# Brooks of Hickory Hollow Community Association, Inc. 9462 Brownsboro Road, #139 Louisville, KY 40241 www.bhhca.org

# MARCH 2006 NEWSLETTER

**ANNUAL DUES:** The enclosed invoice must be paid no later than April 30. Annual dues are \$75 and discounted to \$70 if paid by March 30. Everyone paying by April 30 and returning a completed entry form will be entered in the prize drawing for one of three \$30 Summit gift cards.

**FALL 2005 BALLOT ISSUES RESULTS:** Thank you to everyone that voted. We had almost 80% participation!

Snow Removal Failed Police Patrols Passed Yard Sale Passed

# Actual votes received and percentages:

Snow Removal	136 yes, 55 no	71.2% yes, 28.8% no*
Police Patrols	149 yes, 42 no	78.0% yes, 22.0% no
Yard Sale	143 yes, 48 no	74.9% yes, 25.1% no

<sup>\*</sup>The Board of Directors required a 75% minimum in favor of snow removal for it to pass because it would result in a substantial dues increase. The other two issues just needed a majority vote to pass.

As of Dec. 1, only 67.9% of the homeowners had voted. We decided to extend the deadline a week and mail another ballot to the 77 homeowners that had not voted. We did this to ensure everyone had an opportunity to vote. In the end, 191 of 240 homeowners (79.6%) voted.

# Percentages based on all 240 homeowners:

Snow Removal 56.7% yes, 43.3% no or did not vote Police Patrols 62.1% yes, 37.9% no or did not vote Yard Sale 59.6% yes, 40.4% no or did not vote

Homeowners signed up to get email updates received these results two months ago.

### YARD SALE:

The annual Brooks of Hickory Hollow yard sale is **Saturday, May 20<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 to 2:00**, rain or shine. An ad will go in the Courier-Journal and signs will be put out at the 4 entrances before the sale.

**NO SOLICITING SIGNS:** After several complaints about unwanted soliciting, we put up "no soliciting" signs at all 4 entrances.

**ANNUAL MEETING:** The annual meeting will be in August and we will vote for 3 board member positions. Two are 3-year terms for the expiring terms of Kathy Wright and Barbara Boykin. One is a 2-year term to fill the remainder of Bob Szappanos' term. Current board members are eligible for re-election. Officers are selected every year by the board members voting among themselves.

Board members attend 5 or 6 meetings per year that are held on Thursday evenings, lasting 2-3 hours. Other duties and projects are worked on outside of the meetings. Email is a must for us to conduct business between meetings. If you are interested in running for a board position or would like more information, please email Kathy Wright at kjdwright@bellsouth.net.

**TRASH COLLECTION:** Community wide trash collection with Industrial Disposal (ID) is \$7.95 per month. Call ID at **638-9000** for service. Please put trash carts on the side of the driveway away from your mailbox so the truck's automatic lift has room to operate.

**STREET LIGHTS**: Anyone can report a street light out by calling LG&E at **589-3500**. It is an automated system and you just need the address of the home next to the light. Please report outages promptly and don't assume it's already been reported. This service is included in the amount we pay, approximately \$13 per light per month, whether the lights are working or not.

**CRIME PREVENTION:** We have not had any recent reports of crime, but there are steps we can take to make our neighborhood less inviting to criminals:

- Report street light outages promptly to LG&E.
- Turn on outside lights at night.
- Always keep garage doors closed when not in use.
- Don't leave your house key or garage door opener with your car when having service or valet parking.
- Lock your car when it is parked outside.
- Stop newspaper and mail when you are away.
- Report crimes or suspicious activity to the police.

### **COMMON RULES:**

- No Street parking. All vehicles must be parked in your driveway or garage.
- No boats, trailers, campers, motor homes, tractor trailers, etc. are allowed unless kept in an enclosed garage.
- Satellite dishes are permitted, but must be located on the back or side of your house and not easily visible from the street. Let the installer know the community has these restrictions so he will put it in the proper location.
- Lawns and ditches on your property must be cut on a regular basis. Please don't dump yard waste in the ditches or creek it's illegal.
- **Pets** must be restrained at all times. Please pick up pet waste during neighborhood walks. No one wants that kind of gift left in their yard!