

# Help Control Maintenance Fees!!

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It is *critical* that you are aware of what is going on in your Association. Do you know which Board members supported the last fee increase? Which encourage resident involvement? Which support open government? If the annual election was today, would you know which Board members shared your views?

The Association's official newsletter doesn't tell you what you need to know. Therefore, the *Concerned Owners* group has started its own independent e-newsletter to help get you the real story. If you have access to e-mail and would like to receive a copy, just send your e-mail address\* to:

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## - FEE UPDATE -

After considerable effort, a new Finance Committee was appointed in February and will be doing what it can to help control our escalating maintenance fees. The committee has already met 3 times and made several recommendations to the Board.

Efforts to revisit the recent \$19/month fee increase have stalled at the insistence of some Board members, and after a more probable reason for the increase surfaced - the \$100,000+ operating fund deficit, \$48,000 deferred maintenance fund deficit, and \$255,000 owed to the capital reserve fund (source: December 2004 financial statement).

**There are hints of another fee increase to replace the \$14 a month special assessment that expires at the end of this year!!!**

If this happens, that would equate to a **65% fee increase** over the last 6 years. You can help prevent this from occurring simply by following the actions of the Board of Trustees. *Concerned Owners* has just made this as easy as ever - please see reverse.

Sincerely,

Concerned Owners of Society Hill Piscataway

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