

# CANDIDATE PROFILE

**Cindy Bitowf**  
**378 Lancaster Court**

## BIOGRAPHY:

Owner/resident at Society Hill since 1995.

**Job history** – I am an Information Technology (IT) professional who worked at AT&T (1984-2000), Lucent Technologies (2000-2005) and am now employed by TIAA-CREF in NY.

**Hobbies:** I'm the Vice President & stage manager for the Celtic Theatre Company (CTC), based at Seton Hall University in South Orange. I've been involved with the CTC for the last 20 years. You'll also find my business partner and I at various craft fairs in the area selling handmade body products – just look for Celtic Chairde Creations. I also enjoy gourmet cooking, needlework and am an avid reader.

## REASON FOR SEEKING ELECTION:

I've been living here at Society Hill for the last twelve years – thought it was time to volunteer my services. I took over a vacated seat in July 2006, ran in last year's election to confirm that appointment and am now serving as Vice President of the Board of Trustees. I haven't been thoroughly disillusioned and am still interested in contributing my time, experience and services to bettering the community in which I live.

Go n'eiri an t-adh leat (good luck) to all the candidates!

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## **Joanne A. O'Beirne 270 Hampshire Court**

### **BIOGRAPHY:**

I have resided in Society Hill at Piscataway for 13 years. I am the Administrator of a law firm in Clark, New Jersey and have worked in the legal field as a Legal Secretary, Paralegal, and Administrator for over 30 years. Past board of trustee member of Society Hill @ Piscataway 1995-2004

### **REASON FOR SEEKING ELECTION:**

During my 9 years of service to Society Hill at Piscataway I have held the positions of Secretary, Treasurer (at times both of these titles), and also President of the Association. I presently serve on the Finance and Landscaping Committee, and have done so far the past 12 years. I feel I made a great contribution to our community for 9 years of board service and to my neighbors over the past 12 years and would like to continue to make a difference in our community by being back on the board.

As a board member I had the opportunity to be involved in many of the significant projects throughout the community including fencing, pool resurfacing the purchase of patio furniture, playground equipment, various landscape projects, wing wall repairs, road resurfacing and ongoing concrete projects. I take great pride in my Community and the role in which I serve it.

Given my experience and key role as a past board member, I would like to continue to serve the Community. I feel that Society Hill is a wonderful place to live and would like to once again serve as a Board of Trustees member to continue to ensure that the proper steps are taken by our Board members to continuously improve our Community. Please feel free to contact me personally with any questions.

# CANDIDATE PROFILE

**Atif Nazir**

**541 Manchester Court**

## BIOGRAPHY:

I'm a six-year homeowner, master's and doctor's degrees in veterinary medicine. Pursuing master's in public health. Disease Surveillance Coordinator for the City of Newark. Former audit manager for prescription benefits company. Served on the Board for three years and as Treasurer for about two years.

## REASON FOR SEEKING ELECTION:

I would like to continue to control and reduce the maintenance fees. For the 2008 budget **I will not support a monthly fee of more than \$180/month** (\$60/month for affordable units). From my experience as Treasurer I think the **\$9/month decrease** (\$3/month for affordable) is realistic.

During my term on the board, I have delivered on my campaign promises I made three years ago:

- Opened up government for the homeowners
- No more closed meetings and back-room decisions affecting your pocketbook
- Maintenance fee reduction of \$5/month in 2006 and no increase in 2007

In addition, there has been a lot of change on the Board during my term and many other accomplishments that I have fully supported:

- Management is much more responsive to homeowner needs
- Big reduction in attorney fees
- Lower insurance premium
- Savings on irrigation water and power-washing contract
- Replacement of landscaping and pool contractors to improve service

If re-elected, I will continue to support every effort to further improve maintenance, snow removal, and landscaping services while at the same time keeping cost under control. I want to get maximum value for every one of your maintenance dollars.

*Please support me for continue to lowering the maintenance fees and providing a higher quality of service to the community!*

# CANDIDATE PROFILE

**Venkatesh ( Venky ) Selvaganapathy**

**194 Hampshire Court**

## BIOGRAPHY:

Hi there. I have been an owner of this wonderful community since 2000. I have a lovely wife and a handsome 2 year old son. I work at Dow Jones & Co., as a Team Lead and IT Architect. I have a great passion for coaching and leading my team to success in all the IT projects that I have handled over the past 12+ years. I have been awarded the Best Performance Award at my company twice in a row for my accomplishments. My educational background includes the PMP's Project Management Professional Credential(PMP), Masters in Computer Applications and Bachelors in Applied Sciences.

## REASON FOR SEEKING ELECTION:

Question: **WHY ME?** A good question every one should ask, before selecting me. Here is why:

I am running to help the Board make good management decisions through longer-term thinking and expense monitoring. I fully support the on-going efforts to make Society Hill a friendly, clean, safe, well-maintained and especially economical place to live. To that end, I support a reduction in the current maintenance fee. I want to go even a step further to setting the fee at **not more than \$180 per month** (\$60 per month for Mt. Laurel units) in the next budget.

**FACT:** I have spoken with some board members and understand the decision to lower fees needs one more vote to guarantee passage. Such a major milestone that affects you and me has the support of at least 3 members – Mr. Nazir, Mr. Machyowsky, and Mr. Wine. My vote would be the fourth to ensure passage.

The current budget situation definitely permits a modest fee reduction as a result of:

- huge savings in roof litigation and other legal fees,
- a favorable insurance market and lower premiums,
- reduced capital reserve account contribution due to good investment returns,
- savings on water, as a result of irrigation system upgrades,
- final repayment of wing-wall repair loan from capital reserve account,
- and savings from more reasonable contracts with local contractors.

If elected I can help the board by encouraging dialog and bringing them to a consensus on the most important issues. **I want to help to get FIRST THINGS done FIRST.** I expect to seriously analyze our service arrangement and consider ways to reduce costs and improve service, with a particular eye to the current effort by the board leadership to emphasize competitive bids from local service providers, rather than the usual large out-of-town contractors.

I strongly urge homeowners who do not want to see a repeat of the 67 percent maintenance fee increases, between years 2000 and 2005, to vote, only for candidates committed to supporting fee reduction now! So, **WHY NOT ME?**

Thanks for your time. I wish all the candidates well.