

Tollgate Fare

November, 2003

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Holiday Party



The annual Tollgate Holiday Party will be held on December 14, 2003 starting at 5 pm. Paul and Anki Ehmer (109) have graciously agreed to host the party this year. Please bring an appetizer or other tasty munchies.

New Board Members

Starting in January, Tollgate has two new members joining the Board. Bill Arthur and Chuck Connor were elected at the annual meeting. Bob Donaldson and Anki Ehmer will be stepping down after their 3-year terms expire at the end of the year. The remaining board members are Tom Smolinski, Ella Lyons and Garry Sauner.

Driveways and Walkways

The Board has signed a contract with Schneider Contracting Corp for the resurfacing of the driveways and walkways. Due to the weather, work will probably not start until next spring.

Tollgate Dues

Just a reminder: the 2004 Tollgate Dues are due January 1, 2004 and are considered late after January 31, 2004. The dues this year are \$1,200.

Snow Removal

Just a reminder, Falls Church ordinances require homeowners to shovel the city sidewalk in the front of their homes. So if you fail to shovel and someone gets hurt slipping on your un-shoveled sidewalk, you are legally liable. Also, the city has asked us to not park any cars on the sides of the street when it snows so that the plow can plow the entire street, instead of a single lane as happened last year. Colin Ehmer has agreed to continue shoveling the front entrance this year and Anki says that he and Maura will be available, for a small fee, to shovel individual homes.

Cherry St. Development

The developers of the Cherry St. properties will meet with the Planning Commission in January to request a zoning change to allow 5-6 single family homes, instead of the existing 4 houses.

Winter is coming

Remember the snow we had last year? Please remember to not use any salt or other snow melting chemicals on your driveways, walkways or brick steps. Salt and other chemicals do tremendous damage to the concrete and mortar. Be prepared – go out and buy a bag of sand or kitty litter to spread on the ice.

Transitions

Sadly, Teena Rising passed away on Wednesday, November 26th. Teena had surgery to remove a tumor on the brain and seemed to be recovering nicely when she suddenly took a turn for the worse. The family delayed telling people until arrangements could be completed.

The service will be held on Friday, December 19th, 10:30 a.m., St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 3439 Payne Street, Bailey's Crossroads.

Internment will be at Arlington National at 1:00 p.m.

A reception will be held at LaCote D'Or Cafe at 2:00 p.m. Anyone planning to attend the reception should call Teena's nephew, Chris Carey, at 301-983-6424.

Teena was one of the original owners here on Tollgate. There now remains three "originals"-- Greear, Helga and Edna.

Christmas Lights

A reminder for some and information for those who are new to Tollgate: traditionally, Tollgate residents place only a single white candle in each window from the beginning of December until the New Year.

Have a happy holiday!