

RADNOR GREEN NEWSLETTER

RGCA Elections

The civic association held it's annual elections at the June meeting. We would like to take this opportunity to thank our outgoing members, Jinni Burns who was succeeded by Mario Fornoff as treasurer, and John Pflugard who was succeeded by Bob Gamble as Vice President. We appreciate all the time and effort both Jinni and John invested in helping out our community and wish them the best in all their future endeavors.

The board and officers for the upcoming year are as follows:

President	Carol Forsythe	(302) 798-9765
Vice President/newsletter	Bob Gamble	(302) 792-8004
Treasurer	Mario Fornoff	(302) 792-1140
Secretary	Michelle Canning	(302) 792-1843
Website Chairperson	Carl Colantuono	(302) 798-5632
Welcoming Committee Chairperson	Cheryl Wood	
Board Member	Billy Cole	
Board Member	Joe Jones	
Board Member	Lois Jones	

Snow Removal Contract

We have renewed our contract with Anthony Dambro for snow removal for the upcoming season and fortunately we have been able to renew the contract without any increase in cost over last year's contract. Mr. Dambro has been the snow removal contractor for many years in Radnor Green and we constantly receive compliments on his work in our community. We generally find if you drive through our neighborhood's streets immediately after a winter storm and compare them to the surrounding communities that his efforts are always top notch.

It is obvious by looking at the budget (see page 2) approved for the current fiscal year that snow removal is by far the biggest cost for the civic association. We find that people greatly underestimate what it costs to plow and salt the miles of streets in our association's boundaries. We wish we had an unlimited amount of money so we could have the plows and salt sent out every time there is any inclement weather, unfortunately; that is not the case and we constantly have to evaluate our money on hand with other factors to decide when to have the streets salted and plowed. (Cont.)

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Last season we ended up spending \$11,150.00 on snow removal. We only received \$9,375.00 last year in dues payments but were able to compensate for the disparity because we had started the year with a carry-over balance of approximately \$7,000.00. Due to the large expenditure on snow removal and only a 55% response to our dues requests last fiscal year, we begin this year with a carry-over balance of only \$3,000.

The minimum cost we incur for each snow removal is:

\$1,415.00 (to plow all streets)
+ 890.00 (6 tons of salt-enough for the hilly areas only)
\$2,305.00

Every time we need to plow and sand the neighborhood it costs us \$2,305. In order to pay this amount we need dues payments from just over 51 (\$2,305.00 / \$45.00) houses each time we have a storm! This doesn't take into account the money that is required for many of our other expenses such as our electricity bill, post office box rental, mailing expenses, etc.

Please keep these costs in mind and help support the community by paying your dues promptly. It costs us additional money to have to send out follow up notices to people who did not respond to the first request.

Approved budget for 2007-2008 on page 2

2007/2008 Approved RGCA Budget

Number of houses that paid in 2006/2007: 295

“Early Bird” dues amount: \$45.00

Estimated income from dues (if we get the same # of responses as last year): \$13,275.00

Existing account balance (as of 08/28/2007): \$ 3,249.59

2007/2008 Estimated Budget Balance: **\$16,524.59**

Budget Item	2007/2008 Budget Amount
Snow Removal	\$12,209.59
Communications	\$ 985.00
Delmarva Power	\$ 720.00
Entrance Island	\$ 715.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 500.00
Clean up	\$ 200.00
Contributions	\$ 50.00
Welcoming Committee	\$ 100.00
Post Office Box Rental	\$ 40.00
CCOBH Membership	\$ 25.00
Civic League Dues	\$ 25.00
Website	\$ 155.00
Audit	\$ 300.00
Social/Picnic	\$ 500.00
Total	\$16,524.59

Invoices and Community Survey

Please remit your dues payments promptly. We would also appreciate everyone taking the time to complete the survey/questionnaire that is attached and returning it with your payment.

RGCA
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Claymont, DE 19703

You can contact the board by email: board@radnorgreen.com. Don't forget to check the website www.radnorgreen.com for meeting notices and community news.

Anthony Dambro, General contractor

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