciated!

☐ I volunteered to bring an appetizer, salad, or dessert. Enclosed is my check for \$25 (or \$13/person).

☐ I volunteered to make dinner or be a host house. Enclosed is my check for \$15 (or \$8/person).

Please make check payable to MVRA.

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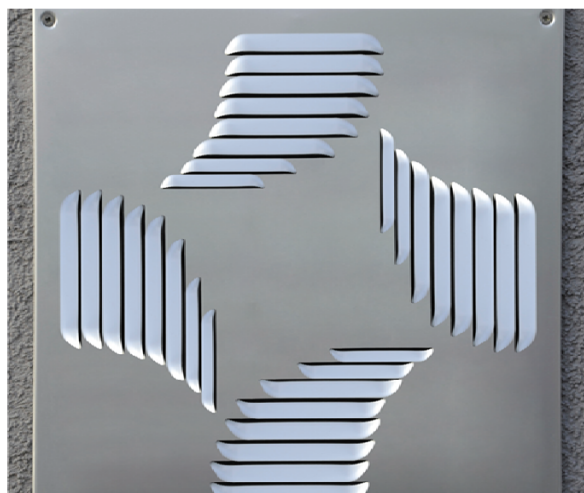
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Warwick Day by Josh Curtis

Warwick Day has been scheduled for Saturday, October 13 from 12pm to 4pm. This great community event is packed with food and fun for all ages...don't miss it.

For more info and a list of activities, visit <http://www.warwick-bucks.org/parks.htm>

Are You Ready to Vote? by Phyllis McCabe

November Elections:

Register to vote: October 9th, 2012 is the deadline

Absentee ballots: The last day to apply for a civilian absentee ballot is 5:00 PM on the Tuesday before the election (October 30, 2012)

Absentee ballots must be returned to the County Board of Elections Office by 5:00 PM on the Friday before the election - November 2, 2012. Note that POSTMARKS DO NOT APPLY.

If hand delivering, only the actual voter may return their ballot.

Questions? Call Board of Elections - 215-348-6154 or Voter Registration - 215-348-6163

