

Fairmont Hill Happenings
December 2018
MERRY CHRISTMAS, HAPPY HOLIDAYS



\$10 DUES INCREASE JANUARY 1, 2019

As was spelled out previously with Spectrum Cable TV, there is an increase of \$5 to cover the new agreement for internet. The other \$5 is to cover other costs for increases in maintenance, repairs, replacements and vendor costs which are itemized in your recent mailing from Stonecastle which included the full budget. The good news we've heard is that some homeowners or tenants are saving as much as \$70 a month on internet fees with our \$5 deal.

The budget committee of owners with input from board members has done a good job of keeping our dues increase so low. Our neighboring Association has passed a \$30 a month increase in dues for mainly new roofs.

By keeping to occasional small increases we have avoided another special assessment hitting us. We need to keep ahead and with an association the age of ours, 40 years old, we have to expect things are going to need repairs and replacements more often and prices for that will rise.

THE YEAR 2018 IN REVIEW

The yearly maintenance and repair projects were ongoing, tree trimming, termite inspection and treatment, roof maintenance, and gutter cleanouts in addition to spot issues at a number of places for a variety of reasons.

Landscaping was redone at the entrance to the Echo Hill pool which is still ongoing. This area is a prime visibility location for prospective buyers. Many plants and a few trees were added to needed slopes and around residents homes. This is an ongoing project every month during landscape inspections.

Property values have been very high which resulted in more sales and more profit to our owners. When it seems the Board is being too picky, please remember the whole purpose is to maintain curb appeal, keep your property values as high as possible and the environment safe and enjoyable for all residents.

We are currently requesting bids for seal coating the asphalt and doing any necessary repairs as soon as weather permits. Vehicle oil leaks damage the asphalt and repairs would be homeowner responsibility to pay for reimbursing the Association so keep your vehicles leak free.

LIVE CHRISTMAS TREE PICKUP

As in years past we will have a large container at the end of Coachwood by the volley ball court for live trees only December 26th to January 7. After that date a tree can be left to the side of the trash bin next to it on your street if room.

VANDALISM AND 2018 VIOLATION ALERTS

We all paid \$1,300 for the vandalism done at all entrances to the community by someone mad at OC Patrol. He or she broke our signs at the entrances and spray painted the asphalt with "OC Patrol must go" There is a \$500 reward for anyone who can identify the person. It was done after midnight and before 7am on November 18 mainly at the Echo Hill entrance in the early morning hours.

We have continuous violators parking in front of garages, theirs and their neighbors. This is an immediate towing offence. The area is considered a fire lane and inhibits fire trucks from entering in case of fire. Children are at risk running out from behind the parked vehicle as well. Loading and unloading your vehicle is permitted but only for a very short time. The solution is simple. Clean out your garage and make room for vehicles. The next step we would need to take is to go to a permit system and then those of you with 3 or 4 cars will not get a permit if you are not using your garage for vehicles but only storage.

DOG FECES PROBLEM is ongoing due to thoughtless residents who don't care about their neighbors or children or landscape gardeners. Ten large piles of dog poop were seen next to one building. Gardeners will not remove this nor will they mow that area for safety reasons. Whoever owns the dogs need to clean it up and stop the health hazard and smell. Shame on anyone who does this.

COYOTE ALERT

Coyotes are being very visible and aggressive now. They are active daytime and night. They jump fences and take your kitty or dog for breakfast or dinner. So sad to see a missing cat or dog poster as the chances are the coyotes got them. Don't tempt them leaving dog and cat food out along with your pet. The only safe pet is an indoor pet.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE BOARD AND STONEKASTLE.

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Next Board Meeting 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, JAN. 9, 2019 Newsletter and alerts email sign up owners and tenants: fairmontcable@aol.com. Web page www.myhoa.com/fairmonthill