



Strawberry Hill Recreation Association



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KIDS HOLIDAY PARTY



**SATURDAY,
DECEMBER
17TH at the
Clubhouse
from 3:00 PM
to 5:00 PM.
Santa is**

**expected to stop by between 3:30
PM and 4:30 PM. Please bring
cookies or a cake for the Cake
Walk.**

BOARD MEETING



Mondays, 7 pm.

All are welcome.

- Monday, December 12
(Budget for 2006 voted on)

- Monday, January 9
- Monday, February 13

CHILI, BENGALS & BEER

More than 40 residents joined their neighbors the first Chili, Bengals & Beer event in



November. The last regular season game is on January 1st. Join us again in the Clubhouse and bring the kids. The game starts at 1 pm, and Chili will be provided, along with activities for the kids.

RENT THE CLUBHOUSE

Contact Mike Morgan before 9pm at 298-0140 to reserve the Clubhouse for a Good Neighbor style event.

NOVEMBER MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

In attendance: Ed Doherty, William Klum, Theresa Klum, Kristin Speikerman, Frank Bachman, Dave Vermette, and Amanda Schilling.

The Board:

- Approved Minutes from the last meeting.
- The preliminary budget was reviewed and it was approved to present to the membership at the December meeting.
- The board discussed having a formal contract and a job description for the position of bookkeeper
- Willie Klum will check with the pool company and see if we minimize cost increases if we renew the contract early and for 3 years.
- Kid's Holiday party is scheduled for Saturday, December 17th from 3:00 – 5:00p.m. Santa will be visiting from 3:30 – 4:30pm. Please bring cookies or a cake for the Cake Walk. Volunteers are needed. Please call Amanda Schilling at 573 – 7199.
- Meeting was adjourned.

Message from the President

2005 was one of the busiest years ever for the SHRA.

- The decision to lower the Clubhouse Rental fee from \$50 per event to \$25 per event, meant that more residents utilized this wonderful asset more times than ever before. The Board is optimistic that the pace of rentals will continue to increase as we move into 2006.
- The addition and acceptance of 'non-pool-season' social events, like the Bengals, Chili and Beer could mean the beginning of a year-round Recreation Association rather than a June-July-August one.
- Attendance at the five 'kids' events: End of School Party, Fourth of July, Halloween Party and the upcoming Holiday Party has been excellent.
- For the first time a Labor Day Cookout was added that was extremely popular.
- For the third year in a row, the revenue from assessments exceeded expenses, even with the additional social events, due to sound financial

management and careful consideration of every expense.

- As a result of that fiscal responsibility, we have a surplus that will be reinvested into the facility, as well as provide a cushion for a rainy day or unexpected capital expenditure.
- At the December financial meeting, discussion on capital expenditures for the coming year will be finalized.
- Our actively maintained Web Page, one of a very few for an Association of our type, had a record number of hits as more and more residents looked to this electronic source of information.

The busy year was completed with the help of seven volunteers who receive no compensation, no favors, and no thanks in most cases. But without them, much of the success of the recreation association would not happen. This year for an inexpensive Holiday gift that will go a long way, I want to suggest that you thank a board member for what they do for you. Strawberry Hill/Gatsby Green is a pretty nice place to live, and it is getting nicer. Their names are below. Happy Holidays.

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