

Tollgate Fare

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Weather Report

Spring snow reminds us that winter does not want to leave. Fortunately, the area has replenished most of the reservoirs and ground water so we should be able to expect good blooms this spring and summer.

Still Ailing

Ray Edwards (124) has not been well recently and is still at Arlington Hospital. He's in pretty good spirits and enjoys visitors. When we last checked he was in room 217 if you would like to visit.

Maintenance

The board voted at the April board meeting to contract with Ivey Welding to repair the wrought-iron fence at the front of Tollgate. The repairs include replacement of 8 spear points that have been broken off and re-anchoring the fence to the brick piers.

Social Committee

Planning for the Progressive Dinner is underway. Anyone who would like to "open up their home" during this event should contact Anki (703-538 7308) for details before the end of April.

Tollgate Board Members for 2003

President Tom Smolinski
Vice President..... Anki Ehmer
Secretary..... Ella Lyons
Treasurer..... Bob Donaldson
Architecture Comm..... Garry Sauner

Committee Assignments

LandscapeTerry Zawacki
Trees..... Bob Donaldson
Architecture Garry Sauner
Social..... Anki Ehmer

Yard Waste, Brush & Leaf Pickup

Yard waste collection is provided on Mondays (except holidays), the first Monday in January through the last Monday in October, to residents who receive City refuse service. Acceptable materials include grass, leaves, and trimmings too small to be placed loose at the curb. Twigs may be included, as long as they are less than 12" in length and finger-size or less in diameter. Materials must be placed in special paper and yard waste bags, available at local stores. City collection stickers (50 cents per bag) must be affixed to bags. Stickers are available at City Hall (Environmental Services and Treasurer's Office), the Community Center, and local stores. Bags must be placed at the curb by 7 a.m.

For questions, contact the Operations Division of Environmental Services at 703-248-5081.

Architecture Committee

The Architecture Committee has been soliciting bids and information for the repair and maintenance on the stamped concrete driveways and walkways. The original treatment, which was a red brick color, has suffered significant fading and some damage due to lack of preventative maintenance over the years. The driveways and walkways need to be re-stained so they are all the same color and sealed to keep out salts and moisture so they will not continue to deteriorate. The committee believes that all the homes should be done at the same time to maintain a uniform color and continuity throughout Tollgate.

The committee is going to be looking at color samples and soliciting estimates during April and plans to make a recommendation to the Board at its May board meeting. The board will then address how we will be able to pay for the work. If sufficient funds are not available in the treasury, then a special meeting of tollgate homeowners may be required. We will keep you posted as plans evolve.

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