

# Harvard Acres Home Owners Association

[www.harvardacres.com](http://www.harvardacres.com)

Spring 2020

Hi Neighbors!

First of all, we hope this newsletter finds you and your family in good health. We encourage you to like the Harvard Acres Facebook page as a way to communicate with your neighbors. If you need assistance or want to notify neighbors that Shaw's has restocked their shelves, it's a great resource and we encourage you to use it.

Secondly, we'd like to welcome all of our new neighbors to Harvard Acres! It's a wonderful neighborhood and we hope you enjoy living here as much as we do. As you may have heard, Harvard Acres has a Homeowners Association (HAHA) that is run by the voluntary Social Committee. Every year, the Social Committee requests dues that are primarily applied to pay the collective neighborhood's tax and insurance liability on the common land and tennis courts. Any surplus is used to host and promote social events throughout the year.

The 2020 HAHA dues donation is \$25, although we are happy to receive more or less based on your personal ability to contribute. Please send your 2020 payment to HAHA 361 Harvard Road or use the PayPal link at [harvardacres.com](http://harvardacres.com). Thank you for paying dues!

*-HAHA Social Committee*  
[socialcommittee@harvardacres.com](mailto:socialcommittee@harvardacres.com)



## WE NEED YOUR HELP!

All of the HAHA activities are run by individual volunteers. Can you spare a little time to support our community?

Email us to learn more. And of course, new ideas are always welcome!

thank  
you!

Thank you to the families who donated last year, allowing us to pay taxes and insurance on our common land. Also, a big thanks to:

- Kendra Cestone and Tom Zavorski for their ongoing mowing and cleanup of the tennis courts!



## EVENT CALENDAR

June 21 - Ice Cream Social

July 4 – Bike Parade

July 13-17 – Tennis Lessons

August 10-14 – Tennis Lessons

September 26 – Annual Picnic

TBD – Insert Your Event Here!

*Follow us on Facebook for event details!*



## Annual Neighborhood Picnic

Saturday, September 26

Time: 1:00 – 4:00 at Tennis Courts

Come out and join your neighbors for this all ages event! We're looking for volunteers to help out with some games or other fun activities.

Make sure you are on our email list, Nextdoor.com or Facebook page for updates on this event! If you have any ideas, please contact Tara at [tara@natanson.net](mailto:tara@natanson.net).



## Ice Cream! Ice Cream!

Sunday, June 21 (Father's Day)

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

It's Harvard Acres 9th 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.



## Water Testing

A friendly reminder that private well water should be tested yearly. The HAHA Social Committee has reached out to local company [SafeWell.us](http://SafeWell.us). If interested, please reach out to them directly and tell them that you live in Harvard Acres and that we recently had a Group Buy.

Safewell will be offering us PFAS and two different levels of regular contaminant testing along with a well inspection at a discount.

PFAS testing \$275 (\$20 discount on \$295)

Standard Contaminant test \$249 (no discount)

Comprehensive Contaminant test \$275 (\$14 discount on \$289)

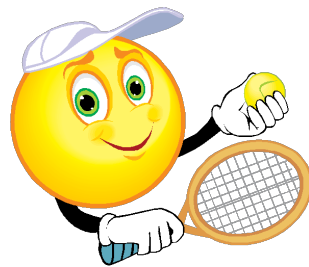
**4th of July**

Tuesday, July 4th at Tennis courts

**Bike Parade**

Decorating: 10:30 a.m.  
Parade Start Time: 11:00

Meet us at the tennis courts to decorate bikes, trikes, scooters or any gizmo your child rides on wheels! Then join us for a patriotic neighborhood bike parade loop down Conant, up Kirkland to loop back around at courts. Some decorating supplies will be provided, but please bring your own as well!

**Tennis Lessons**

July 13-17/ August 10-14

Session cost: \$35 first child / \$25 additional child in family

We're happy to announce that Rebecca Solomon will be offering tennis lessons again this summer. Your child must have completed Kindergarten in order to attend. A parent or guardian is required to stay with their child during lessons. Contact Olga Portnova at [harvardcrestennis@gmail.com](mailto:harvardcrestennis@gmail.com) for more info. These lessons will be open to families outside of the neighborhood pending interest within Harvard Acres.

**Common Land/Tennis Courts**

We kindly ask you to refrain from dumping brush, or leaving bikes/toys, on town property, our common land and the tennis courts.

**Septic Pumping**

A Septic Group buy was conducted in 2019. The next group buy will be conducted in 2021.

## 2019 Annual Treasurer's Report

	2019	2018	2017
<b>Income</b>			
(includes tennis lessons)	\$1,915	<b>\$4,770</b>	<b>\$5,050</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Taxes	\$1,726	\$1865	\$1,855
Insurance	\$250	\$250	\$250
Common Land Maintenance	\$311	\$200	\$100
Other (includes Newsletter, Website)	\$518	\$177	\$403
Socials (June-Oct)	\$86	\$484	\$706
Tennis Lessons	\$690	\$750	\$750
Common Land Improvements	\$229	\$289	\$300
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$3,369</b>	<b>\$4,015</b>	<b>\$4,363</b>
<b>Income-Expenses</b>	<b>(\$1,895)</b>	<b>\$755</b>	<b>\$387</b>

### Notes:

- Unfortunately, we didn't receive enough dues last year to cover all expenses. Please consider donating to cover the operating costs for the above. Thank you.

## HAHA Social Committee

[socialcommittee@harvardacres.com](mailto:socialcommittee@harvardacres.com)

Name	Responsibilities
Tara Natanson	President/Picnic
Stefanie Grenier	Treasurer/Secretary/Newsletter
Briar Biddle	Clerk/Social Media Marketing
Jason Biddle	Social Media Marketing
Gianna Hoban	Social Committee
Joanne Miller	Social Committee
Marie Rudiman	Social Committee
Matthew Eliadi	Social Committee
Erica O'Neill	Ice Cream Social
Jenny Blounts	4 <sup>th</sup> of July events
Alicia Frigon	4 <sup>th</sup> of July events
Olga Portnova	Tennis Lessons Coordinator



### New to the neighborhood?

Welcome! This newsletter is sent out once a year, so please join our mailing list to receive updates on neighborhood events:

[www.harvardacres.com](http://www.harvardacres.com), click the 'Join our Mailing List' link. Also find the links to our [Facebook page](#) for event info, [Google discussion group](#), and to [Nextdoor](#).