

Tollgate Fare

November, 2002

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Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Tollgate Association will be held on Sunday, November 17, 2002 at the home of Edna Frady (102). Due to scheduling conflicts, the meeting will be from 4-6pm. If you cannot attend, please be sure to give someone a proxy so we can be sure to have a quorum. Thanks to Edna for her gracious hospitality.

Holiday Decorating

The annual Tollgate Decorating will be held on Saturday, December 7th at 10 am. Residents are urged to place a single electric candle in each front window starting December 1st.

Holiday Party

The Tollgate Holiday Party will once again be held at the home of Terry Parsons (127). Please bring an appetizer or other tasty munchies. Thanks to Terry for his gracious hospitality.

Tollgate Board Election

Nominations are being sought for an open seat on the Board to replace Terry Zawacki who is finishing her term. As ours is an aging community (the common grounds, not the people, of course), the Board is increasingly faced with expensive maintenance decisions, such as, repairing the brick walls and wrought iron fencing at the entrance to the property, cutting down and replacing hazardous and/or dying trees, and how best to schedule repair of parking pads and driveways. Because these decisions are of concern to all homeowners, we urge you to become active members of our community by serving on the board. Let Lorraine Nasiatka (703 241-0364) know if you are willing to put your name in nomination

Recycling

During the holiday season the normal trash pickups will be changed as follows:

- Thanksgiving Week – Refuse pickup on Tuesday, Recycling pickup on Wednesday.
- Christmas Week – Refuse pickup on Tuesday, no Recycling pickup.
- New Years Week – Refuse and Recycling pickup on Tuesday.

Yard Waste, Brush & Leaf Pickup

- Autumn 2002 Focus states that grass, leaves, and yard trimmings that are placed in 30-gallon paper yard waste bags with special stickers are picked up Mondays (except holidays), from January through October. Collection will resume Monday, January 6, 2003.
- Brush collection ends October 15th and will resume December 15th.
- Loose-leaf collection begins October 15th and will continue through December 15th.
- For further information call the Operations Division at 703-248-5081.

Landscape Committee

The landscape committee is accepting requests for landscape improvements from homeowners so that we can plan our winter and spring work. If you have suggestions or requests, please fill out a form that can be found at the tollgateway.org website.

Architecture Committee

The Architecture Committee met on November 6th and approved the following requests:

- 117 – New Cedar Shake roof.
- 112 – New shingle roof.

After consultations with contractors and reviewing trade association material on the subject, the committee has recommended that all of the stamped concrete driveways be sealed and stained to prevent further degradation from road salts and freezing and to provide a uniform color and appearance throughout Tollgate. The committee is in the process of determining an appropriate color and manufacturer of the sealer/stain product that should be used, so please wait for further details before attempting to do any work. The committee also felt that it would be a good idea to get bids from several contractors for all of Tollgate and allow homeowners to use a common contract to help reduce the costs. Sealing and staining the concrete is considered maintenance and will be the homeowner's responsibility. Repairs to those driveways that have extensive damage may be a shared expense between the homeowner and the Association. The committee will continue to look for appropriate repair methods and the Board will have to approve any work to be done.

For details go to Tollgate website at: www.tollgateway.org