

Neighbors! Welcome to our summer update. Each year, voluntary annual dues are collected to support fun neighborhood social events and help maintain the tennis court common area- specifically, grass mowing, taxes, and insurance. This year, dues will remain at \$50 per household. Your participation makes a significant difference in the quality and maintenance of the common area as well as helping to bring the neighborhood together.

Please send your 2016 payment (\$50 annual dues) to HAHA 53 Adams Drive or use the PayPal link at harvardacres.com. Thank you for paying the dues!

-HAHA Social Committee

Event Calendar

June 19 – Ice Cream Social
July 11-15 – Tennis Lessons
Aug 8-12 – Tennis Lessons
September 17 – Picnic
Date TBA – Sunrise Yoga



New to the neighborhood?

We are so glad you're here! This newsletter is only sent out once a year. If you would like to join our mailing list to hear about any new events please go to harvardacres.com and sign up. We also have a google discussion group for the neighborhood which you can join here: <http://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/Harvard-acres-discussions>. You can also find us on Facebook and Nextdoor.

We need YOU!

This HAHA group was founded to make sure we are able to collect enough dues every year to pay the taxes and insurance on the common lands located on Conant Drive. We use a little of the extra money each year to host fun social events. All of this is done by individual volunteers. We are always looking for new faces with fresh ideas to help us keep this great neighborhood going. If you would like to help out or just have an idea you'd like to share on how to make this better, please reach out to any of the members on the newsletter.

2016 EVENTS

Ice Cream! Ice Cream!

June 19 (Father's Day)

Time: 2:30-4:30 at Tennis Courts

It's Harvard Acres 5th annual ice cream social celebrating the start of summer and all those Fantastic Dads on Father's Day! Join us at the tennis courts and spend some time hanging out with neighbors and a sundae bowl of yummy Erikson's ice cream. Just a reminder, it can get hot and buggy on the tennis courts, so bring your sunscreen and bug spray. Feel free to bring chalk, bikes and scooters for your little ones so you can hang a while.

Tennis Lessons

Session 1 (July 11-15 Time: TBA)

Session 2 (Aug 8-12 Time: TBA)

Tennis lesson instructor, Matt McNulty, will be taking over coaching our kids' summer tennis lessons. Two sessions will be held. Each session costs \$25 for the first child and \$15 for each additional child in the family. Older and younger brackets along with times will be decided when the participants are determined. Your child must have completed Kindergarten in order to attend. A parent or guardian is required to stay with their child during lessons. If you would like to sign up for one or both sessions, please send your request to Marcy Eckel at mbeckel@gmail.com.

Annual Neighborhood Picnic

September 17 (raindate 9/18)

Time: 1:00-4:00 at Tennis Courts

Join us for our biggest event of the year as we get together at the tennis courts for the annual picnic! This year we will be doing a carnival theme and are hoping to have bouncy house, cotton candy, and popcorn again! We are looking for local kids (or adults) who would like to setup a game or contest, host a craft, paint faces or any other idea! Please contact Tara Natanson tara@natanson.net if you would like to help out! More details to follow via email!

Sunrise Yoga

Date: To Be Announced

HABA is in the process of organizing another outdoor sunrise yoga class at the tennis courts. This class will be run by a certified yoga instructor and will be offered to all levels. Please watch for an email announcement with more details on the HABA googlegroups email forum.

Got Mosquitos?

The Central MA Mosquito Control Project provides free mosquito spraying service on your property. To request, call (508)393-3055 or e-mail servicerequest@cmmcp.org with your name, address, phone, comments. www.cmmcp.org



HAHA Social Committee

Name	E-mail address	Position/Responsibilities
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Annual Budget Report

	2015	2014	2013
Dues Rec'd: (Including tennis lesson income)	\$5,698	\$3,953	\$4,700
Expenses			
Taxes	\$1,734	\$1,734	\$1,653
Insurance	\$250	\$250	\$250
Mowing/Landscaping/Court Maintenance	\$70	\$0	\$445
Newsletter	\$205	\$284	\$204
Portopotty	\$0	\$371	\$285
Socials (June-Sept)	\$912	\$519	\$609
Tennis Lessons	\$633	\$563	\$448
Total Expenses	\$3,804	\$3,722	\$3,895
Income-Expenses	\$1,895	\$232	\$806
Tennis Court Repairs	-		
Cost of Repairs	-	\$6,150	
Donations	-	\$3,900	
Balance taken from HAHA savings	-	\$2,250	

A few comments...

Thanks to the 32 families who donated \$735 to fund the rock wall at our annual picnic. The rock wall was a big hit at the picnic, and we're very disappointed that we can't offer it again this year as the company is no longer in business.

The tennis lesson program is intended to break even. We made \$87 in 2015. In 2014 we lost \$78. Maintenance of the common land in 2013 included mowing and repairs to the sandbox. Due to a mix-up, we did not pay for mowing the common land in 2014. Thank you to the neighbors who stepped in to help out.

Treasurers Report

Thank you for paying your dues in 2015 -- we received dues payments from 42% of the neighborhood, which is higher than the 41% who contributed in 2014.

Each year, our dues cover the taxes, insurance, and maintenance on our common land surrounding the tennis courts. We look to you for your continued support of HAHA so that we can continue to maintain our common land and foster the friendly neighborhood atmosphere through social events. Our voluntary annual dues is \$50. Please send your 2016 payment to HAHA 53 Adams Drive or use the PayPal link at harvardacres.com.

Thank you, Tara Natanson