



# Ravenna Community Newsletter

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## Happy New Year!!

We hope everyone had a great holiday vacation and a safe New Years! The Homeowners' Association is putting out another newsletter to keep everyone in the neighborhood up to date on current happenings in Ravenna. Please read the newsletter in its entirety, as it is full of great information. The HOA Board meetings for 2017 are as follows:

April 4, May 2\*, June 6, August 1, and September 5

\*Denotes our annual voting meeting

All HOA meetings will be held at the Chesapeake Library off of Cedar Road at 7pm.

Our current HOA Board Members are as follows:

President - John McIntyre

Vice President - Lizz Story

Treasurer - Jessica Stice

Secretary - OPEN

Member at Large - Tracy Sunvold

We are currently looking for a new member to join the Board. If interested in volunteering for your community, please contact [jmmcintyre@yahoo.com](mailto:jmmcintyre@yahoo.com). HOA meetings are a wonderful opportunity to meet the board and express any concerns that you may have. We welcome any and all homeowner involvement! If you need to reach us at any other time, please visit our community website ([www.ravennahomeowners.net](http://www.ravennahomeowners.net)) and fill out the information under the Contact Us tab.

Thank you so much for your time!

~Ravenna Homeowner's Association Board~

## Community Events

Come join us at Ladies Night! This is a casual get together of new and old neighbors in a social atmosphere.



Events are hosted within the neighborhood. It is a great way to get to know your neighbors and socialize in a casual manner. For information regarding the email list for Ladies Night, contact Donna Ertel at [dmebasket@me.com](mailto:dmebasket@me.com).

Feeling a bit less casual, we have a monthly bunko group that gets together for food, drinks, and a friendly dice game. No worries if you have never played bunko before, it's quick to learn and takes no skill whatsoever. For information regarding the email list for Bunko, contact Alison Kentch at [alkentch@gmail.com](mailto:alkentch@gmail.com).

## General Community Updates

### Middle School Board Rezoning Possibility-

At the November 14, 2016 School Board meeting, the administration indicated that a proposed calendar could be provided at the December Board meeting in the event the Board wanted to further discuss adjusting attendance zones at the middle school level. Below is the calendar of proposed timelines for discussing the issue.

Monday, January 9, 2017- Initial presentation by staff of attendance zone options

Week of Jan. 23'd -27th, 2017- Community meeting(s)

Monday, January 30, 2017- Public hearing and work session

Monday, February 13, 2017- Public hearing, work session and request for final action

This rezoning could affect our neighborhood. There is an online petition that was created by the Board to address our dissatisfaction with the possible rezoning of Ravenna. Below is the website for signing the petition. <http://www.thepetitionsite.com/785/445/868/stop-the-proposal-for-rezoning-in-hickory/>

In addition, and more importantly, to signing the petition please reach out to the Chesapeake School Board members directly and attend the meetings set up to discuss this situation. Past precedence has shown that reaching out, showing up, and actively participating in the process is more effective than signing a petition. We have listed the members of the Chesapeake School Board below with all of their contact information for your convenience.

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As soon as we get information we will update the website, Nextdoor app, and community emails.

**Speeding** – Speeding in Ravenna demonstrates a disregard for the safety of others and continues to be an issue. **SLOW DOWN**. The Chesapeake Police have been alerted to this situation. Neighbors can also contact the non-emergency police line to report offenders at 382-6556.

## Want to know what is happening around Ravenna?



Be sure to register on our neighborhood website – [www.RavennaHomeowners.net](http://www.RavennaHomeowners.net)! This is a very informative resource regarding our neighborhood and local community. The website includes HOA meeting schedules,

recent Newsletters/Meeting Minutes, a “Newcomer’s Guide”, Architectural Guidelines and upcoming events. Emails will be sent to registered members regarding important notices from our Chesapeake Police Dept, upcoming events or other important information that needs to be communicated to the neighborhood. In the past, we have been able to bring lost dogs back to their families and communicate an urgent safety matter via our website email blasts.

Note that emails will not be abundant and only sent if necessary. Your personal information will be kept confidential and can be “hidden” from the member directory. Feel free to call or email John McIntyre anytime with questions or concerns.

Phone: [757-469-9415](tel:757-469-9415)

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Ravenna is also an established neighborhood on [www.Nextdoor.com](http://www.Nextdoor.com). It is an online tool designed to connect neighbors together. The Ravenna HOA will begin utilizing this tool, in addition to the traditional ways, to reach out to neighbors.

**Newsletter Contributions?**

Have something you would like to see printed in the community newsletter, email Lizz Story at [uvaslp10@gmail.com](mailto:uvaslp10@gmail.com) with the subject line Ravenna Community Newsletter. All contributions are subject to Board approval. No company advertisements will be allowed.

**Many Thanks**

Thank you so much to the Social Committee for putting on such a fabulous Halloween Block Party. We are currently looking for volunteers to join and assist in planning the Second Annual Easter Egg Hunt. Please use the contact us page on the website if you are interested.

