

# In Touch

Fall/Winter 2012



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## In Memoriam



**Robert J. Halsall, Sr.**  
**1943 – 2012**

November 23, 1943 - July 16, 2012

### Obituary

Halsall Sr, Robert James "Bob", age 68 passed away July 16, 2012 as the result of a drunk/drugged driver. He is now at peace with his Lord and Savior. Bob was born in Sacramento, California to the late Gilbert and Lucille Halsall, November 23, 1943. He was also preceded in death by his sister Dorla Briggs. Bob was employed by the United States Air Force for 34 years as a program analyst. He began his career at the Sacramento Air Logistics Center in California then moved to Wright Patterson Air Force Base. Later he moved to Wash-

ington DC and then back to Wright Patterson AFB prior to retirement. Bob was a life member of the Sterling, Virginia Volunteer Rescue Squad. While living in Fairborn, Ohio in the mid 1960s he was very active with the Fairborn Auxiliary FOP and St Mark's Lutheran Church.

Bob was the past president and manager of the Sycamore Creek Home Owners Association. He was also a member of the Miami Valley Chapter of the Mended Hearts Association and the Sugar Creek Presbyterian Church.

Bob is survived by his wife Judy Halsall, children: Bob (Tova), Dan (Laura), April (Gary) Hayes, and Jason (Karen), grandchildren: Mathew and Jeremy; Richelle, Brittany, Kirstie, Blake and Alex; Emily and Josh; Tyler, Brandon and Lauren, great-grandchildren: Travis, Gavin and Mason, sisters: Norma Bargstadt and Paula Link both of Sacramento, CA., mother-in-law Dorothy White, sister-in-law Janice Studebaker, a host of nieces and nephews, many aunts, uncles, cousins and dear friends.

## A Message From The President



*Mr. William Ziegler*

*To the residents of SCHOA:*

This newsletter is in memory of Bob Halsall, our long time and active resident, former board member, president and association manager whose life was tragically cut short due to an automobile accident this past July. Bob worked for the love of the association and was much appreciated. Please let us join together and show our prayers, thoughts, support and friendship for Bob's wife, Judy.

Enjoy the autumn, let's be neighborly and let's hope we will have another mild winter. We'll talk to you again next Spring/Summer newsletter.

Sincerely,  
 William Ziegler

## Special Event Held

An international pool party/picnic was held at the clubhouse on August 25, 2012 in honor of Bob Halsall. A non-denominational prayer was given by our own resident, Father Ed, the WSU chaplain. It was a time to reflect on the many special services/memories Bob provided to our SCHOA community since 1989. Pictures on page 3.

## Editor's Comment

*In this semi-yearly edition of the In Touch Newsletter attempts are being made to highlight and discuss some of the more important issues affecting our community. Thank you.*

## Board of Trustees

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## Neighborhood News

Welcome to Sycamore Creek,

The Board welcomes all of our new owners and renters to Sycamore Creek!

- **Holiday decoration:** Decorations are permitted during a recognized holiday events. We ask that our residents observe good taste and common sense. Please be careful with decorative item that can be a fire hazard. Contact our association managers for more information.
- **Respect:** please respect your neighbors when parking, playing music or hosting a party. Ask your guests to park on Sanzon Drive or if you are hosting a party at the clubhouse, ask your guests to use the parking lot at the clubhouse. Please do not vandalize neighbor's yards, pets or other common areas at SCHOA.
- **Pets.** SCHOA Pooh corner at the end of Sanzon drive is opened to all residents to take their pets to do their business. Please turn left or right at end of Sanzon drive toward the walkway opening to enter Pooh corner.
- **Concrete:** Concrete maintenance was identified during the Spring Walkthrough in April and was fixed during the middle of summer and is now completed for this year.
- **Retiree Social Club:** The club is now meet the last Monday of each month at 10:00am. The next meeting is Sept 24th at the clubhouse. This would be open to all retired or Simi-retired residents or owners. Please contact us by E-mail at schoa@siscom.net or by phone at 937.426.8960.
- **The swimming pool:** has closed for the season. It will reopen next spring.

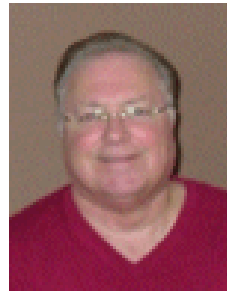
## Landscaping Reminder

A landscaping issue has come to the attention of the Board of Trustees at SCHOA. It should be noted that the small area between the garage and the front door-belongs to the unit owner who is responsible for planting, trimming and maintaining that small area. The association reserves the right to trim this area if it becomes unsafe or unsightly.

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Please contact the association before doing any work outside of your unit or installing equipment (satellite dish, swing or wood storage). Remember, the association owns the outside of your unit and you must get permission from the Board.

## Spotlight from the Fall of 2010



Mr. Robert Halsall  
Association Manager, former president of SCHOA, former SCHOA member-at-large and husband of Judy Halsall (current SCHOA Treasurer).

I was born and raised in Sacramento (Rio Linda), California. After school (1963) I went to work with the US Government at McClellan AFB in Sacramento.

In 1965 I was transferred along with my job to Wright-Patterson AFB in Fairborn, Ohio. After seven years in Ohio I decided to further my carrier and accepted a position at the Pentagon, Washington, DC. During the next seventeen years I advanced myself to the position of Deputy Chief of the Americas Division in Foreign Military Sales (FMS). In this position I was responsible for all Air Force sales to Latin America. While living in Virginia I served as a volunteer with the Sterling Volunteer Rescue Squad where I advanced to the position of President and also served as their Assistant Chief of Operations. I am currently a life member of the rescue squad.

In 1988 I decided to change my lifestyle and took an assignment back at Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio where I served as the FMS Program Manager for F-16 engines to Turkey, Egypt and Greece until I retired in 1997.

In 1989 I was blessed with marrying Judy White and moved to Sycamore Creek Condominiums. Shortly after moving to Sycamore Creek I became involved in the management of the development and served as the Board of Trustees President for ten years. I also served in positions of Vice President and member-at-large.

After leaving the Board of Trustees, I continued as a consultant to the Board regarding management. After trying several professional companies to manage the development with less than satisfactory results, I along with Clara Fletcher submitted a proposal for the management position which was subsequently accepted by the Board. Clara and I have been co-managers for the past several years.

I have four children, eleven grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

October 2, 2012	Tentative SCHOA Monthly Meeting
November 13, 2012	Tentative SCHOA Monthly Meeting
November 11, 2012	Veterans Day
December 4, 2012	Tentative SCHOA Monthly Meeting
December 15, 2012	Annual Letter should be sent out
December 25, 2012	Merry Christmas
January 1, 2013	Happy New Year!!!
January 8, 2013	Tentative SCHOA Annual Meeting

\*\*\***Note:** The board had voted to not have board meetings on various months during the year. Of course, any emergency or important items that need to be discussed for those months the president will call for a meeting with full board.

## Fall/Winter Reminders

- The front porch area is not to be used for storage even if items are in storage containers. Grills are to be kept on the side patio. Also, nothing is to be fastened to the outside structure of you unit. Exceptions are flowering plant and porch swing that have been approved by the Association. The Association reserves the right to remove unapproved items and will store items for up to 30 days at the owner's expense. Storage fees are \$10.00/day. After 30 days the unredeemed items will be disposed of.
- Get out that garden hose and hose down the exterior of your unit (every three months)!
- Test your smoke alarm!
- No wood may be stored directly on the pavement of the front porch or be in contact with any siding. Wood must be stored in appropriate metal racks. Keep wood away from the unit to keep termites away and keep the wood off the grass areas next to your unit.
- Please remember to tune up your heat pump and replace the filter inside before the winter season. The filter can be purchased at Lowes or Home Depot between \$4 to \$20.
- Please remember to be patient during snow removal season, it does take time for our contractors to come out and take more time to do the entire complex. Our contractors come out when 2.5in. or more snow on the ground.

## Pictures at The International Pool Event held in honor of Bob Halsall



Approximately 15-20 residents showed up at the event.



We have cuisines ranging from American, Mexico to India and Italy.



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- SCHOA Office.....937.426.8960
- Fairborn Police Department.....937.754.3000
- Fairborn Fire Department.....937.754.3000
- Greene Memorial Hospital.....937.429.3200
- Fairborn Post Office.....937.878.4647
- Fairborn Utility Billing Office.....937.754.3007
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- SBC Ameritech Phone Service.....800.660.1000
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