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Election of BPHOA Board of Directors

Well, it's already that time of year again when we have to put the wheels in motion for the upcoming election of the 2008 Board of Directors. Although our big Annual Homeowners Meeting and Election is not until January, 2008, procedures and time requirements set forth in the Davis-Stirling Act require that we get the ball rolling now.

As you may recall from last year, the then current Board established a system of secret balloting to comply with the new requirements under the Davis-Stirling Act. The major components of the requirements include:

1. Establishing Election Rules
2. Distributing nomination forms allowing self-nomination
3. Selecting an Inspector of Elections
4. Mailing of secret ballots to all members
5. Holding an open meeting where ballots are to be counted

The Election Rules that were established and approved last year remain in effect. In the event of any legislative changes that may have taken place within the past year, your Board took the extra precaution of having the Election Rules reviewed by legal counsel. Legal counsel advised us that our current rules still satisfy both our governing documents and the Davis- Stirling Act.

For your convenience and reference, the Board posted the following on our website in the **Docs, Maps, & Info** section:

- Election Rules
- Self Nomination Form

The BPHOA website address is <http://www.bp-hoa.org/>. If you do not have internet access, you may contact O'Neill Associates or a Board Member to obtain a copy.

Important!

We included **Self-Nomination Form** in this mailing. If you would like to run for the Board in the upcoming election in 2008, please read the instructions, fill out, and return the nomination form. The Association office must receive the form by the **5 P.M. December 3, 2007 deadline**.

Selecting an Inspector of Elections, mailing of Secret Ballots, and announcing the Annual Meeting will all occur after the abovementioned close of nominations.

So, please take a few minutes to review and re-familiarize yourself with the election rules. Your Board welcomes your comments and questions. Feel free to call any of us if you need clarification on any items.

Best wishes for a Happy Thanksgiving and the Holiday Season that follows.

Your Board of Directors,

Eric Allen, Ken Nies, Jim Pantaleo, Russ Pungrchar, Juli Weltsch

Land of Wind and Fire

The recent 90+ MPH windstorm caused damage to many of the split-rail fences throughout Bridle Path. Now would be a good time for homeowners to take stock of the damage and repair their split-rail fences.

Trees in the parkways (the strip of grass and trees between the bridlepath and the street) are the responsibility of the each homeowner in front of whose home the trees reside. Homeowners need to dispose of their own trees' broken branches and replace trees that the storm destroyed. See the list of BPHOA approved trees on our web site under the **Docs, Maps, & Info** section (or use this tinyurl <http://tinyurl.com/2qouwn>). As long as you have the guys with chainsaws out there, have them trim any overgrown brush and trees and have them remove low hanging branches.

The winds also left considerable debris strewn throughout Bridle Path. Please make sure the drains and culverts for which you are responsible are clean and functional.

Do Not Park on the Bridlepath

Do not park any vehicle across the bridlepath. Homeowners: Call Simi Valley Police Department and report vehicles parked on the bridlepath.

Events Committee News

Giant Tack and Arts and Crafts Sale a SUCCESS! -- We had over 24 vendors (everything from great art and photography to show clothes, tack, and even license plate holders and pet id tags made on-site!). Everyone I spoke with had a successful day! Vendors sold almost \$100 in cards, one sold over \$500 in saddles and the H.E.L.P. organization raised \$200 for their riding program!

Thanks to all who came down and volunteered for the event...**BIG THANKS** goes to Nancy Reeves for coming down at the crack of dawn to open gates...*et cetera*.

Anyone looking to help next year, or participate in the vendor section let me know, I am compiling a list for next year now! I also welcome all suggestions. Remember we are always looking for help on the Committee!!

Lee Murray, Co-Chair Events Committee

Instructors and Trainers of Equine Arts

Before **any** instructor or trainer can practice their trade on BPHOA property, they must submit documentation to the Board containing evidence of insurance with at least \$1 million liability, and that the policy names the BPHOA as an insured party.

BPHOA Board of Directors' Meetings

- The next meeting happens between **7:00 PM - 10:00 PM on Monday, Nov. 19.**
- Board Meetings occur on the **3rd Monday of every month at 7:00 PM.**
- We give thanks to **Coco's Bakery Restaurant** for generously allowing us to use their facility one Monday evening a month, free of charge.

Useful BPHOA Phone Numbers

Jim Pantaleo - President; landscaping, bridlepath	522-0613
Eric Allen - Vice President; newsletter, website	582-2152
Ken Nies - Treasurer; Architecture Committee Chair	527-0124
Juli Weltsch - Secretary; Mountain Park Chair	823-3099
Russ Pungchar, Assistant Secretary; CC&R Chair	583-2954
O'Neill Associates, Bookkeeping	522-0292
Simi Valley Code Enforcement	583-6753