LIMESTONE ACRES

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR! ANNUAL MEETING

Thursday, November 5, 2009 Delaware Swim & Fitness Ctr (Pike Creek) 7:00 to 8:30 PM

Delaware Swim & Fitness in Pike Creek is hosting our Annual Meeting. More details regarding our Annual Meeting are on Page 2.

The Architectural Committee <u>must</u> <u>approve</u> modification/changes to your property before construction starts. Please refer to your Deed Restrictions for more details.

PLEASE CURB YOUR DOGS!

From the President's desk

On September 29, 2009 we held our quarterly Board of Trustees meeting. We addressed and voted on the following items –

- Limestone Acres property values increased 2.5% over the last 30 days (based on zillow.com)
- 2009 Dues 98% collected –
 3 residents are still outstanding, If they miss their due date, LAMC will start the process for placing a lien on their property. Please contact me with any questions.
- Thank You to our State Representative Michael Ramone who attended our meeting and provided his input on local & state projects & events
- Re-invested Reserve Fund in ING Direct 6 month CD
- Do not forget to lock in your oil delivery rates
- Our opinion survey was overwhelming with members not in favor of Community Street Lights.
- Limestone Acres entrance wall & letter construction is complete & looks great.

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Architectural Committee Report

• Approved project – addition – property on Tapley.

Treasurer's Report

- TD Bank Checking Account closed due to fees
- WSFS Checking Account \$2000.00
- WSFS Interest Savings Account \$9070.22
- ING Direct CD Reserve Fund \$3000.00 plus interest

Annual Meeting – Thursday, November 7th – 7:00 to 8:30 PM

This year's Annual Meeting is going to be one for the ages....Plan your babysitter now, Set your DVR, Facebook your friends that you will be unavailable. This is not going to be your typical Annual Meeting, where the President stands in front of the room - boring you with blah blah talk.

First of all, we have a new premier location for our meeting. The Delaware Swim & Fitness Center in Pike Creek is hosting our annual event. The club is located at 4905 Mermaid Blvd, Wilmington, DE 19808, 302.234.8500. www.delawareswimandfitnesscenter.com. If you need a ride or detailed directions, please contact a Board Member.

We already have two guest speakers lined up, Senator Karen Peterson & State Representative Michael Ramone will be in attendance. This is your opportunity to hear about local, county & state projects & events from our team in office. You will also have the opportunity to thank them in person for their services and politely voice your opinion/concerns.

We do have one request. We would like to keep the meeting flowing – please prepare your question(s) ahead of time. If you prefer, you may email, call or deliver your question/thoughts to Charlie Tucci. (limestoneacres@comcast.net / 2409 Darnay Ln) All questions/thoughts will be consolidated, and a Board member will present each question/thought.

Finally, it is a social event to meet or just hang out with your neighbors. All property owners will have the privilege to vote on next year's Limestone Acres budget & annual assessment.

Voice your opinion, and Vote on items that affect you. What more could you ask for?

Civic Association Committee Annual Halloween Pumpkin decorating party.

- · Bring a Pumpkin to decorate.
- Saturday, October 24th at 4:00 PM.
- The Shields family is hosting the gathering in their backyard 2403 Darnay Ln.
- Rain or shine.
- Please see attachment with the RSVP information.
 - Let Brianna Shields or Natalie Tucci know if you have any suggestions for community events.
 - We would like to have a Progressive Dinner with our neighbors. Please let us know if you
 have any ideas or are interested in hosting.

Grass Cutting and Snow Plowing services

- LawnWorks, Inc. from Newark has been maintaining our beautiful common areas.
- LawnWorks will also be providing our community with their snow plowing services.

Weatherization recommendations

Start a "to-do" list of simple projects that will keep you comfortable and save you money on your energy bills.

Get started on your list with these personalized weatherization recommendations.

Your Top Ways to Save

- * Control air leakage save between \$391 \$651 per year.
- * Improve insulation save between \$123 \$205 per year.

Don't Let Drafts Drain Your Energy Budget

Gaps found where doors meet, parts of windows meet and doors meet the walls leak air and energy dollars. Caulk is a relatively inexpensive and easy-to-apply method for sealing those gaps and saving you money on your energy bill. Here are some helpful tips to get you started.

Caulk works best in gaps that are smaller than 1/2". Bigger holes should be filled with spray foam or rigid foam insulation.

Not all caulk is the same. The material of the surface area where you'll be applying the caulk to, will determine what type you need. Check the labels carefully to make sure you've chosen the right one. Avoid cheap, low-quality caulks as they can dry out and lose flexibility in just a few years. (information provided by Delmarva Power)

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