

BROOKSTONE....FROM THE INSIDE

NEW BOARD MEETING SCHEDULE

The Board continues to meet monthly, but, due to time constraints, meetings are open to homeowners on a quarterly basis. Board meeting dates for the remainder of the year are:

March 27 – OPEN	August 28
April 24	September 25 - OPEN
May 22	October 23
June 26 – OPEN	November 20 (Thanksgiving on the 27 th)
July 24	December 18 – OPEN

Meetings begin at 6:30 p.m. and are held in the library in the Clubhouse. Minutes of the meetings are posted on the bulletin board in the clubhouse after they have been approved at the following month's meeting. If you have a special concern that cannot wait for an Open meeting, please call the Management office and ask to be put on the Agenda.

POOL OPENS MEMORIAL WEEKEND!

The Brookstone pool will open for weekends only from 11:00 AM to 7:00 PM beginning May 24, 2008, and will open daily 12 noon to 8 PM (weekends 11 – 7) beginning June 16, 2008. As always, entrance to the pool is through the clubhouse, so you will need an access card. Call the Management office if you need a card to obtain an application and waiver of liability form.

PARKING RULES

Over the past year we have received numerous complaints about residents parking improperly at Brookstone. All parking must be in a garage, driveway (only one vehicle per driveway) or lined parking space. Residents who park improperly often do so at the inconvenience of neighbors who have difficulty getting in or out of their garage. Improper parking is unsafe and inconsiderate. Residents will receive one warning letter, after which fines will be assessed for continued violations.

**PLEASE REMEMBER.....THE BROOKSTONE RULES ALLOW ONLY
ONE DOG PER HOUSEHOLD!
PLEASE CURB YOUR DOG AND BAG THE POO!
YOUR NEIGHBORS WILL THANK YOU**

RECYCLE BANK UPDATE

Recently, several homeowners have inquired as to the whereabouts of their Recycle Bank rebates. THIS IS NOT AUTOMATIC! You will need to register with www.RecycleBank.com, or call them at 1-888-727-2978. Call or go on-line TODAY! You may have already earned valuable coupons and discounts at some of your favorite stores. [Grandparents take note: Recycle Bank coupons are a great gift for the grandkids! Consider tucking one or more into the next special occasion card.]

DRYER VENT EXHAUST HOSES – Dryers in many townhouses and condominiums were installed using a white vinyl hose connection behind the dryer. Most dryer manufacturers and local codes no longer accept these vinyl vents for use. If the dryer was to overheat or the lint in the vent catch fire, this vinyl hose would melt or catch fire. Current codes and manufacturer's instructions call for installation with a flexible aluminum connector behind the dryer that is securely clamped to the dryer and the vent. If you find that you still have the white vinyl vent hose, have a contractor or handyman replace it with the flexible aluminum vent hose.

NOTE: If you have not had your dryer vent cleaned you should consider doing so. Depending upon the length of the dryer vent and how many turns it makes before it exits the building, lint can build up over time and can create a potential fire hazard. Most chimney sweeps can perform this service. You can also call BJ Meier at 215-493-8085 or Jet Stream at 215-4572-6118.

NEW WINDOWS? NEW STORM DOOR? PLEASE JUST ASK.....

Homeowners who wish to replace their windows, install or replace a storm/screen door, or replace their old wood garage door with a new, insulated aluminum door (highly recommended, both for aesthetics and energy efficiency) are required to fill out an Architectural Request Form that can be easily obtained by calling the Management office. Replacements MUST look identical to the original installation. Storm/Screen doors that are approved for Brookstone are the Full-Lite models. Always obtain a Certificate of Insurance from your contractor PRIOR to installation.