North Pointe Newsletter

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ANNUAL COMMUNITY YARD SALE MAY 31, 2008

[weather permitting]

2008 ANNUAL DUES

Each of you will soon be receiving your annual statement notifying you of the 2008 Dues of \$100.00. You can also consider this Newsletter as notice of the dues. Any unpaid dues for previous years <u>must</u> be taken care of immediately. If you have any unpaid dues remaining, you will soon be receiving a copy of a Lien that is being recorded with the Register's Office against you and your property. Needless to say, additional recording and collection fees are now added to what you already owed. If you want to satisfy your default, call *Jan Loman* (851-2865).

MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD

As you can see from the above listing of the Board's names, addresses and phone numbers, we now have a few openings available. Todd Trelstad, a previous member, has moved from our Community. We were very sorry to loose him from our team, as he was an asset to our Board. It was a pleasure working with him and having him as a neighbor. Now, it's time to go forward to rebuild our Board. So, if you would like to join the Board, we would sincerely love to have you on our team. Please just contact anyone of us and we will invite you to the next Board meeting.

There are a few items of immediate concern that the Board is currently focusing on:

- 1. **PARKING ON THE STREET:** Everyone has a driveway, and therefore you <u>MUST</u> use it <u>first</u>. Those of you who have garages, obviously should take advantage of them for your vehicles. Then, as a last resort if absolutely necessary, park on the street legally, following the following rules from the City of Millersville:
- (a) Cars parked on the street <u>must</u> be parked within 12 inches of the curb;
- (b) Cars parked on the street cannot be parked within 15 feet of an intersecting street;
- (c) As a side note in addition to the above, cars must be parked facing the direction of traffic flow, and
- (d) Commercial vehicles must <u>not</u> be parked on the street at all.

Violations to the above may result in a ticket from the City of Millersville.

Also – it is important to remind each and everyone of us, that interference with the delivery of the U.S. Mail by parking near or in the way of a neighbor's mailbox is not acceptable. Needless to say, this also applies to parking and interfering with our weekly garbage pickup.

In addition, we must address the parking of vehicles at the far ends of each street. Even though the ends of each street are not accessible to the flow of regular traffic, in the event of an emergency, this area must remain clear in case our City emergency vehicles need to access any of our homes. We recently had a situation when one of our homes had a kitchen fire, and the fire engine and police cars had to dodge the cars on the street for access to the house on fire. In certain circumstances, the emergency vehicles might need to use the ends of the streets to come from a different direction. Therefore, it is very important we don't take any chances – so the ends of each street must not be blocked at all.

Bottom line ... don't park on the street unless there is absolutely no other alternative, and if you have to, please understand that you are taking a dangerous risk that might jeopardize the lives of others.

2. **PRESSURE WASHING:** It's that time again to address the maintenance of the outside of our homes – which means it's time for pressure washing. We are working with two qualified and responsible contractors:

Mike Watson, Image Restoration (506-5882), and Lawrence Hunley, Exterior Pressure Cleaning (372-4206).

Both companies come highly recommended by your own neighbors, and you will be extremely happy with the work they can do to clean your home, deck and driveway. The upkeep of your home is your own responsibility. However, it is the responsibility of your Board of Directors to make sure all our homes are clean and maintained. If your home needs to be pressure washed and you do not take care of it – then your Board of Directors will contact you. It <u>must</u> be cleaned in a timely manner. This is for your benefit in the long run – so please take pride in your home.

3. **YARD MAINTENANCE:** In a quick look around our properties, we have noticed quite a few **dead trees**. – short, tall, fat, small. A dead tree is obvious. There is absolutely no need to keep a dead tree in your yard. The longer it remains in your yard, there is a good chance it will snap off and fall. If it's a large tree – it may one day fall over and maybe hit your roof or part of your home. So, if you have a dead tree you would like removed and you need help, just give one of us a call and we can help arrange this for you. The cost to you now, might save you tremendous headaches in the future. So – let's take care of this now.

On the same issue of yard maintenance – this is the time of year that we all must pay particular attention to <u>mowing, trimming and general clean-up</u>. If you are unable to timely keep up with your yard work, or if you will be away from home for any length of time, you can call on *Ira Wade, Wade's Lawn Service* – 509-3793. Mr. Wade takes care of all our Community common grounds, and you can be assured that he will take the utmost care of your property when you are not able to.

4. <u>ARCHITECTURAL CHANGE REQUESTS</u>: Article III, Section 2 of our *Declaration of Restrictive Covenants* discusses the requirements necessary <u>before</u> anyone can make any architectural changes to the outside of your home. Approval by your Board is imperative. Therefore, please complete the form on the other side of this newsletter if you are considering any changes. We will let you know if your plans are approved. <u>No</u> architectural changes are allowed unless you have received prior approval from the Board.

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