NEWSLETTER

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Quarterly Triumphs!

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We're thrilled to share the exciting accomplishments of Q1 2024 with you:

First and foremost, our community saw a significant milestone with the successful voting and passing of our updated bylaws. This achievement not only reflects our commitment to progress but also ensures that our neighborhood remains governed by regulations that align with our evolving needs and values.

Additionally, we're delighted to announce the success of our board elections. Please take a moment to view the organizational chart to meet our newly elected executive board members. Their dedication to our community promises a bright future ahead, and we are grateful for their willingness to serve in these vital roles.

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As we celebrate these triumphs, we also extend our heartfelt gratitude to our outgoing president, Tim Stacey. Tim's steadfast leadership over the past decade has heen instrumental in guiding our community through growth and change. We thank him for his commitment to making our neighborhood a better place.

Let's continue to build on the achievements of Q1 2024 and work together to create an even stronger and more vibrant community. Neighborhood Association News

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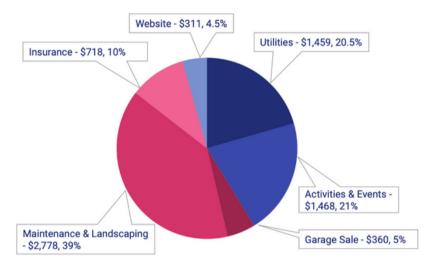
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Charting Our Course: Financial Insights from 2023 and Plans for 2024

2023 Breakdown of Expenditures:



Total 2023 Budget: \$7,093

*Website fee increased to aligns costs with fiscal year they are incurred rather than calendar year (FY 2023 budget includes 2 years of website fees).

Budget Analysis

We are pleased to provide you with a detailed analysis of our financial performance and budget for 2023.

In 2023, our budget was allocated across various categories to serve the needs of our residents. The total 2023 Budget was \$7,419.

We remain committed to transparency and fiscal responsibility, ensuring that every dollar is used effectively to enhance our community.

Building Blocks

As we move forward into 2024, we have carefully reviewed our past performance and considered the evolving needs of our community.

With this in mind, we present the proposed budget for 2024:

Dollars and Sense

Category	Total
Utilities	\$1,700
Activities & Events	\$1,525
Garage Sale	\$225
Landscaping & Maintenance	\$2,225
Membership	\$820
Website	\$155
Insurance & Legal Fees	\$1,350
2024 Approved Budget	\$8,000

This proposed budget reflects our continued commitment to maintaining essential services, organizing engaging events, and preserving the beauty of our surroundings. Your feedback and input are invaluable as we strive to make informed decisions for the benefit of all residents.

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CURRENT MAINTENANCE GOALS

With the changing weather, it's time to embark on our journey towards maintaining the beauty and functionality of our beloved community. With this in mind, the Liberty Hill Neighborhood Assoc. is excited to present our current and future maintenance goals.



Historically, the Neighborhood Assoc. has maintained the Park, Open-Access lot on Cheshire, and 3x Cul-De-Sacs. Thank you to all of the neighbors who have helped in these efforts!



The City of Solon has maintained the drainage culvert area, sledding hill, and the entrance on SOM Center Road.



The City of Solon has agreed to continue this maintenance in 2024 and we are currently finalizing long term plans as part of the new Lease Agreement.



FUTURE MAINTENANCE GOALS

Looking ahead, we'll be exploring opportunities for community engagement, encouraging residents to participate in beautification projects and neighborhood clean-up efforts.

Our Neighborhood Assoc. is committed to further enhancing the upkeep of our neighborhood. To this end, we have recently invested in a commercialgrade mower, which will enable a network of volunteers to efficiently maintain our green spaces with precision and care.

Moreover, we are excited to expand our network of volunteers to share in the responsibility of maintenance tasks. By pooling our resources and efforts, we can alleviate expenses and allocate funds toward additional improvements and engaging Neighborhood Assoc. activities that benefit our entire community.

Together, we are building a stronger, more vibrant neighborhood where every resident can take pride in their surroundings.

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Call for Cul-de-Sac Heroes!

Speed Limit Reminder

With more people enjoying the outdoors during the summer, we kindly remind all residents to adhere to the posted speed limits within our community. Let's prioritize safety for pedestrians and children.

Grassroots Initiatives for a Greener Tomorrow

As a vibrant community, we take pride in maintaining the beauty of our neighborhood. One of the areas that could use some extra care is the grassy portion of the cul-de-sac by each of our homes.

We are reaching out to our wonderful Neighborhood Assoc. members living on or near cul-de-sacs to kindly consider dedicating some of their time and effort to mow the grassy area near their homes. Your contribution will not only enhance the aesthetics of our neighborhood but also foster a sense of community pride and cooperation.

If you are willing to lend a hand by offering to mow the cul-desac portion by your home, please let us know. Your generosity and commitment to our community are greatly appreciated.

Together, we can continue to make our neighborhood a beautiful place to live!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Get ready for an exciting quarter ahead! Mark your calendars for a series of engaging events designed to bring our community together. From bike rides to fun-filled block parties, there's something for everyone to enjoy. Stay tuned for more details on dates, times, and how you can get involved. Don't forget to check out our Facebook group and website for event updates and additional information. Let's make this quarter one to remember!

- May 16th Walking Club Outing
- May 30 Summer Kickoff
- June & July Thursday Playground Playdates @5pm
- June 6 Safety Vehicles will be at the Park
- June 8 Movie Night in the Park
- June 14 Book Club Meeting
- June 15 Adults Only Appetizer Hour in the Park
- June 21-June 23 Garage Sale (Registration Required)
- July 4 Bike Ride
- July 20 Camp Out in the Park

MEMBER OF THE QUARTER SPOTLIGHT



MELVIN & DOT LITTLEJOHN

Meet Our Culinary Gems: Adding Flavor to Our Community

Meet the Littlejohns, the culinary genius behind our neighborhood's most delicious treats and meals. From last summer's unforgettable Sedgefield/Selworthy block party to every event since, The Littlejohns have wowed us with their professional, personable, and creative touches. Their food and desserts are simply irresistible.

Let's raise our forks in appreciation for their flavorful contributions to our community! Stay connected by following them on Instagram @Littlejohns_Joy and @Baebee_Cakes_by_Dot

Know a member who deserves to be spotlighted? Email us at <u>LibertyHill44139@gmail.com</u> to share their story!

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Forging Stronger Community Ties

Collaborating for Positive Change in Solon

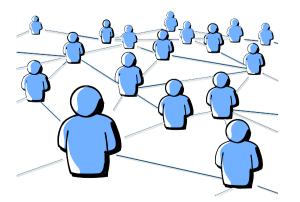
As the season changes, and our community thrives, it's essential to reflect on the ties that bind us with our city. Our neighborhood has always been a vibrant part of the larger tapestry of Solon, and fostering positive relations with local authorities is crucial for our collective well-being.

In the bustling heart of our neighborhood, residents on North Roundhead (between Hollyhock & Lynton) have joined hands with the Neighborhood Assoc. in a concerted effort to address pressing issues affecting community. Partnering our closely with Councilman Pelunis and the City of Solon, we've embarked on a journey to rectify the LH Apartments Trash Compactor Issue, ensuring a cleaner, more pleasant environment for all.

But our collaboration doesn't stop there. We're actively engaged

with Councilman Pelunis and city officials to pave the way for progress in other areas ลร well including the development of a new Lease Agreement for the Liberty Hill Park and woods/undeveloped land. Additionally, we are happy to share an update on the occasional extended red light signal at SOM & Cromwell that neighbors have our experienced. The red signal occurs on SOM cross streets when saftey vehicles are activated. The timing & sensors are under review and we hope to see improved wait times while maintaining an unrestricted traffic flow for our first responders.

As we continue to work hand in hand with our city representatives, let's celebrate the power of community collaboration and our shared commitment to making Solon an even better place to call home.



2024 Board of Directors Meetings

June 18 at Liberty Hill Park Pavilion @ 8pm September 17 at Liberty Hill Park Pavilion @ 8pm December 10 via Virtual Platform @ 8pm March 11 via Virtual Platform @ 8pm

*In the event dates/times change, notice will be provided to active Members.

Possible Future Improvements



- Mulch for Playground
- Additional Maintenance Equipment
- New Trash Cans @ Park
- Upgrades to Pavilion (Picnic Tables, Grills, New Concrete 'Patio' Slab)
- Upgrades to Fire Pit Area
- New Landscaping at Cul-De-Sacs
- Sign at SOM Center Road Entrance

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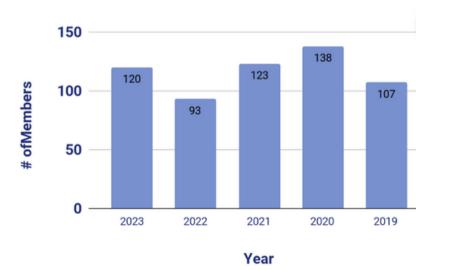
Membership by the Numbers

Building a Stronger Community

With 500+ homes comprising our neighborhood, the potential for membership growth is boundless. As stewards of our beloved Liberty Hill, we are on a mission to ensure that every household has a voice and a stake in our collective future.

As of September 1, 2023, we joyfully welcomed 90 members to the Liberty Hill Neighborhood Association, representing approximately 17.5% of our total households. However, through a concerted membership drive in September, we witnessed an impressive 30% surge, elevating our membership tally to a robust 120 homes, now constituting around 23% of our community.

Yet, our journey doesn't stop here. With over 350 homes yet to be represented, our goal remains clear: to increase our membership numbers and foster a sense of community among all residents. More members mean not only a stronger voice in decision-making but also the resources to elevate our maintenance standards and expand our roster of engaging events and activities.



MEMBERSHIP DUES

As a friendly reminder, the Neighborhood Association Annual Membership fee is currently due. You can conveniently pay online through our website <u>www.libertyhillhoa.net/hoa</u>or email us if you've misplaced your membership form. Your contributions play a crucial role in maintaining and improving our neighborhood.



Get ready to dive into the world of literature and step into a healthier lifestyle with our exciting community initiatives!

Join us for our monthly Book Club where we'll explore captivating stories, share insights, and connect with fellow book enthusiasts. Whether you're a voracious reader or just looking to expand your literary horizons, there's a place for you in our Book Club. The first book selection is "On the Lamb: A Kebab Kitchen Mystery" by Tina Kashian. Our first meeting will take place on June 14th at 7 pm at the Liberty Hill Pavilion.

But that's not all! Lace up your sneakers and join our biweekly Walking Club every other Thursday at 5:30 pm. Enjoy the fresh air, the company of neighbors, and the benefits of staying active as we stroll through our beautiful neighborhood together. Whether you're aiming for a leisurely stroll or a brisk walk, our Walking Club welcomes all fitness levels. We will meet for our first outing on May 16th at the Liberty Hill Park.



Mark your calendars and don't miss out on these fantastic opportunities to engage with your community, expand your mind, and stay active. See you there!

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LIBERTY HILL ORGANIZATION CHART



WELCOMING OUR NEW ELECTED BOARD MEMBERS AND TRUSTEES!

As spring blooms around us, it brings not only the promise of warmer days but also exciting changes within our Neighborhood Association. We are delighted to extend a warm welcome to our newly elected Board Members and Trustees, who have graciously stepped forward to serve our vibrant community.

Their dedication and commitment to enhancing our neighborhood exemplify the spirit of unity and cooperation that defines Liberty Hill. With their diverse backgrounds and fresh perspectives, we are confident that they will contribute greatly to the continued success and prosperity of our community. Please join us in congratulating and welcoming our new and returning leaders: Caitlin, Heather, Shervonne, Tatiana, Dave, Andrea, Jess, Jordan, and Megan.

As we embark on this journey together, let us reaffirm our shared values of collaboration, transparency, and mutual respect. Together, we will work hand in hand to uphold the principles that make Liberty Hill a place we are proud to call home.

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our outgoing Board Member & President, Tim Stacey for his invaluable contributions and tireless efforts in service to our community. His dedication has laid a strong foundation for us to build upon, and we are immensely grateful for his leadership.

Here's to a bright and prosperous future ahead for Liberty Hill, guided by the passion and commitment of our esteemed Board Members and Trustees.

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