SHADES OF CRAYSDALE

Neighborhood News You Can Use

October 2009

ASSOCIATION DUES – Due December 15th

Annual Association dues are to be paid by December 15th of each year. Dues paid by December 15, 2008 will be for the 2010 calendar year (i.e., January-December). Annual dues are \$50. The GHA Treasurer, Ed Wolfe, will be sending out a dues notice shortly that includes a self-addressed, stamped envelope for your convenience! Please make checks payable to the "Graysdale Homeowners Association."

TRICK OR TREAT!

In Patton Township, Halloween will be celebrated from 6:00-8:00 p.m. on Saturday, October 31st this year. Expect to see a LOT of trick-or-treaters in the development during those hours! If you do not wish to participate, please simply turn off your outside house lights.

FOX SIGHTING

A fox has been seen frequenting the area by the retention pond that borders Meeks Lane (at the end of Forest Glen). Neighbors with small pets might want to take extra caution!

FALL BULK WASTE COLLECTION

Have big items you want to get rid of? Friday, October 23rd will be "bulk pick up day" for our neighborhood. Put your large items (furniture, bedding, carpeting, appliances, etc.) by the curb with your regular trash. Keep in mind that any usable furniture may be donated to Interfaith Mission or Centre Peace. Both organizations will gladly pick up the items. They will then mail you a letter listing the donated items so that you can take a tax deduction.

- Interfaith Mission: 234-7731- donates usable furniture to those in need
- Centre Peace: 353-9081- trains prisoners in a half-way program to refurbish items to sell

There is also a local chapter of "Freecycle," an international nonprofit movement of people who are dedicated to keeping things out of our landfills. The Centre County Freecycle consists of a Yahoo mailing list where folks post items they want to donate, for free, to someone else in the community. Participants can post "wanted" requests, too! Check out http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CentreCoPAFreecycle/ for more information.

LOOKING FOR THE CATABUS?

CATA has a great Web site, full of information about the 2 routes that serve Graysdale: The G and W routes. The G route stops in several places along Gray's Woods Boulevard, then continues out to Stormstown before returning back to State College. The W route stops at the Geisinger Medical Facility just outside of our entrance, then loops back to town. For details about schedules and even real-time location info, see http://www.catabus.com/ServiceSchedules/CATABUS/

LOOKING FOR A PLAY GROUP??

Diane Lipski (107 Ashwood) has volunteered to coordinate one for our neighborhood! Anyone interested in a neighborhood playgroup can contact Diane at runnerlipski@yahoo.com or 861-7181.

A DOG WALKING REMINDER...

We've received some complaints about folks having to clean up their sidewalks from fourlegged visitors! Please remember that dogs must be on leash and cleaned up after in Patton Township that includes anywhere in our neighborhood...sidewalks, too.

LIGHTS OUT?

As we continue to work our way toward longer days, please help our neighborhood be bright (and safe) by keeping a working bulb in your front light post! Street light outages need to be reported directly to Allegheny Power (they'll need to know the number of the post from the label on it). A handy link for reporting street light problems can be found on our Graysdale Web site http://www.graysdale.com (see the "Allegheny Power" link).

GRASS CLIPPING RECYCLING

(From the Patton Township Web site) "Patton Township residents may now dispose of their grass clippings, free of charge, at the Glenn O. Hawbaker Recycle Center/State College Borough Compost Facility located at 2145 North Atherton Street. The site is located behind the Fairfield Inn and Suites on North Atherton Street. Grass clippings may be dropped off any time that the center is open (Monday through Friday, 8am to 5pm / Saturdays, 9am-12pm). If you need additional information concerning the grass drop off location, please contact Patton Township at 814-234-0271 or for information concerning construction and demolition waste recycling contact the Glenn O. Hawbaker Recycle Center at 814-272-0008."

CHERRYWOOD STREET REP NEEDED

We STILL need a "street rep" for Cherrywood. This is a pretty low-stress job...just a point person the Board can go to for the street for tasks like distributing the newsletter to households who don't have e-mail and getting contact information for new neighbors. Please contact GHA Secretary Ann Taylor at anntaylor@psu.edu if you are willing to volunteer!

MOVING OUT?

Please remember to complete a "Resale Certificate" with your realtor so that the Association can be notified of the change of property ownership (part of our neighborhood bylaws). If you have any questions, please contact our treasurer, Ed Wolfe, at rewolfe1@comcast.net

NEW NEIGHBORS?

Have you just met a new neighbor? Please help us make sure we have them in our records...we want to officially welcome them to the neighborhood! (Plus make sure they are on our e-mail list!) Please send their names, address, and e-mail to GHA Secretary Ann Taylor at anntaylor@psu.edu.

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