

April 2011 Newsletter

Announcing 2011 Shanahan 4 Board of Directors

Shanahan Ridge 4 has two new members on the Board of Directors: Melanie Russ and Bruce Hoffman. The 2011 officers on the board are:

President: **John Gress**
Vice-Presidents: **Bruce Hoffmann**

Treasurer: **Katherine Velasco**
Secretary: **Melanie Russ**

Please offer a sincere thanks to our outgoing board member, **Carolyn Kohler**, Past-Secretary, for her generous volunteer service. Andrew Ogden and Jim Wyss remain on the board in the capacity of directors. Thank you!

You can contact the new board with your ideas and questions at: president@shanahanridge4.org.

2011 Open Space Clean-Up Day!

Once a year we get together to remove winter debris from our wonderful open space. This year's clean-up day will be **Saturday, May 14 at 9:00 am**, or a rain date of **Sunday, May 15**. If you have an hour or two to spare, please bring your gloves and enthusiasm to the central parking island. We'll provide trash bags and direction. See you then!

2011 Annual Dues

A reminder that our HOA dues of \$290 are due by 6/30; you can leave your payment at 3700 SPL. Please pay promptly as late fees are now assessed. If you have any special circumstances or hardships that will prevent you from paying your dues on time, please notify any Board member and they will work with you on billing arrangements.

New Landscaping Company

We have hired a new landscaping company, Ecological. Thank you, Merilee, for making that happen! Many of you may have already seen them around as they have started clearing the winter debris from the parking islands. If you have any requests or concerns about their service, please let us know.

Need Help??

We have many able teens in our neighborhood who can work small jobs. If you need animal sitting, babysitting, lawn mowing, house sitting while you are away, lifting, etc., please contact Katherine (Treasurer) and she will provide you with the names of available teens.

Annual Summer Block Party

Our annual Summer Block Party is planned for **August 28th** this year, so save the date. If anyone wants to volunteer to help coordinate the festivities, please email the board.

Thinking about joining a CSA to get your weekly farmer's market produce?

A CSA is Community Supported Agriculture. Through a CSA, you get a seasonal share in a local farm. The Black Cat Farm is offering weekly deliveries of fresh produce to Shanahan Ridge if we get at least 5 homes to sign up. And if we can get 10 homes to sign up, we all get a 10% discount. (We already have several signed up.) The CSA shares range from \$395 - \$735 for 20 weeks. Shares are selling fast, and the deadline for this offer is May 10. More info about the CSA is on the Black Cat Farm website. You won't find this deal on the website, though. To sign up, email Leah at lbiber@gmail.com or call her at 773-655-8182, and tell her you want to get in on the Shanahan Ridge deal. This offer was organized by Shanahan Neighbors for Climate Action. (And yes, this is the same Black Cat as the restaurant on 13th St, so you'll also get great weekly recipes!)

Remember, you can always get information, including a copy of our HOA policies and past newsletters from our website: <http://www.shanahanridge4.org/>