

Homes Association THE POINTE BRIDGE POINTE

Hiatt Home Will Host Aug. 9 TGIF

Susan and Bob Hiatt (436-5057) will host the next TGIF Social Hour, at

Bridge Pointe Homes
**TGIF
HAPPY HOUR
HERE!**
FRIDAY 5:30-7:30pm
5:30pm Friday, August 9, at their home, 1715 NE 82nd Ter.

Snacks and beverages to share are welcome.



The Girl Next Door, Almost . . .

Once upon a time two BridgePointe kids grew up two doors from each other in the same cul-de-sac — North Michigan Court to be exact — and then got married. **Tim Michael and Rachael Creagh** took vows on July

12 in the presence of family, friends, and lots of neighbors, who then lined the street with their sparklers.

Proud parents are **Linda Spotts Michael, and Sharon and Henry Creagh.**

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*"To have good neighbors,
be a good neighbor . . ."*

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So Far, So Good, By Day . . . Nights Bring Vandals to Pool

Daytime activity at the pool has gone swimmingly well this season, gladly missing the occasional behavior issues and health-related closings which occurred in prior years.

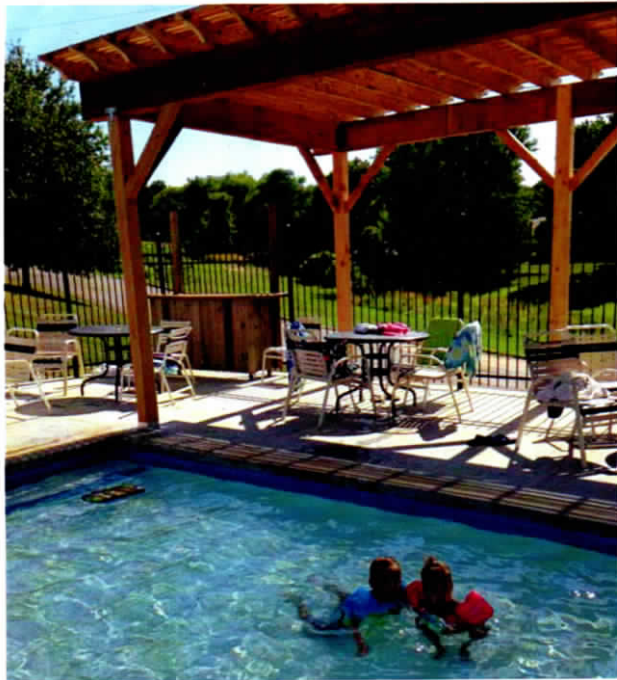
The pool successfully has hosted the Pool-Opening Party, Annual

Neighbors Pool Party, a TGIF Social Hour, and Movie Under the Stars, in addition to the casual relaxing during regular hours, without incident.

But several late-night break-ins in recent weeks have left minor vandalism: Smashed pool-area light, chair in

the pool, broken chain on parking lot, kicked-in pop machine, dirt in the pool, and rearranged furniture.

No one has been caught or identified yet. Police have been asked to patrol more, in hopes of catching the miscreants and averting more damage.



Cool Pool . . .

Peyton and Claire Cofer built the 12x20-foot cedar structure for \$5,750. It replaces the 25-year-old covered deck which was removed in November 2011. Parents are **Kristy and Justin Cofer**. Contractor Owen Homes



After this U.S. flag flew over a forward position in Afghanistan, it was sent to BridgePointe with this certificate. Neighbor **Bret Holder**, a U.S. Marine Gunnery Sergeant who has

served in both Iraq and Afghanistan, arranged for the flag to be flown, and for the certificate, which were presented to neighbors at the annual Independence Day parade.

Dues News . . .

Four Homes in Arrears

Nearly universal financial support of the neighborhood has spread the load fairly and kept the Homes Association's finances rosy.

Of the 201 households in BridgePointe, all but four (2%) have paid the \$250 annual assessment.



for shade at the swimming pool.

Anticipating big-ticket expenses sometime in the future of the 26-year-old common areas, the Board of Directors voted on March 3 to raise the assessment \$30 to \$280. It's the first raise in ten years, and will generate \$6,030 more each year.

By late July, income was \$50,798. Expenses were \$33,874. At least \$6,300 more was payable around August 1, and more expenses are expected later in the year.

The biggest new expense was the much-needed pergola

The Association cannot borrow money, so a reserve fund will pay for large expenses in the future. That will diminish the need for special assessments to pay for big projects.

Safety Tips . . .

Trim Branches; Lock Cars

It's the little things that keep a neighborhood great—such as locking cars and trimming branches.



A few recent auto break-ins will bring more police patrols,

so kids who are out after curfew should be aware. Locked cars will deter vandals.

Safety, and the law, require that low-hanging branches over sidewalks be trimmed by homeowners.



Shoal Creek Trail Hikes Toward Completion

A new 10-foot-wide concrete trail is working its way from Happy Rock Park, past Maple Woods Community College toward BridgePointe.

The joint Kansas City-Gladstone project offers scenic solitude along Shoal Creek. The two-mile Section 6, from N. Agnes to N.E. Barry Road, cost \$945,000. Eventually the trail will stretch westward from Pleasant Valley Park to Metro North Mall.



Jet and Kate Holder explore the Shoal Creek Trail near BridgePointe. Their parents are **Sara and Bret Holder**.



Going Up . . .

Jack Kammerer steadies a ladder for **Jason White**, who installed a flag on NE 83rd St. on May 25. **Brian McCrary** also helped install 16 flags.

Flags Fly Thanks to Neighbors

For several years, as many as 25 U.S. flags have been flying on BridgePointe lamp-posts, all because of time, effort and money donated by neighbors.

Weather takes its toll, so flags are removed in the fall, returned in the spring. On Memorial Day weekend, 16 flags were installed. Since then neighbors gave \$390 for replacement flags and hardware.

No Association cash is used on the flags.

Each assembly (flag, pole, bracket, band) costs about \$75.

For more info, contact **Ken Nelson** (468-6670, kennelson@mclaw.com).

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BridgePointe Activities and Events

August 9, Friday, 5:30-7:30pm, TGIF Social Hour, hosted by **Susan and Bob Hiatt**, (436-5057) at 1715 NE 82nd Ter.

August 30, Friday, 7-11:30pm, Kitchen Table Poker, hosted by (TBA).

September 2, Monday, noon to 8pm, Pool Closing, celebrated with hot dogs and soft drinks, call **Ken Nelson** (468-6670) for information or to help.

September 13 Friday, 5:30-7:30pm, TGIF Social Hour, hosted by **Linda Spotts Michael** (436-0339) at 8224 N. Michigan Court.

September 20, Friday, 5pm-9pm, Pre-Garage-Sale Sale, call **Linda Spotts Michael** (436-0339) for information or to help.

September 21, Saturday, 8am-5pm, Garage Sale, call **Linda Spotts Michael** (436-0339) for information or to help.

September 23, Monday, 7am, Synergy Center curbside pickup of items to donate, call **Linda Spotts Michael** (436-0339) for information or to help.

September 27, Friday, 7-11:30pm, Kitchen Table Poker, hosted by (TBA).

October 11, Friday, 5:30-7:30pm, TGIF Social Hour, hosted by **Eillen and Gideon Godsey** (569-2243) at 1634 NE 83rd Terr.

October 20, Sunday, 1-5pm, Oktoberfest in BridgePointe at the swimming pool parking lot; call **Danny and Vicki Ray** (468-9350) for information or to help.

October 25, Friday, 7-11:30pm, Kitchen Table Poker, hosted by (TBA).

October 26, Saturday, 8am-3pm, Dumpster Day, call **Ken Nelson** (468-6670) for information or to help.

November 8, Friday, 5:30-7:30pm, TGIF Social Hour, hosted by **George and Debbie Roberts** (436-2977) at 1615 NE 83rd St.

November 9, Saturday, 8am-3pm, Yard-Waste Clean-Up Day, call **Bob Hiatt**, (436-5057) for information or to help.

November 29, Friday, 7-11:30pm, Kitchen Table Poker, hosted by (TBA).

December 13, Friday, 5:30-7:30pm, TGIF Social Hour, hosted by **Vicki and Danny Ray** (468-9350) at 8325 N. Highland.

December 29, Friday, 7-11:30pm, Kitchen Table Poker, hosted by (TBA).



Oh, Say, Can You See . . .

Dozens of kids and their parents gather to honor America on Independence Day, saying the Pledge of Allegiance, singing the National Anthem, and parading through BridgePointe. Military heroes **Jim Gooden and John Spotts** were parade marshals. Thank **Mindy Warner** for coordinating always-popular annual event.