

## POOL COMMITTEE REPORT

16 September 2014

The 2014 Summer Pool Season is over and the pool is now covered for the winter. The Sun Deck at the pool remains available for use for those who still worship the sun or want to have a small gathering of friends during our early fall September days. The rules are simple: return furniture to original placement and any cushions used back to the office where they are stored; take all trash with you. Call Tina Ligon at 410-212-9597 for instructions to get in.

Our end of the summer Labor Day Pool BBQ and Pooch Plunge was a hit! First, our "human" residents enjoyed a Grill-your-own Potluck. (Big thanks to Susan Finlayson - 2A for loaning us her grill!) There were about 45 folks who came to enjoy the delicious food and several took advantage of the pool to jump in and cool off, as it was quite a hot, humid day! Then, at 5:30, the four-legged residents of Shearwater came to enjoy the last couple of hours of the pool. We had about 11 dogs attend. Our champion swimmers were Oscar and Hope, with a couple others joining in once or twice. All of the dogs enjoyed getting splashed and exploring the pool area. It was a fun day and we hope to repeat this event next year!

Winterizing will be done soon, and Shearwater has some much needed pools repairs on the list to hopefully be completed before opening for the 2015 season. Here is a list of the items we have been keeping an eye on since our first recommendation in 2009:

- 1.) Remove and replace waterline tile and pool perimeter coping stones. All are original (1980s) as far as we can tell with research of the pool repairs of past years, with only the grout and caulking being replaced when needed.
- 2.) Remove and Install Pool Perimeter Expansion Joint Caulking (last done in 2006) including replacing current concrete joints that have wood.
- 3.) The Health Department has stated a requirement for mechanical ventilation of the pool pump room. We have been getting away with NOT doing this thus far, because we have louvered ventilation that is covered in the winter for winterizing, and opened in the summer months to provide ventilation. Not knowing how much longer the Health Department will overlook us, Anchor has recommended and included the costs of installing a ventilation fan on their estimate.

So far, we have estimates from two companies - Anchor Aquatics, and KAM Aquatics. We hope to receive at least one more estimate for the Pool Committee to review before asking the Board to include these repairs in the up-coming Pool Budget.

Three other items to be reviewed for repairs and/or up-dating are: 1.) The Pool entryway concrete - estimates for replacing the seriously cracked area are being included with other concrete repairs in the community. 2.) The counters and sinks in both bathrooms located in the pool building need up-dating/replaced and, 3.) The peeling concrete floors in the bathrooms need to be re-painted. Also, the cinder block wall in the ladies bathroom that was damaged late last year by an automobile accident should be completely repaired for the next pool season. The

Pool Committee will continue to monitor the progress of all repairs and up-dates to the pool area over the winter months.

So, thanks to all residents who enjoyed coming to the pool this summer! Our lifeguard, Teodora, did a great job and we were glad to have her here!  
See you next year! Tina Ligon, Pool Committee Chair