



# HABITAT ONE

# November 2007

Community Newsletter for Habitat 1, Section A Condominiums

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## Board Members

President:	Jennifer Bechtel
Vice President:	Larry Thomasson
Secretary:	Dara Dillree
Treasurer:	Patrick Schmitt
Other Members:	John Pauley Ken Bechtel Andre Gariepy

## Annual Meeting

Our annual meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 24, 2008 at the Anne Arundel County Public Library, Crofton Branch located at 1681 Riedel Road at 7:00 p.m. All homeowners are invited to participate in this meeting, as you are for every Board of Directors meeting throughout the year. If you are a homeowner who cannot attend, you can complete and sign the proxy form which is included in this mailing and give it to a neighbor who is planning to attend.

## Habitat Website

A website is being developed for Habitat 1, Section A. The website is in the early construction stage, but when finished is sure to be an asset for members of our community. If you have any suggestions for the website, please bring them up at the next Board of Directors meeting or leave a message on the Habitat Community Listserv. Thank you Patrick for your work on the website! Our web address is:  
<http://www.geocities.com/habitat1a/>



## Important Phone Numbers: (410)

AA County Police: 222-8050  
 Fire Dept: 987-4010  
 Bulk Trash: 222-6104  
 Trash Collection: 222-6100  
 BG&E Power Outage Number: 1-877-778-2222  
 BG&E: 224-3000  
 Animal Control: 222-8900  
 Poison Control: 800-492-2414  
 Weather: 662-9225

## Inclement Weather

Our community has a seasonal contract for snow removal with CS Lawn. The snow removal crew will only come to the property after three inches of snow has been reported by the National Weather Service.

Also, please be mindful of the salts you use for snow removal, some will erode concrete while others are safe to use on concrete. If you have any particular areas of concern, please contact Heather at Brodie Management. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Parking Regulations

The parking regulations for Habitat 1, Section A are in full effect. Please make certain that when your vehicle is parked anywhere on the Habitat property (other than directly behind your own garage) you are displaying the new red parking permit. There will be no reimbursements related to towing under any circumstances. If you have not applied for a parking permit, please fax or mail your application to Heather at Brodie Management.

If you are expecting a delivery or having work done at your unit and you would like to make sure the contractor is not towed, please contact Heather at Brodie Management for a temporary one-day parking pass. If you are behind in your condo fees, your parking permit can, and will be revoked. If you have expired tags or a similar violation, your car will be towed, even if it is parked behind your garage.

## BRODIE MANAGEMENT INC.

134 Holiday Court, Suite 308  
 Annapolis, MD 21401  
 Phone: 410-571-1400  
 Toll Free: 1-800-314-1244  
 Emergency Number: 410-377-1605

Heather Gummel, Property Manager



The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 28 at 7:00 pm Anne Arundel County Library, Crofton Branch.

## Collections

The Board of Directors with the assistance of our management company is being very diligent in collecting past due association dues. Please note that if your association dues have gone to collections for being two months past due, our attorney has set instructions to file for foreclosure with the court.

## Meeting Dates

Below are the meeting dates for the remainder of 2007 and 2008. All of the meetings are conducted at the Anne Arundel County Library, Crofton Branch on Reidel Road. All homeowners are encouraged to attend. Rather than complain; why not help make a change!

Please note that the December 2007 meeting has been cancelled due to the hectic schedule that the holiday season brings.

Wednesday, November 28, 2007  
Thursday, January 24, 2008  
Thursday, February 28, 2008  
Thursday, March 27, 2008  
Wednesday, April 23, 2008  
Thursday, May 29, 2008  
June date to be announced  
July date to be announced  
Thursday, August 28, 2008  
Thursday, September 25, 2008  
Wednesday, October 22, 2008  
Tuesday, November 25, 2008  
Wednesday, December 17, 2008

## Garage Doors

The garage door replacement project is continuing. Remember, if you would like a garage door opener installed, you must let the garage door company know when they come to measure. A garage door opener must be paid for by the homeowner directly to the garage door company. Brodie nor the Board are involved with the garage door openers. If your quad is not on the garage door list, you can have it added at our monthly meeting or by calling Heather at Brodie Management.

## Neighborhood Activity

Remember if you see any suspicious activity in the neighborhood, please call the Anne Arundel County Police at (410) 222-8050.

## Window Project

We are continuing with our window replacement project. Remember if new windows are being installed in your unit it is your responsibility to remove the window treatments and move any furniture or other objects that may obstruct the installation process. Homeowners continue to express their satisfaction with the new windows. If you are not on the window replacement list, you can have your name added at our monthly meeting or by calling Heather at Brodie Management.

## September Expenditures

Insurance - \$1,616.41  
Electric - \$618.96  
Water - \$7,039.57  
Landscaping - \$3,075.00  
Windows - \$14,364.00  
Building Maintenance - \$3,223.00  
Mgt. Fees - \$2,840.43  
Legal Expenses - \$1,000.00

## Trash Trash Trash

Please be considerate about your trash. Regular trash pick-up is for household garbage only. Trash will be picked up on Monday and Thursday mornings. Recycling and yard waste will be picked up on Thursday mornings only. For pick-up of large items, please schedule with bulk trash at 410-222-6104 or take your large items to the county dump which is free of charge to use. Please do not place large items out in front of your units. It is unsightly and against the community rules.

## Dogs and Other Pets

If you walk a dog or other pet in the neighborhood, please make sure that the animal is on a leash. Also, please be considerate and clean up your pet's waste.

## General Maintenance

Please remember that general maintenance of your unit is a homeowner responsibility. For example, you could make sure that the mulch is 3 inches away from the unit, even if you did not put it there, or if you see a loose piece of siding, you could push it back in place. Taking these actions will save us money and keep our community looking nice.

If you need a piece of hardware for your unit and are having difficulty finding it, Hardware City in Bowie specializes in parts for homes that were built by our builder.

## Habitat Community Listserv

A Habitat Community Listserv has been established. The purpose of this Listserv is to foster communication and keep friends, residents and Owners up-to-date on issues and events of interest to the Habitat I Section A Community.

To subscribe, send an e-mail to: [habitat1asubscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:habitat1asubscribe@yahoogroups.com). Please check it out and join.

**The next Board of Directors' meetings will be on Wednesday, November 28, 2007 at the Anne Arundel County Library, Crofton Branch, 1681 Riedel Road. All owners are welcome to attend.**