

Greenfield Estates Newsletter

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Dues for 2012

POA dues for 2012 will remain at \$75 per lot and are payable by January 1, 2012. For the second year in a row, the Board of Trustees has approved a **one-time** savings to those residents who pay their dues a bit early. If your dues payment is postmarked or delivered **on or before December 15, 2011**, the total due per lot is **\$60**. Perhaps an easy way to remember this deal is **"Save 15 by the 15th."** The Board is able to offer this savings because it continues to spend POA funds sensibly and believes the savings will be appreciated by residents. Additionally, the time and money spent by the POA to remind residents to pay their dues can be expensive. Please keep in mind that this is a one-time only arrangement. Any resident who pays dues after December 15, 2011, the amount due is \$75. In addition, any resident with dues in arrears must pay the entire amount due by December 15, 2011, in order to qualify for the reduced rate for 2012. The Board of Trustees is not responsible for missing postmarks. For those who take advantage of this offer, an email will be sent acknowledging timely receipt of the dues. If you would like to receive such a notice but have not shared an email address, please do so. Dues notices should arrive in your mailbox by December 1, 2011, and will include, as always, a self-addressed stamped envelope for easy return of your payment. Questions about this deal should be directed to Mark Weedy, POA President.



Dues Delinquency Policy

Please be advised that the Board of Trustees has changed the dues delinquency policy, as follows:

1. Annual association dues are due **January 1** of each year. Property owners are notified early in December.
2. If payment is not received by **February 1**, a certified letter will be sent to the delinquent property owner with a copy to the board's attorney.
3. If payment is not received by **March 1**, a lien will be filed on the property for the amount of the delinquent dues plus the cost of filing and releasing the lien.

Garage Sale Dates for 2012

For those who plan ahead, the Board of Trustees has set the garage sale dates for 2012 as follows:

- **June 15-16**
- **September 7-8**

Please keep in mind that these are the only dates these kinds of sales are permitted in Greenfield Estates.



Neighborhood Watch

Don't forget that the Neighborhood (Community) Watch program is still in effect in Greenfield Estates. The following tips should be helpful as we all watch for criminal activity in our neighborhood:

- Indoor and outdoor lighting during nighttime hours are good deterrents to would-be thieves. Such lighting makes it look like you are home even if you are not! Timers are a good way to have lights come on and go off at times you designate. If you have a security system in your home, you may be able to incorporate lighting into your system.
- The Fairfield County Sheriff's Department offers a "Vacation Check" program where deputies will come to your home and check on it while you are on vacation. Check out the details on the POA web site in the "Links" tab.
- If you are going on vacation, consider asking your neighbor(s) to keep watch over your home while you are gone. Let them know what vehicles, if any, will be at your home or in and out of your driveway.
- Make sure you stop your mail and/or newspapers (or have a neighbor collect them) while you are gone. Have your neighbor pick up The Advertiser, that weekend freebie newspaper.
- The green reflective 9-1-1 sign helps authorities (fire, police, medics) find your home easily, especially in the dark. You may purchase the signs for \$8.00 at the Greenfield Township Fire Department.
- Do not leave a garage door opener, GPS device, or other electronic items in a vehicle that is parked outside. Someone could break into your car, steal the item(s), and use the garage door opener to come back and enter your home with relative ease.



Snow Removal

It will soon be that time of year again....when the snow starts flying and shoveling begins. When you remove snow from your driveway, please consider paying close attention to the area around the mailbox. Clearing snow from that area makes it easier for the postal carrier to deliver your mail.



Kudos to Residents

Kudos to the following residents for their assistance this year:

- ***Rick & Shelly Hawkins*** for the upkeep of the front entrance. It continues to look great!
- ***Rick Burns*** for keeping an eye on and repairing the lights at the front entrance to see that they work properly. Rick provides the labor for free and charges the POA only for parts.



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