



The Docket



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The Gables annual HOA members meeting was held as announced at The Stained Glass Pub in Elkridge with a successful turnout of 21 members. Please view the minutes from the meeting posted on our website under the Gables HOA tab to read about our meeting.

The 2016 final financial report and 2017 budget can also be found on our website under the Gables HOA Financial tab.

Thanks to all who attended the social and meeting!!!

Thank You Board Members and Welcome New Board Member, Zac Zentz!!!

Board Members named:

President- Brenda Schweiger
Vice President- Hans Phillips
Treasurer- Bev Serrano
Secretary- Angela Shiplet
Member at Large (1) John Bassolino
Member at Large (2) Kelsey Gregg
Member at Large (3) Zac Zentz



Welcome New Architectural Committee Members:

Jay Cook- Committee Chair
Erik Gregg
Mark Shiplet

Important Email & Facebook Addresses

Webmaster- webmasters@thegablesinfo.com
HOA Board - gablesboard@thegablesinfo.com
ArchComm- archcomm@thegablesinfo.com
|The Gables at Lawyers Hill (Facebook)

Thank You Continuing Members:

Kathy McCrory
Barb Otten
Bonny Smajda
Brenda Schweiger (Just helping out)



Spring Egg Hunt

The community would like to have a Spring egg hunt this year for the kids. We ask that interested neighbors donate some filled plastic eggs to hide in a designated area in our community. Anyone interested should contact the Board at gablesboard@thegablesinfo.com
Date TBD



Architectural News



Many thanks to our Arch committee Chair, Barb Otten and team 2016 Kristy Mumma, Kathy McCrory, Bonny Smajda and Brenda Schweiger for their help in keeping our community looking beautiful!!!



We are excited to announce three new ArchComm members: Welcome Jay Cook (Chair), Erik Gregg and Mark Shiplet

Annual Inspections



We will be sending out the inspection notices to the community by the end of February 2017. All members that were in violation will receive an email from the Architectural Committee citing what was noticed. If you are notified, the Architectural committee will expect your attention to the items we found. If you have any questions you can email the Architectural committee at: ArchComm@TheGablesInfo.com

Arch Alteration Application Form

If you are going to do **any** improvements to the exterior of your home, you are required to complete the Arch Alteration form that is located on our website at thegablesinfo.com under the tab "forms" and return it to the Architectural Committee for review. A full description is needed and, requires two (2) adjoining neighbors' signatures.

This requirement maintains our community standards and values. Thank you to all the homeowners who have followed the procedure in the past. Should you have any questions, please send an email to the Arch committee at ArchComm@thegablesinfo.com

Tree Trimming Project



Our community tree trimming project is under way. Thanks to the neighbors who signed up. Weather permitting we hope to have this project completed by mid February.

Architectural News (continued)

Trash Day



Some of our neighbors have noticed that not everyone uses trashcans when they put their garbage out to be collected, leaving the plastic bags on the ground. Not only does this make our neighborhood look bad, but it can lead to wild animals getting into the trash, or trash being spread all over due to wind. Howard County's website even goes as far to say that some communities require this if they've had rodent infestations in the past. Please use reusable trash containers to put out your trash every week.

Pet Waste



There has also been an increase in the amount of pet feces left on our common grounds. This isn't just disgusting, it's unfair to the children in our neighborhood who might step in it going to school. Let's keep our neighborhood clean - it's easy to do for any size pet. Please be respectful of others!!!



Dear GABLES Homeowner,

This is your notice of the 2017 Annual Assessment for The GABLES.

(Please refer to Section 3 of the G.A.L.H. Articles of Incorporation, and Section 6 of the Declaration of Covenants.)

The GABLES' Annual Assessment for 2017 is \$365.

Your Annual Assessment payment is due February 28, 2017. However, consistent with 2016 assessment

- an early-payment discount of \$25 (net \$340) applies to dues that are paid before the end of January;
- the full amount of \$365 is due for payments made after Jan. 31st but before Feb. 28th; and
- as provided for under the Declaration of Covenants, a \$20 late fee penalty is assessed along with additional fees (calculated as monthly increments of a 20%-per-year interest charge) on all payments made after February 28th.

The detailed payment timetable for 2017 dues is as follows:

IF YOU PAY YOUR DUES BY THIS DATE	YOUR PAYMENT AMOUNT IS
January 31, 2017	\$ 340
February 28, 2017	\$ 365
March 31, 2017	\$ 390
April 30, 2017	\$ 395
May 31, 2017	\$ 400
June 30, 2017	\$ 405
July 31, 2017	\$ 410

Please note that \$5 per month interest will continue to accrue until payment is made. These dues are not covered by your mortgage escrow, and are directly payable by you.

When paying your Annual Assessment, please

✓ **Make your check payable to:**

The Gables At Lawyers' Hill Association, Inc.

✓ **Mail your payment to:**

G.A.L.H. Association, Inc.

Attn: Treasurer

P.O. Box 8023

Elkridge, MD 21075-8023

Thank you for your prompt payment. A remittance form is enclosed on Page 2 for your convenience. All future payment reminders will be sent to you via e-mail. If you have a new email, please let us know. Any questions or concerns may be directed to The GABLES Board by e-mail at gablesboard@thegablesinfo.com.

Regards, and Best Wishes for a Happy New Year!

Beverly Serrano,

Treasurer, G.A.L.H. Association, Inc.

Slow Cooker Chili

“The slow cooker is a great way to make chili. This beefy chili is packed with beans, veggies, and spice.”

Ingredients

1 pound ground beef
3/4 cup diced onion
3/4 cup diced celery
3/4 cup diced green bell pepper
2 cloves garlic, minced
2 (10.75 ounce) cans tomato puree
1 (15 ounce) can kidney beans with liquid
1 (15 ounce) can kidney beans, drained
1 (15 ounce) can cannellini beans with liquid
1/2 tablespoon chili powder
1/2 teaspoon dried parsley
1 teaspoon salt
3/4 teaspoon dried basil
3/4 teaspoon dried oregano
1/4 teaspoon ground black pepper
1/8 teaspoon hot pepper sauce



Directions

Place the beef in a skillet over medium heat, and cook until evenly brown. Drain grease. Place the beef in a slow cooker, and mix in onion, celery, green bell pepper, garlic, tomato puree, kidney beans, and cannellini beans. Season with chili powder, parsley, salt, basil, oregano, black pepper, and hot pepper sauce. Cover, and cook 8 hours on Low.