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## Welcome by Kathleen Mittura

Dear Mountain View Residents,

Thank you all for living here in Mountain View. Thank you for keeping your homes beautiful for all of us to enjoy.

Fall is the harvest season, when the spoils of the year's labor are gathered and plenty becomes visible for all to see before much of it is put away in preparation for the leaner months. This is why the horn of plenty and Thanksgiving are such central symbols of autumn.

Autumn symbolism is a natural dichotomy. It is both beautiful and sad. depending on how a person feels about winter, it may be the best time of year, containing as it does the beginning of the holidays with the joy of Halloween.

Mountain View social committee have events for you to participate in within the next few month that will help lift and lighten any low emotion you may experience. Please come join us. It is the love that you give out that comes back to you through your Presence. We enjoy seeing you.

## Extreme Games by Valerie Haenn

Despite the high temperatures, we had a great turn out of participants for this year's Extreme Games. 41 competitors ages 3-12 enjoyed ten events that tested agility and ability! We were especially glad to have four new MV families come and join us.

"The obstacle course was the most fun!" said Juliet Gulle.

Many thanks to our teen helpers – we couldn't have done this without you!



# MVRA Board Meeting - September 12, 2013

**Attendees:** Kathleen Mittura, Phyllis McCabe, Lynn McLaughlin, Jim Sleicher, Mike Riotta, Terry Porter, Diane Keener, Hillary Harris, Kathy Rogers, Rick Rentz, Rhian Huhn, Josh Curtis, Carol McShane

— Meeting was called to order by Kathleen Mittura at 8:07PM.—

**Welcome:** Kathleen thanked the McLaughlins for hosting.

## **Treasurer's Report** - approved

- \$30 membership deposit
- Insurance and Electric have been paid
- \$1644.57 balance

## **Newsletter** -

- Discussed possibility of printing more: min 4, max of 6. Discussed delaying Sep newsletter (for next year) to late Sep early Oct in lieu of extra newsletters
- Community service hours for delivery

## **Membership** -

- Visited 5 houses (2 Buckingham, 3 Jericho)

## **Social** -

- Looking for new Social Chair – January elections
- MVRA crawl postponed
- Halloween parade October 26th, Curtis Family hosting – Jericho Drive
- Social Meeting End of October
- Progressive Dinner - Nov 9th

## **Sunshine** -

- Cards have been sent to 3 residents
- Notified of other circumstances – cards will be sent

## **Health and Safety** -

- Resident questioned the change to deed restriction #15 – satellite/dish larger 20". Will request resident to attend a board meeting for discussion and clarification of the concern. Is it concern of the process or that the change was made at all
- 2 Residents sent letters with concerns regarding deed restrictions being violated. Response to be sent to resident explaining process.
- Process will be published in Newsletter and Website
- Swale issue at Buckingham & Monticello was resolved by neighbor cooperation and digging the swale

## **New Business** -

- Bucks County Country Club would like to advertise
- Mike Riotta - support of LLS (Leukemia Lymphoma society)
- October 19th – walk
- September 21st – Krispy Cream Donut sale
- Election Committee – needs to start ramping up

The meeting was adjourned at 9:34PM

The next MVRA meeting will be on Thursday, Oct10th @ 8pm (Rentz house, 2146 Chapman Circle).

# Welcome New Neighbors

by Terri Porter

Mountain View would like to welcome the Jones family to our neighborhood. Patric and Lori moved into 2199 Jericho Drive with their adorable children, Preston and Delaney and their two dogs, Oscar and Indy. Both are rescue dogs. Oscar is the cutest small Yorkie mix and Indy is a sweet chocolate lab!

The Jones Family moved to Mountain View from Forest Glenn. Their pursuit for a larger home within the Jamison Elementary School area brought them into our development.

Patric and Lori are both Penn State graduates. They met on a blind date! Today, Patric, an attorney, graduated cum laude from Widener University School of Law and is employed as Assistant General Counsel for the ACE Group, a large commercial insurance company. Lori completed her graduate work at Temple School of Pharmacy and is employed as a pharmacist at the CVS on Ferry Road.

Preston, 10, is an amazing athlete. He is involved in many sports: football, lacrosse, swimming, and baseball to name a few. He claims he enjoys his defensive position on the lacrosse team the best! When Preston is not busy with sports, he practices and plays the viola for the school orchestra. He is heading into the 5th grade this year and is looking forward to learning more math and history. He is an avid reader –currently finishing the Warrior Series!

Delaney, 8, is equally involved in all kinds of activities. She loves softball, basketball, swimming, cheerleading, and dancing! She is going to be a third grader this year and expresses her interest in learning to play the piano, guitar, and drums! Very ambitious! Like her brother, Preston, Delaney loves to read!

When the Jones Family is not busy attending all of their children's activities, they enjoy family vacations to places like Disney World and Cape May where Lori's parents reside.

The Jones Family is very excited to be part of the Mountain View community. They have joined our association and look forward to attending Mountain

View events. Please welcome them! They are listed in our directory!



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# HALLOWEEN

## Parade!



<b>Who</b>	All MVRA Member Residents (Non-Members & Guests are \$1.00 ea.)
<b>What</b>	We will parade around Jericho Dr. while “trick or treating” at a few special spots. Snacks and drinks will be provided afterwards.
<b>When</b>	October 26th at 4:00 p.m. (Rain/snow date is Oct. 27th at 2pm)
<b>Where</b>	2424 Jericho Drive (The Curtis’ House)

**NEW  
LOCATION**

\*\* The Warwick Fire truck will most likely be leading our parade again this year; please consider bringing a donation for their support.

Please RSVP to Mandy Curtis at 267-460-5030 or [acbteach@hotmail.com](mailto:acbteach@hotmail.com), by Oct. 19th ~ Please let us know who will be “trick or treating” & please bring your Halloween bags.

## Schedule of Events

- } Sep 3 - Warwick Board of Supervisors Meeting  
Time: 7pm-8pm  
Where: Main Meeting Room
- } Sep 9 - Warwick Planning Commission Meeting  
Time: 7:30pm-8:30pm  
Where: Main Meeting Room
- } Sep 12 - MVRA Meeting  
Time: 8pm  
Where: McLaughlin's  
2119 Buckingham Dr.
- } Sep 16 - Warwick Board of Supervisors Meeting  
Time: 7pm-8pm  
Where: Main Meeting Room

## SEPTEMBER 2013

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

## Schedule of Events

- } Oct 7 - Warwick Board of Supervisors Meeting  
Time: 7pm-8pm  
Where: Main Meeting Room
- } Oct 14 - Warwick Planning Commission Meeting  
Time: 7:30pm-8:30pm  
Where: Main Meeting Room
- } Oct 12 - MVRA Meeting  
Time: 8pm  
Where: T.B.D.
- } Oct 21 - Warwick Board of Supervisors Meeting  
Time: 7pm-8pm  
Where: Main Meeting Room
- } Oct 26 - MVRA Halloween Parade  
Time: 4pm  
Where: Curtis'  
2424 Jericho Dr.

## OCTOBER 2013

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

## Schedule of Events

- } Nov 4 - Warwick Board of Supervisors Meeting  
Time: 7pm-8pm  
Where: Main Meeting Room
- } Nov 9 - MVRA Progressive Dinner  
Time: 6:30pm  
Where: T.B.D.
- } Nov 11 - Warwick Planning Commission Meeting  
Time: 7:30pm-8:30pm  
Where: Main Meeting Room
- } Nov 14 - MVRA Meeting  
Time: 8pm  
Where: T.B.D.
- } Nov 18 - Warwick Board of Supervisors Meeting  
Time: 7pm-8pm  
Where: Main Meeting Room

## NOVEMBER 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4 <b>Warwick Board</b>	5	6	7	8	9 <b>Progressive Dinner</b>
10	11 <b>Warwick Planning</b>	12	13	14 <b>MVRA Meeting</b>	15	16
17	18 <b>Warwick Board</b>	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 <b>Thanks-giving</b>	29	30



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All dogs must be fully licensed and immunized.

Training course required + \$60 yearly fee.

<http://doylestowndogpark.com/>

<http://www.doylestownrec.org>

## Wine and Cheese

Hosted by: The WTRC  
Warwick Twp Republican Club

**Where:** Rushland Ridge Vineyard, 2665  
Rushland Rd., Jamison, PA 18929

**When:** October 6th 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Cost:** \$15 per person (\$25 for 2 tickets -  
Advanced sales only)

Come out and enjoy the afternoon, wine,  
refreshments & music. Meet local  
candidates who will be running for  
election in November.

For advanced ticket sales contact  
Caroline Galbreath  
[caroline731@comcast.net](mailto:caroline731@comcast.net)





# MVRA Progressive Dinner by Carla Tomlinson



**Date:** Saturday, November 9, 2012

**Time:** 6:30 p.m. – 4:00 a.m. ???

**RSVP:** October 21 (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 26 (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.**

# Conservation Corner

by Doug McCabe

TROUT UNLIMITED – “Conserving, protecting and restoring North America’s cold-water fisheries and their watersheds.”

Did you know that there was a local chapter of Trout Unlimited right here in Bucks County? It has been around for quite a long time.

One of the ongoing projects of the Chapter is Cooks Creek, located in the northern part of the County. Cooks Creek is the County’s largest cold-water watershed, home to a population of Class A brown trout, and the only population of native brook trout (the State Fish). There have been several bank restoration projects. At the end of 2012 and early 2013, the chapter made history by conducting the state’s first full watershed culvert survey. The survey was made possible by a TU Embrace-A-Stream grant and matching funds from the Chapter as well as the project partner, the Cooks Creek Watershed Association.

Princeton Hydo, the project consultant adapted culvert survey protocol developed by the Vermont Agency of Natural Resources. Volunteers from the Chapter and CCWA were trained on how to survey culverts identifying those impeding fish passage. A total of 97 culverts were surveyed throughout the watershed. Of the 97, 32 were identified as potential problems; of these, 11 were tagged as “high priority” for renovation. The 11 culverts were analyzed based on established criteria that included; water quality, presence of wild trout, length of stream that would be re-connected to the main branch, and possible spawning habitat. Two culverts, located on the same tributary, if renovated would re-connect 1.5 miles of high quality cold-water tributary to the main branch.

The next step is to investigate funding sources to implement the renovations. For additional information about the survey, conceptual design, photos and cost estimates can be found on the chapter website [www.buckstu.org](http://www.buckstu.org).

Look for the next issue when the Aquetong Watershed and Ingham Springs project will be highlighted.

# Extreme Game

by Valerie Haenn

(from page 1)

Jeffrey Albright did a fabulous job handling all the registrants and totaling up the score cards. Felicia and Gabby Gutierrez, Nick Doody, Theo Riotto, Erin Chioffe, Blair Bulsza, Madeline and Charlotte Engle, and Shannon McLaughlin each helped out by running an event.

The winners were:

Ages 3-5 Addison Murray & Evan Federsel

Ages 6-9 Ella Murray & Jordon Chui

Ages 10-12 Jasmine Chui & Harry McLaughlin



Everyone ate hot dogs and pretzels, drank lots of water and received a fun filled prize. Special thanks to the Palladino Family who provided the Giggleberry Fair passes!

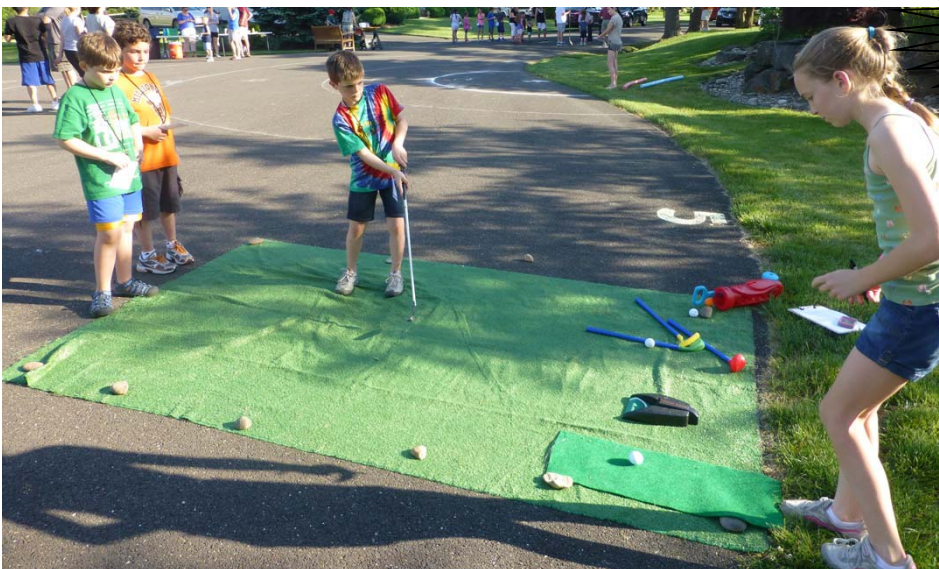
We thank the board for their funding and so many neighbors and parents who came to help!

Sincerely the Extreme Games committee for 2013

Valerie Haenn, Carol McShane, Christina Chui, Jen Hansel and Lynn McLaughlin



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more pictures at  
[www.mvrnews.com](http://www.mvrnews.com)





# Where Are They Now? by Joshua Curtis/Dana Schmidt

*An update on Dana Schmidt, daughter of Karl & Nancy (Inverness Circle)*

Dana Schmidt, daughter of Karl and Nancy, grew up on Iverness Circle right here in Mountain View. Dana has become a success as a Digital Marketing Manager for the



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Rocky Mountain PBS and recently won an Emmy for her hard work! Long before her Emmy, Dana took her first stab in public publication right here in Mountain View as the editor for Mountain Views while a senior in high school. Not all of her time was spent on her studies and the newsletter - Dana has fantastic memories of the block parties, the Halloween Parades, and her success in the donut eating competitions at the Labor Day picnics.

Dana graduated from CB South in 2005 and went on to NYU where she earned a Bachelor's in Communications in 2009.

After a few years at a translation company in New York and

Denver, Dana joined Rocky Mountain PBS as the Digital Marketing Manager. As Colorado's only statewide public television network, they aim to spark dialogue by providing a local lens for their viewers. "I love working in public broadcasting – with all of the 'reality TV' and highly commercialized programs on air these days, it's refreshing to work for a company that still believes in high-quality, objective reporting and trusted entertainment." Dana handles all of the social media, e-communications, website development and copywriting for her team. "It's a small shop, but it's a great group of passionate, enthusiastic people."

Dana recently relocated back to PA and is working remotely for the Rocky Mountain PBS. She lives in Center City, Phila, with her boyfriend and her cat.



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# Light the Night Walk by Michael Riotto

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Dear My Friends and Neighbors,

I am truly blessed that you have chosen to review my page and read my story...

Almost two short years ago I was diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma or MM for short. It was the beginning of life changing events. Through many chemo treatments, pills, ct scans, blood tests, & more, along with a stem cell transplant, I am very lucky to be in remission for the last 19 months. I am thankful.

You are all a TRUE inspiration to me! Many of you have given your support to me or my family in many ways, thru prayer, well wishes, rides, meals, you name it, you have all been there for me! And we are very THANKFULL for all you have done. Now, it is my turn to help thousands of other blood cancer patients and myself.

I have decided to support The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society or LLS for short. I have become an advocate for them in helping other blood cancer patients navigate the sometimes complicated and bewildering way thru cancer treatments and living with cancer. Also, as you will read further on, raising needed money for research thru **"The Light The Night Walk"** (that's the part that helps me) so that **'Someday could be Today'**. The Light the Night Walk is LLS's premier fundraising event. . Friends and families form fundraising teams and these efforts culminate in inspirational, memorable evening walks in over two hundred communities each fall across North America. I am walking in LLS's Light The Night Walk this October 19th!

Fundraising is so important for the LLS mission and to me. MM has no cure, but I am continually hoping that SOMEDAY IS TODAY for me and thousands of other Blood cancer patients. A huge portion of the monies raised goes for research to find a cure for MM and all blood cancers. Your support is vital in this fight for a cure to make "SOMEDAY IS TODAY. " You can support my cause in either of two ways; both go directly to support LLS.

You may go to the LLS web site thru the following link to our TEAM page and make a direct contribution <http://pages.lightthenight.org/epa/BucksCo13/MMSluggers>

Or, you can receive a treat for yourself and support LLS...thru our Krispy Kreme Donut Sale!

All proceeds from the donut sale go toward our Light the Night Walk Team fund  
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Donuts are available in 5 Varieties: Original glazed, Chocolate Iced, Lemon filled, raspberry Filled or Kreme Filled, or Assorted

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and drop off to Michael Riotto, 2005 Sturbridge Drive, Mountain View. No later then Wednesday, September 18th


Donuts will be available Saturday, September 21st. mid morning.

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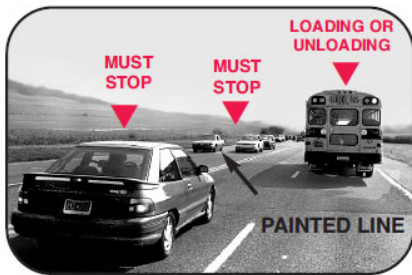
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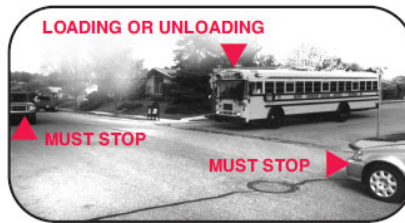
# School Is Back...Are You Stopping? by Josh Curtis

The big yellow busses are back! Are you aware of Pennsylvania's School Bus Stopping Law? If not, you should be...and you should also revisit the rules with your seemingly innocent teenage child who never lies or disobeys traffic laws when they are running late for school in the morning! Aside from the obvious dangers of not obeying these laws, the fines are extremely steep!

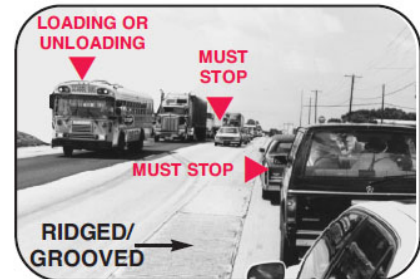
1. When you meet or overtake a stopped school bus with red signal lights flashing and stop arm extended, you **MUST STOP**.
2. When you approach an intersection where a school bus is stopped with red signal lights flashing and stop arm extended, you **MUST STOP**.
3. You **MUST STOP** at least ten (10) feet away from the school bus.
4. You **MUST WAIT** until the red lights have stopped flashing and the stop arm has been withdrawn before moving.
5. **DO NOT MOVE** until all the children have reached a place of safety.



You **MUST STOP** on roadways with painted lines.



You **MUST STOP** at an intersection, whether it is or is not marked with a stop sign. All traffic **MUST** stop.



You **MUST STOP** on roadways with ridged/grooved dividers.



## PENALTIES



If you are convicted of violating Pennsylvania's School Bus Stopping Law, you will receive all of the following penalties:

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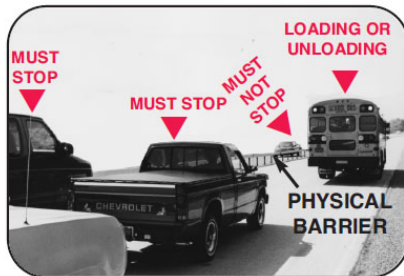
**Five (5) points on your record**

**\$250 Fine**

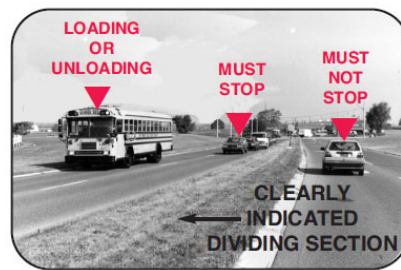


### SEPARATE ROADWAYS

Drivers do not have to stop on a highway with clearly defined dividing sections or physical barriers providing separate roadways. This only applies when the school bus is on the opposite side of the road. *If in Doubt, STOP!*



Physical barriers include concrete median barriers, metal median barriers, guide rails, etc.

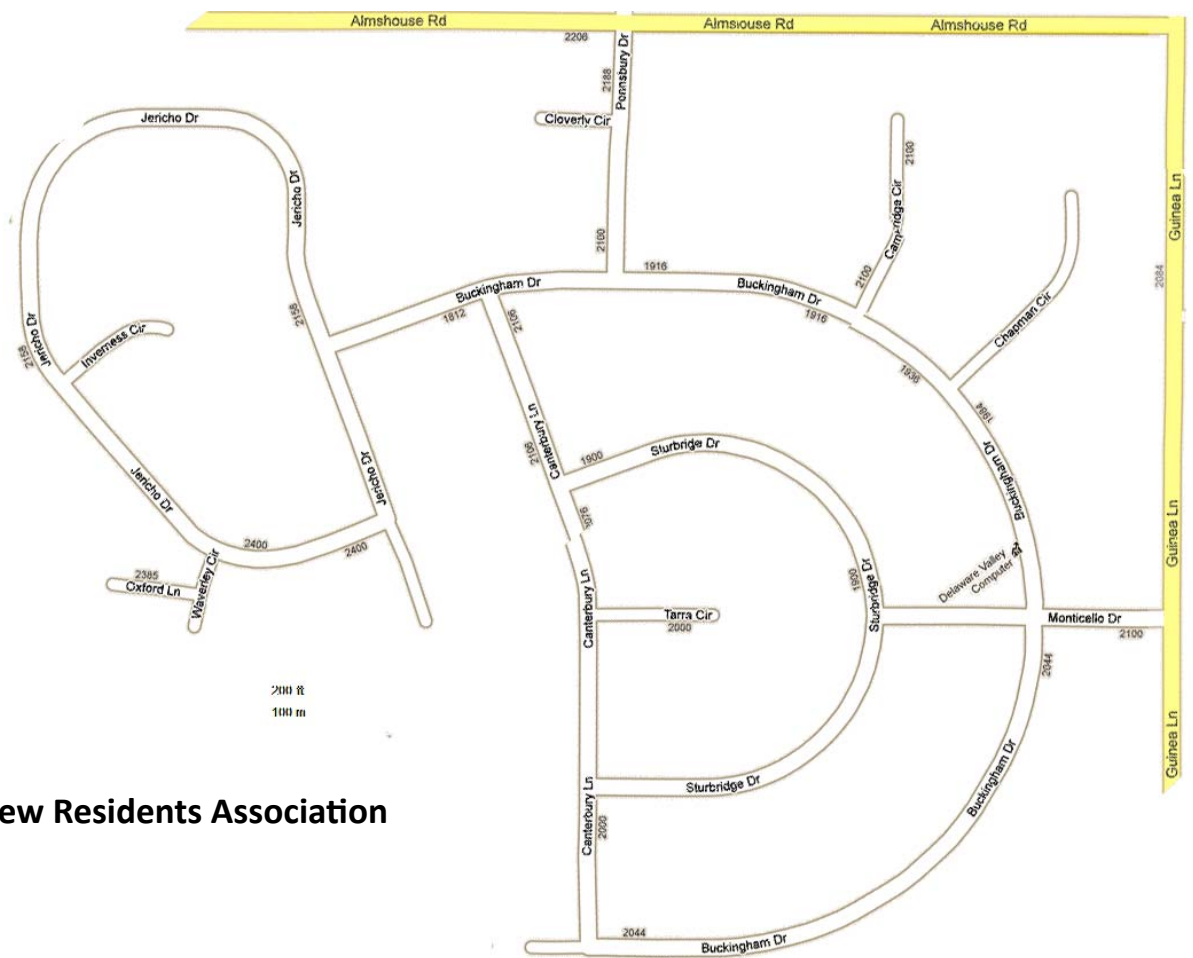


Clearly indicated dividing sections include trees or shrubs, rocks or boulders, a stream, grass, etc.





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