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From the President

I want to thank everyone for making our 48th annual Opening Day such a success. This day would never happen without the many volunteers and countless volunteer hours. People give of their time after working full time jobs and managing families so that our Opening Day is the best in the County. I would like to single out some of the volunteers such as Deb Norcross our Opening Day chairperson. She and her committee spend countless hours putting together the food, games and silent auction for everyone to enjoy. I think we can all agree that they did a wonderful job.

I would also like to thank Chris Benjes, Perry Martinelli, Eric Lippert and Kristine Hale, our baseball/softball chairpeople for the many hours they put in getting our leagues up and running. They have much help from all of the age group directors and managers and coaches to insure that this season runs smoothly and successfully. We also need to thank Tom Callis and the volunteers who showed up to help get the complex ready for the Big Day.

As you can tell, it takes an army to make this all happen from chairpeople, to managers and coaches, to parents donating items to have this be successful. So thanks to all of you!!!!

At this point though, we are still in need of some volunteers. Our concession stand committee needs volunteers or we will not be able to keep it open this season. At this point, we have no chairpeople to manage the concession stand. Our previous chairpeople have stepped down after many years of service. I know that each team is required to provide help running the stand each night and we are grateful to have that help. The problem is that we need committee members and someone to be in charge. There is shopping to be done, money to manage, schedules to work out and so on. If we cannot get the necessary help to do this, we will have to shut the concession stand. This is not something anyone wants to do as we know that our participants count on the concession stand for food, drinks snowballs and the like during the season. If you can help with concessions, please contact me immediately either by

email: dmrosas@verizon.net or by phone 410-790-4966.

- **Jeanne Rosas, President**

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Forest Hill Rec Soccer 2013

Mike Geier

Program Overview

Believe it or not, the registration process for the fall soccer season is about to begin. We had a very successful season in 2012 and are looking forward to a great year ahead.

Find the month and year that your child was born in the table below and that will tell you the age group in which your child should register with this document:

[2013 Age Group Table](#) (PDF)

The 5 year-old program is for boys and girls who are five years old by August 31st. Children in the U8 program play once per week on Saturdays and play on the smaller sized fields. Boys and girls in the U9 through U11 age groups will be playing on the smaller-sized fields with eight players per team on the field. The U13 and above age groups will play on the full-sized fields with 11 players per team on the field.

Registration

Travel soccer try-outs begin June 1st.

Please make every effort to complete and submit your registration forms during one of the two registration dates. You may also mail your registration form or register online through June 25th at www.foresthillsoccer.net. Forms submitted through the mail should be received no later than June 25, 2013. Forms are [available online here](#) (PDF) and are also available on the website at www.foresthillsoccer.net.

Mail to:
Michael Geier
1730 Grafton Ridge Court
Forest Hill, MD 21050

Registration will end on June 25, 2013.

Fees

The fees for the 2013 rec. soccer season are as follows:

5 Year-Olds: \$45
Under 8: \$55
Under 9 and above: \$70

There is a family maximum registration fee of \$160.

All checks should be made payable to FHRC.

Volunteers Needed

As with any sports program, we depend heavily on parent volunteers to help with a variety of matters, which include the following:

- Coaching or acting as assistant coach for your child's team;
- Helping with field maintenance matters; and
- Working in the concession stand

We need assistance in setting up our fields at the beginning of the season. If someone who is experienced in setting up the fields (initial lining and confirmation of field dimensions) would like to help, please let us know.

This work is extremely rewarding and quite a bit of fun. If anyone is interested in volunteering in any capacity in the soccer program, please contact Mike Geier at (410) 838-0193.

Improvements to the Program

We devote a significant amount of our program's resources to the upkeep of our fields. During the off-season, we re-sodded portions of all fields at the rec. complex. Additionally this past fall, portions of the fields at Blakes Venture and Friends Park were re-sodded. This continued focus on our fields will improve the quality of our program and maintain the appearance that all of us expect. These improvements are funded with your registration fees and generous support from our annual fundraiser. Thanks for all that you do to make our program one of the best in the county.

This year, we have also expanded the oldest age group to be a U16 age group. As a result, those players who are 15 at July 31st (our age determination date) will be eligible to participate in that age group this fall.

Program Contact

For any additional information on the soccer programs, please visit www.foresthillrec.com or contact Mike Geier at (410) 838-0193 or at foresthillsoccerchair@verizon.net.

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Travel Soccer

Online Tryout Registration Process

- Tryout Registration held: April 1st- May 31st
- Go to: www.hfcunited.com
- CREDIT CARDS ONLY!

HFC United Soccer

- Boys and Girls from Ages U8-U18 (see HFC site for team breakdown)
- Local and Regional Travel Leagues and Tournaments
- Tryouts Begin June 1st, schedule will be available on website.
- Premier, A&B level teams available – contact coach for more details.
- \$25 NON-REFUNDABLE Tryout Fee (Paid Online)
- NOTE- Any player who does not make an HFC team will be automatically eligible to participate in HFG or FH Rec Soccer and the \$25 fee will be used to offset any remaining Rec Soccer registration fees.

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Fall Baseball

Chris Benjes

This fall, Forest Hill Baseball is participating in both the Baltimore County Major League (BCML) Travel program AND the Northern Harford Fall Baseball League (NHFBL). All kids currently ages 8 to 15 who will be at least 9 and not more than 16 years old by April 30, 2014 are invited to sign up for Forest Hill Fall Baseball.

The NHFBL in-house program will have teams in the 9-10, 11-12 and 13-15 age groups. Players for this league will be placed on a team based on the age group the child will play in 2014 to give them a chance to prepare for next year. Try-outs are not necessary for participation in the In-house program! This is a register-and-play league, based on availability and number of teams.

This year we want to make sure we remain loyal to the kids from Forest Hill Rec, so players who register before June 30th **and** who played baseball for Forest Hill during the spring of 2013 will be given top priority and will be placed on teams before late-registrants and players from surrounding recreation council baseball programs.

The BCML Travel program will also have teams in the 9-10, 11-12 and 13-14 age groups, but this is a competitive league and teams will be selected by competitive try-out. Players for this league are invited to try-out for the age group based on what the child played in 2013. Because of its competitive nature, playing up in this league is not permitted except for extremely special cases.

All players wishing to attend our BCML Travel try-outs must register and pay for the Rec program before they will be allowed to try out. We will have registration forms available at the tryouts and you must be registered and paid before the player can try out. Such registration requirements show that you are serious about playing for Forest Hill. In order to qualify for selection to a BCML-league team, players must make at least one try-out, and it is recommended that players attend as many try-out sessions as they can. Try-outs will only be held on July 15-16.

Fees are to be determined. Please watch the Forest Hill baseball website for forms, dates and times. Players will also be notified for Fall Baseball registration during their in-house baseball games at Forest Hill. Hint: It is wise (and now a requirement) to sign up for the in-house program and then try-out for the Travel team. That way, the child will be on a team this fall even if he doesn't make the travel team. Any fees paid toward In-house will be transferred to Travel if he makes the team.

Refunds will only be given if requested via e-mail before team selection. After teams are selected, there are no refunds.

Fall Baseball runs from August through late October. Games are played on Sunday afternoons. For more information, contact Chris Benjes 410-893-6456, cbenjes@comcast.net.

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Adult Over-30 Softball

Chris Benjes / Cyndi Clarke

The Forest Hill Adult Over-30 Softball League is now taking

individual registrations for the 2013 summer season. We offer both a Men's division and a Women's division. Games are played on Friday evenings at 6:00 PM beginning July 5, 2013. The season wraps up with a championship tournament in mid-late September. All games are played at the Forest Hill Recreation Complex. Because of the number of available fields, the league must be limited to 9 teams for each of the Men's and Women's divisions. General registration for new players begins April 21st. This has become a popular league and there are a limited number of openings for new players. All talent levels are welcome. The league's primary emphasis is fun and friendship through softball. Registration is \$25.00 per player and continues through May 27th on a first-come/first served basis until the league is filled. For information, please call Chris Benjes, (410) 893-6456, cbenjes@comcast.net or Cyndi Clark, 443-942-1341, cyndi_13838@msn.com.

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Ladies Barbell Class

Sherri Woosley

Ladies Barbell class forming now! \$5 per class and all equipment is provided. Meets at Forest Hill/Hickory Activities center on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:15am beginning Thursday, May 2nd. Info: Sherri Woosley, 410.836.9518 or sherri.woosley@verizon.net.

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Summer Youth Tennis Program

Start date Monday June 17th

End date Thursday July 25th

\$60.00 for 2 days a week (Monday and Wednesday or Tuesday and Thursday) or \$120.00 for 4 days a week

[Check the rec's web site](#) for more info.

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Summer Art Camps

Nicki Jergensen

Exploration Art School

Summer Art Camps, After School & Weekend Art Classes
For Elementary, Middle & High School students

Summer Art Camps

Mini Drawing Camp

June 17th - 21st

Ages 8 - 15

9:00AM - 11:00AM

\$90 and includes a sketchbook

Location: Forest Lakes Elementary School

Mixed -Media Art Camp

June 24th - 28th

Ages 5 - 15

Drawing, Painting & Sculpture

9:00AM - 1:00PM

(Pack a Peanut free Snack)

\$150 and includes a camp t-shirt

Location: Forest Lakes Elementary School

Mixed -Media Art Camp

July 15th - 19th

Ages 5 - 15

Drawing, Painting & Sculpture

9:00AM - 1:00PM

(Pack a Peanut free Snack)

\$150 and includes a camp t-shirt

Location: Forest Lakes Elementary School

Volunteers/Summer Camp helpers: Are you a High School/College art student?

Are you goal oriented and looking for more experience working with your art? Are you interested in learning how to work with children through art?

Are you in college majoring in Special Education?

Do you need to complete any community service projects or classroom hours?

Camp Registration or Contact Information

Nicki Jergensen

410.652.6411

nickijergensen@mac.com

www.explorationartschool.com

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Dance

Pam Long

Our Forest Hill Dance Program serves the needs of dancers ages 3 and up through high school. We believe our program is one of the best in Harford County as we provide a program with the emphasis on fun and learning the discipline of dance. Our five instructors are skilled and dedicated teachers.

Our program begins in September and culminates with a large end of year production in the spring which all dancers ages 4 and up participate. This is different from some dance programs that run for a session of several weeks and just end with the final class. This requires a significant time commitment towards the end of our season and requires some additional costs to parents (i.e. costumes, recital tickets, photos). Our 3 year old classes end with an in-studio performance for their families.

All classes are held at the Forest Hill/Hickory Activities Center located at 2213 Commerce Road in Forest Hill where we have the use of two studios. Each are equipped with dance floors and mirrors with wall mounted barres in one of the studios.

Our schedule for next year's season will be ready in July. I encourage parents to begin contacting me in July to see what days/times are available for their child. Registration is not currently available online. However, a registration form along with our program details and newsletter can be emailed or mailed to parents who can then return the completed forms with their payment.

I am pleased to report that once again this past holiday season, in lieu of holiday gifts for our instructors, our parents helped raise \$410 for Operation Smile. We helped several children with cleft conditions. What a great way to help others!

Detailed information about our program is available on [our website](#) (you can also go to www.foresthillrec.com & then click on Dance on the list of programs on the left side). Be sure to read our Introduction and then if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly.

Thank you -

Pam Long

Mypal06@verizon.net

410-836-5257

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Harford Film Camp

David W. Warfield

HFC is a fun and challenging summer film camp for teens with an interest in filmmaking and digital media. Together we create a story. We then apply filmmaking skills including Writing, Acting, Directing, Camera, and Sound to shoot and finish the movie. Film Camp director David Warfield facilitates, teaching the various skills and basic film set operations. So if you have experience, great, but none is required.

If you have a special area of interest, we can focus on that. Everyone has something to offer and plenty to learn in the collaborative team effort of making a film. Our goal is to develop creative and technical skills, and come away with a great, well-crafted short film that we can submit to festivals and screen for family and friends.

Harford Film Camp supplies all the necessary equipment. We're located in Forest Hill area, though the exact location may change from session to session. Work is active, outdoorsy, and all-weather. Our first scheduled session for 2013 runs for two weeks, beginning on July 15 and ending on July 26. Camp meets Monday through Friday.

Tuition fee for a two-week session is \$650.00. Drinks and snacks are provided. Students bring their own lunch. Enrollment is limited to small groups of between six and twelve students.

For complete details, please see Harfordfilmcamp.org or .com (Note: we are in the process of rebuilding our website – temporary page is harfordfilmcamp.org)

CONTACT –

email: info@harfordfilmcamp.com tel: 310-600-2607

Also david@storysolver.com

David W. Warfield, Harford Film Camp Director

A Harford County native, David Warfield is a teacher, filmmaker, and screenwriter with broad experience in the film industry, including many years working in Los Angeles. David has taught filmmaking and screenwriting at Loyola University, UMBC, Towson University, Morgan State, and Dickinson College.

David was a producing fellow at the American Film Institute in Hollywood, and holds a Master's Degree in Screenwriting from the University of California, Los Angeles. He is a member of the Writer's Guild of America, West, and the University Film & Video Association. He has served as an advisor to the Sundance

Screenwriters Lab in Prague, Czeck Republic.

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Aerobics

Chris Miles

"Make your muscles smile" is a fresh approach to fitness offering a mix of cardio and toning including various dance styles, athletic training, yoga and pilates.

Classes will be offered at 6 pm on Mondays and 9 am on Saturdays with sessions beginning in January, April, June and September.

Program meets at FHES and Forest Hill/Hickory Activities Center. For program and registration information contact Mary Ann at 410 838-1319.

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Zumba

Linda Ritter

Zumba classes are offered on a year round basis following the public school schedule with sessions beginning in January, April, June, and September. The zumba program meets on Saturday from 10:00-11:00AM at the Forest Hill/Hickory Activities Center. Enrollment for this program is open on a pro-rated basis.

For program and registration information on winter, spring, summer, and fall classes contact Linda Ritter 410-838-1345.

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