

Tollgate Fare

September, 2004

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Welcome New Residents

Please welcome Ed Bronikowski, Julia Bayzie, daughter Masha, dog *Keeper*, and two cats at 121 Tollgate. Also, welcome to Eric Kirschner, Rachel Talamonti, and son Zachary at 108 Tollgate.

Welcome Charles Michael Lyons

At approximately 10:38 am, September 20, 2004, Ella & Steve Lyons (124) became the proud parents of a new baby boy. Charles Michael Lyons (Charlie) weighed in at 9 lbs 6 oz and 22 inches long.



Parking in Tollgate

Thanks for your patience during the repair and painting of the parking pads. There are still a few more driveways to complete once the weather cooperates. When at all possible, please park in the overflow parking areas instead of on the street. The street is very narrow and with cars parked on both sides, it's nearly impossible to safely travel the street.

As a parking reminder for all new and existing residents, the Tollgate Way covenants state:

ARTICLE X

Section 14. Each house without a garage shall be assigned two parking spaces for the exclusive use of said homeowner.

Section 16. No boats, trailers, campers, trucks or old cars not regularly used shall be parked in parking areas, driveways or on the streets of said subdivision.

Fall Picnic

Sunday September 26, 2004 is the Fall Picnic from 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm. Invitations were sent to each homeowner with details. This year's event will be held on the front lawn of 118. The Social committee will provide the main dish and residents are asked to bring a side dish or dessert. Please contact Ella Lyons, 129, 703-536-7441 if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing everyone there!

Rodent Problems

Each homeowner is reminded to keep all trash in sealed containers if stored outside, and any type of birdseed and food off the ground. Several neighbors have seen rats and rat holes in Tollgate. Please contact Tom Smolinski, 135, (703) 533-3258 for assistance in treating this problem. Tom has consulted the city on the best possible treatment, which will keep other animals and children safe from the poison.

Brick Work

For those who have requested a quote for brickwork on steps or other areas, The King's Masons are due to respond some time in September. Busy schedules and delays have pushed the response time back with the masons. The Board is working on getting the information as soon as possible.

Water, Water, Everywhere?

With the recent hurricanes and heavy rains at times, it may seem like we are getting a lot of rain, but not so. While September is 3 inches ahead of normal, July and August were way behind. As a result we have one dead newly planted Willow Oak and many other trees that are suffering. At least two of our Oak trees have "leaf scald" from lack of moisture and the two Crape Myrtles at the front entrance have a full set of flower buds that have never opened because of lack of water. Most of the trees in Tollgate have much of their roots covered by pavement, sidewalks & driveways, and as a result, they have a hard time getting enough water to be healthy. In the hot summer months, homeowners should be watering the trees in their yards for about 1 hour, twice a week.

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