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# Heritage Valley Newsletter

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## Community Clean-up May 5<sup>th</sup>

Each year the Heritage Valley Area Community Association sponsors a community clean-up to spruce up the Heritage Valley neighborhood and surrounding streets for the spring and summer season. This year will mark our 3<sup>rd</sup> event and will be held on Saturday May 5<sup>th</sup> from 8am until 12noon. Participants should meet at the dumpsters that will be located on the corner of Ingledale and Valley Ridge. Immediately following the clean-up we will have a community potluck and meet and greet for all participants.



The amount of ground we cover depends directly on volunteers so we hope that you and your household will participate this year. If you are unable to partake in this event we ask that you clean the area around your property prior to May 5<sup>th</sup> paying special attention to curbs and streets adjacent to your home so that we can properly assess the areas of concern. The following items are not allowed in the dumpsters: automobile tires, parts, concrete, paint or major appliances please arrange pick-up of these items by calling 404.330.6333

### **Parking in the Community**

Long term and overnight parking on the street is frowned upon in the HV community and has become a major concern recently. We are seeing several residents parking work vehicles, family cars and tractor trailers on the streets on

a continual basis. Please utilize your driveway or carport for daily parking and reserve on street parking for short term visitors. On street parking is a safety concern as passerby's have to maneuver around cars or have their sight hindered as they try to peer around parked cars and tractor trailers at intersections etc. On street parking also contributes to litter as debris accumulates under these vehicles and hinders the City Of Atlanta street sweepers from being able to properly service the community. We are asking for your neighborly cooperation to minimize this occurrence however; during our monthly meeting we will be reporting tractor trailers & commercial vehicles etc to APD that are continuously parking on the street.

# **Conduct of Children Playing in the Neighborhood**

The time has changed, days are longer, weather is



becoming warmer and shortly school will be in recess. With all these facts more and more children will be

playing in the community. We are requesting that parents that reside in the community go over neighborly conduct, respect and safety with the children in their household as soon as possible. Since last year we have been having major issues with the conduct of the children in the community especially on Ingledale, Valley Ridge and most recently Glenview Circle. Everyone has the right to enjoy their home, yard and move about the community safely. Residents please do not allow your children to do the following:

- 1) Play, leave bikes personal property, litter or trespass on the property of others.
- 2) Congregate in the street or in the front of properties of residents that they are not visiting. If anyone is experiencing any of the above issues please call 911 and request an officer on the scene. We want to keep HV a harmonious place to reside throughout all seasons for everyone. Melvin Drive Park is within walking distance of the community as well as Ben Hill recreation center if parents need alternative areas of play

## Community Yard Sale June 2<sup>nd</sup>



If you didn't participate in our first annual community yard sale last year you don't want to miss out this year. We are hoping to grow this event each year with evervone's participation. It's wonderful advertisement for the community, a great fundraiser

for HV and allows neighbors to get to know one another as well. The cost is \$10 to participate which entitles your yard sale to be listed on the "official" flyer recognizing Heritage Valley yard sales that will be distributed to shoppers the day of the event and also covers other yard sale promotion. Participants should send their check no later than 5-25-12 to Heritage Valley Area Community Association, PO Box 311076, Atlanta, GA 31131. Official flyers will be delivered to the mailboxes of paid participants no later than 6-1-12. The official time will be from 8am -1pm. We hope all residents will support this fundraising event by either hosting a yard sale or by patronizing the yard sales of the residents that are participating.

**Looking Beautiful** Keep HV



Heritage Valley is one of the best kept neighborhoods in the SW corridor of Atlanta and we hope that your family will continue that tradition by doing the following:

> 1) Keep grass mowed and maintained on continuous basis either weekly or bi-weekly depending on the need of your lawn.

- 2) Sweep and remove trash or debris that may have accumulated in the curbs or gutters adjacent and in front of your property on a weekly basis.
- 3) Place trash cans out of sight from the street traffic and place them on the street for garbage pick-up no earlier than Tuesday night of each week and removed from the street and stored by 7pm on Wednesdays after pick-up.

We will begin to beef up our reporting of overgrown lawns to Code Enforcement in the month of April now that growing season has begun.

### Report Problems you see in HV to the Proper Agency.



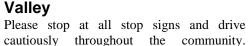
Officers work hard to keep the integrity of HV however; this responsibility is in everyone's hands that reside in the community as well.

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Code Enforcement can be reached at 404.330.6190 they will look into overgrown lots, unsafe properties etc and prosecute violators.

- Community Orientated Police (C.O.P.S) division of APD can be reached at 404-546-5650 they will investigate unlicensed business, boarding houses, possible drug sales and things of the like.
- The Atlanta Housing Authority can be reached at 1-888-AHA-4YOU and they will investigate properties that are on their program that are posing problems within the community

#### **Obey Traffic signs in Heritage** Valley STOP



Several residents have voiced serious concerns regarding drivers not stopping at signs on Heritage Valley Rd and Rolling Green as well as unsafe driving on Pine Cone Drive. Please be cognizant of your driving throughout the community because we don't want anyone to get hurt especially a fellow neighbor.