

President's Message

Let me introduce myself, Jeffrey Salter, the new President of DPCA. First I would like to thank those who attended the Annual Meeting. I am aiming to be able to send out information each month as to what is happening in Devaun Park over and above what is in the Newsletter and the Board Minutes. The Board has moved up their meetings to the 2nd Monday of each month but still starting at the same time, 3:00 pm. At the beginning of each month's meeting, the first 15 minutes is reserved for any community member to bring up questions or suggestions to the Board. I would encourage you to take advantage of this time and not wait until the Annual Meeting so any problems can be addressed throughout the year. We will continue to have open board meetings throughout the year. This year they will be held in March, June, and September, with the annual meeting in November.

The problem of coyotes came up during the Annual meeting. I contacted the Brunswick County Animal Services (910-754-8204) and was told to contact the State Wildlife Commission. I was advised by them that it is always open season on coyotes and we could shoot them or trap them, but they could not help with our problem. However, there have been a number of occasions in our community where raccoons have had to be removed from a resident's property. If you see a raccoon in your yard and it doesn't run away from you, call the number above and Animal Services will come and take it away. Please do not try to remove it yourself!

Last year the Board purchased a gas power washer. If anyone would like to use it, please contact either Cathy or Tony Scavo. You have to supply your garden hose and we ask that you replace the gas you use. It is great for cleaning your sidewalk, and the green slime that has been building up because of all the rain.

I would like to thank the Beautification Committee for decorating the Club House and hanging wreaths at the entrances. It all looks very festive. Further, I would like to thank the Evanoff's for stringing the lights in the Devaun Lake gazebo, the Barone's for putting up the lights on the Whisper Park gazebo, and the Smith's, Barone's and Debbie Lamb for putting up the lights on the Hutton Heights gazebo.

I hope that everyone has a wonderful and safe holiday season.

Jeffrey