



Blackberry Juice

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Blackberry Autumn

Picnic Time

It's that time of the year again – fall and the annual **Blackberry Mountain Picnic!** Please make plans to attend. This is always a good time for meeting new neighbors and getting reacquainted with the ones you met last year! The picnic is scheduled for **Saturday, October 6, 4:00-6:00 pm.**

Blue Ridge Grass, bluegrass band, will be providing entertainment, and meat and drinks will be furnished by the association; please bring a covered dish to share (and a lawn chair if you have one). If you can be available to help setting up tables and chairs or taking them down afterward, call the office.

Reservations are not required but will help us determine the amount of food to order, please **RSVP** to 706-273-3100 before Wednesday, **October 3**, if you have guests they are welcome also.

Watch Your Speed

During the pleasant fall weather many residents and guests are outside more often. Please be cautious while driving within the community and observe the posted speed limits.

Drought Continues

Please be aware that we are all affected by the statewide drought. Avoid any excess water usage especially during the peak day-time hours and on weekends when more residents are present.



Avoid Water Damage

If you are planning to be away for an extended time please shut off water to avoid the possibility of leaks. Unattended leaks have occurred to several residents. These not only caused damage inside the homes but affected the water supply to neighbors. Please remember, water line repair personnel have no way of detecting water leaks originating within resident homes.



What Is The Association?

Dave Teffeteller

Due no doubt to the drought, a well in Settlers Springs stopped producing, leaving the residents that are connected to it, with little or no water. The well company was contacted immediately and two sites were chosen that held the best promise for a new well.

There is no common area or easement area in Settlers Springs that is suitable for a new well. So, as is the case with the large majority of Blackberry's wells, the well will have to be drilled on a homeowner's property within a few feet of a roadway.

When the property owners of these two sites were approached for permission to locate the new well on their properties, they requested compensation from the association.

Which brings me to my question, "What is the association?" There are 138 assessed lots in Blackberry Mountain. All of the expenses of Blackberry as estab-

lished through our annual budget and approved by the residents, are shared equally by us. When the "association" incurs an expense, it is an expense equally incurred by each of us.

Which brings me to another question, "Why would a resident intentionally impose an expense on themselves as well as their neighbors?"

And the greater question, "Why would residents not be willing to do everything in their power to provide themselves and their neighbors with something as essential as water?"

I think that Blackberry is a wonderful place, and I intend to spend the rest of my days here. Fortunately, the great majority of Blackberry's residents feel the same way and are willing to do everything in their power to ensure that Blackberry endures. For those that don't share our appreciation for Blackberry, well ..., unfortunately, I'm out of space.

Welcome to New Owners

David and Martha Jackson (NP7)

from Tampa, Florida

Charles and Janine Hardy (BF 37)

from Lawrenceville, Georgia

Annual Meeting Reminder

Planning ahead...the annual Association meeting is scheduled for **Saturday, February 16, 2008, 9:00 am**. You will receive more information at a later date.

Stay Up To Date

Need to know what is going on at Blackberry between visits and newsletters? Blackberry Mountain Association's website is a great resource for all of our members.

On the website you can:

- check for upcoming events and meetings
- download the membership handbook which contains maps, bylaws and CCRs
- download Design Committee rules, forms and applications
- download current and past issues of the *Blackberry Juice*.



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