



# Belews News

## Belews Landing Homeowners Association Newsletter

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### Calendar

**Board Meeting**  
February 27  
6:30 pm  
Clubhouse

**Wine Tour**  
March 29  
10:00 am

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## New Board Member

The Board has appointed **Roy Montague** to fill the vacancy on the Board created by the resignation of **Sherrie McBride**. He will become the

Secretary and **Steve Black** will return to the At-Large position. Please thank Roy for his willingness to serve our community in this way.

## New Committee Members

**Sherry Tumlin** recently joined the Communications Committee and **Nicole Gillespie** has expressed a willingness

to join the Social Committee. Additional volunteers for the Social Committee are still welcomed.

## Budget Ratification

Although the original budget for 2014 was ratified on December 17, 2013, changes in anticipated revenues and expenditures required a revised budget. The revised budget was ratified during a

meeting of the membership on February 13, 2014.

Minutes of all meetings are posted on our website as soon as they are approved.

## Amendments Registered at Rockingham County



The amendments to the Belews Landing CCR passed by the membership last year are now officially registered with the Rockingham County Register of

Deeds. Thanks to the board members for getting the final steps completed. The official copy of these amendments and all the other governance documents (e.g., CCR and Bylaws) are available on our website at

<http://www.belewslanding.org/docs-governance.html>.

## Turnover of Windward Roads

The roads in the Windward section have now been taken over by the North Carolina Department of Transportation. **Mike Lentz** has volunteered to find out

the actual turnover date. Any issues with the turnover will be discussed with the NC DOT. Stay tuned for more information.

## Activities of the Crows Nest Road and Gate Committee

The Crows Nest Road and Gate (CNRG) Committee met in January and outlined an action plan for repair of the private roads within Crows Nest.

*Crows Nest Drive, Leeward Drive, Widows Walk Court, and Windjammer Lane:*

In the first quarter of this year, AMG (community's management company) and the Committee will solicit bids for the repair of approximately 7,500 sq. ft. of road surface on the above-named streets. The bids are to include 1) excavation of the damaged asphalt and base materials, repacking the base with 8 inches of stone, and paving with 2 inches of asphalt; 2) grade and pack shoulders where necessary to support the edges of the roadway; 3) collection and hauling off-site

all debris; and 4) warranty and insurance documents of the contractor. We expect the work to be performed in the second quarter of 2014. The CNRG Reserve Fund, with revenue from 2014, should be sufficient to cover this work.

*Yardarm Court:*

The Belews Landing Development Company has committed to the repair of road surfaces on Yardarm Court. The BLDC planned the repair for the first quarter of 2014, but the CNRG and HOA Board will recommend second quarter for more favorable weather and after completion of the current building construction on the cul-de-sac.

## Chili Cook-Off

Congratulations to **Richard Verner** who won the chili cook-off at the clubhouse on January 25. **Jimmy Rider** and **Sarah Bailey** took second and third places, respectively and the other competitors were **Jeannie Renken**, **Nancy Lewis**, and **Patti Hefner**. Approximately 25 people attended and enjoyed an evening of good food and good fellowship. Thanks to **Kari Pedersen** for doing a great job of organizing everything.



## Snow at Belews Landing

If you live anywhere near the Piedmont Triad, you already know that Belews Landing received a substantial snowfall on February 12 and 13 (officially

9" in Stokesdale). The landscape contractor was able to have all roads open by mid-morning on the 13th—thanks David!

## New Residents

The following residents have joined our community during recent months. Please welcome them to Belews Landing.

**Sandy Bohland** and **Kathy White**, 142 Keel Ct. (New house built by Serenity Construction)

**Jon** and **Wendy Hicks**, 326 Crows Nest Dr. (New house built by Johnson and Lee Builders)

**Brian** and **Alicia Sechrist**, 110 Windjammer Ln. (New house built by R & K Builders)

## Chili: Why Do They Call It Chili If It Is So Hot?

(Contributed by **Elbert Glover**)



Congratulations Richard on your chili cook-off victory, how about sending over a bowl for I love, love, love good chili. My food fantasy has always been to open a chili parlor, consequently, have thought a great deal about this heavenly concoction. I am always in search of great chili.

Actually, whenever I meet someone who does not enjoy chili then I've usually found someone who has never tasted good chili or is a vegetarian. Because of the meat, vegetarians may not enjoy chili but some may not be aware that the word "vegetarian" is an old Indian word for "bad hunter"... Ok, bad joke. Seriously, I should note that vegetarian chili is not really considered chili in official chili cook-offs. Nonetheless, no other food has inspired the passionate following that chili has. Have you ever heard of a society dedicated to the appreciation of cheesecake, or a newspaper/newsletter that deals solely with croissants, or renowned chefs quarreling over the ingredients for chocolate mousse?

Yet chili has all of these elements -- dedicated societies, newspapers, and quarrels, even a prayer -- and much more. Something in the personality of this bowl of fire gave birth to an international cult movement. Chili lovers come from all walks of life. Chili attracts truck drivers, celebrities, doctors, lawyers, politicians and teachers. Rich and poor undergo a Jekyll/Hyde-like transformation and mild-mannered pillars of the community show no mercy when the topic of conversation turns to controversial chili. Their baptism by fire has made them missionaries for life.

### ***About Our Association***

#### *Board Members*

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#### *Clubhouse Rental*

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Having been born into and raised on Texas chili, we were taught in school that chili was born in Texas prisons as a way of making poor quality meat palatable. Prison cooks did such a good job that prisoners often hated being paroled knowing they would never find such tasty chili on the outside. The further you get from Texas, the epicenter of chili's birthplace and the region of greatest dedication, the greater the variations.

All over the country chili lends a zing to those familiar favorites the ubiquitous frankfurter (chili-dog), of course, and the humble hamburger (the all-American chili-burger).

- Cincinnatians sometimes add lettuce and invariably serve chili over a bed of spaghetti.
- Louisvillians stir in broken tamales, usually the canned variety.
- Kansas Citians go totally American and serve chili over macaroni, sometimes even baking them together in a casserole well known to school kids as chili-mac.
- Admittedly variations pop up even in Texas, as I always enjoyed a rodeo salad, which is a bed of green salad topped off with real chili, a few jalapeños posing as cherries accompanied by a side of saltine crackers.
- And Dallasites have honored Fritos--a hometown product -- with a concoction of chili over Fritos, cheese, and onions. Growing up we called it Frito pie, I love it, as it gives a crunch to my chili.

Incidentally, I have investigated Greensboro closely for the best chili and I have found Jason's Deli at Friendly Shopping Center to have the best. Jason's Deli is a chain founded in Beaumont, Texas.

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