

Circle Ginny Homeowner's Association

Established 1978

Mission Statement



The primary purpose of the Circle Ginny Homeowner's Association is to protect and preserve the value of the privately and commonly used property.

From the President

Putting the Brakes on Unsafe Motorists – Motorist who speed, drive recklessly, or who are distracted or impaired are at greater risk not only of causing crashes, but also of failing to react in time to be able to prevent them. Especially hazardous is our street, Circle Ginny, where drivers often must negotiate a myriad of obstacles – from children playing in the street, cars parked on the wrong side of the street, loose pets, trash containers, and parked vehicles, and more. In fact, data indicates that, when measured per miles driven, the death rate on residential streets is more than twice the highway death rate.

In virtually every community speed in residential areas is the most common—and most challenging—complaints law enforcement receive from residents. Unfortunately, enforcement campaigns yield limited results simply because public safety agencies cannot patrol every single street 24/7. Likewise, devices such as speed bumps, while useful, are not always practical or desirable.

In an ideal world, all drivers would obey speed limits, observe the one-way signs, roads wouldn't be pockmarked by potholes, and children wouldn't run into streets to retrieve balls. The reality is that motorists are just one component of street safety in which everyone, young and old, play a critical role. Traffic initiatives and awareness works best when everyone acknowledge each other's needs and consciously strive to practice safer behaviors.

Brenda Williams

2012 Things to Do List

- Replace/Repair entrance light post.
- Repair lamp post lamps.
- Tree trimming.

"No bought potpourri is so pleasant as that made from one's own garden, for the petals of the flowers one has gathered at home hold the sunshine and memories of summer, and of past summers only the sunny days should be remembered."

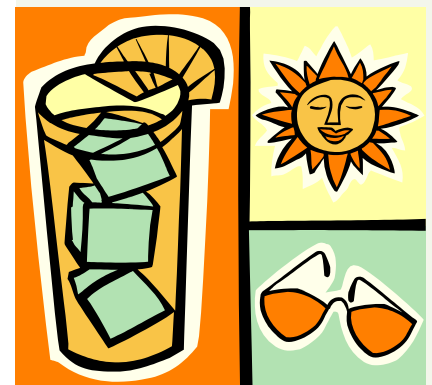
Eleanor Sinclair-Rhode

KEEP OUR NEIGHBORHOOD SAFE



We encourage all residents to be alert concerning "normal neighborhood activity". Reporting suspicious activity in our neighborhood is a good way to keep Circle Ginny a safe place to live. Calling 911 is always appropriate in an emergency but it's okay to notify your block captain if you see something doesn't look quite right.

- East Captain: Cindy Downey (1929)
- West Captain: Brenda Williams (1905)



Have a safe and fun summer

PLEASE KEEP OUR COMMUNITY CLEAN

Do not throw trash in the streets. Pick up trash in and around your home. Trash pickup is Tuesday morning so place your trash receptacles at the curb Monday night. Trash cans **should not** be kept in the front of your home. Because cats and raccoons tend to get into trash, make sure lids are placed securely on trashcans and bags are tied tightly. Abandoned cars are not to be left on the street and are subject to be towed. Please observe the 2-car limit on the street and do not block driveways of others enabling to exit.

CLEAR THE WAY

Overgrown foliage and trees not only provides criminals with cover while they commit crimes, they also obstruct driver and pedestrian visibility. In addition to pruning and removing litter, inspect sidewalks and other pedestrian pathways to ensure that they are in good repair and don't pose a tripping hazard to pedestrians. Crumbling, cracked, and flooded walkways often force pedestrians, including children and mobility-impaired individuals, to make unsafe detours into the vehicle travel lanes. Regulations regarding sidewalk maintenance are the homeowner's responsibility. Our jurisdiction allows homeowners to make elective repairs at their own expense, while other properties not on private property pay a percentage of the costs. Homeowners are required to maintain walkways bordering their property. Before initiating any sidewalk repairs, please contact a CGHOA board member to ensure compliance with local ordinances.



SAFER SCHOOL BUS STOPS



Every day school buses transport 26 million children and adults to and from work and school-related activities. While affirming that the school bus is statistically the safest mode of transportation to and from school, CGHOA would like to stress the importance of selecting safe, easily accessible stop locations. We all have places to go and things to do but more importantly nobody likes to be late for work. If you use a transportation service, please do not allow the vehicles to block the driveways so that others cannot get out of their driveways.

LAWN CARE TIP: Sweep Up Thoroughly After Mowing

A common mistake that many people make in lawn maintenance is to do a great job at mowing and then slack when it comes to sweeping up. In some ways, clearing up grass clippings is just as important as mowing the lawn.

If you don't sweep up properly after mowing, the residual grass clippings begin to grow in the cracks which lead to grass and weeds along the curbs and driveway.

It is the responsibility of the homeowners and residents to remove weeds and tall grasses between the sidewalks, streets, and driveways. It creates an unsightly appearance when left unattended.

NOTICE OF DELINQUENT DUES

Delinquent dues letters went out to all homeowners who have not paid their annual assessments. All past dues will incur late fees of 6%. If you have not paid your dues for 2012 and any arrears, please do so immediately. Thank you.

Mary Beth Ferree

Please follow these simple guidelines when preparing your material for collection.



Trash/recycling must be placed curbside the night before your scheduled collection. Drivers may not return to residences if materials are unprepared at the scheduled collection time.

- Rumpke's service includes collection of six, 32-gallon cans or bags per pick-up (may vary by service region). Cans and bags should not exceed 50 pounds. Please do not place trash at the curb in boxes. All boxes should be broken down and bundled. Rumpke is not responsible for damaged or missing plastic cans or lids.

- Please contact Rumpke at least 24 hours before your regularly scheduled collection to request a large item pick-up for acceptable large items, and/or excessive amounts of trash. Television sets cannot exceed 32 inches for curbside pick-up. Any mattress or upholstered furniture that may be contaminated with bedbugs must be encased in disposable plastic for removal. In general all mattresses must be encased in plastic when set on the curb. Additional fees may apply.

- Freon containing appliances require special handling procedures prior to pick-up.

- According to Federal law, Rumpke is not permitted to accept batteries, tires, liquids, combustible materials or any items identified as hazardous.

- Bulky materials including drywall, concrete, bricks, dirt or rocks are not acceptable.

- Drums, barrels, yard and household containers are not acceptable trash containers and will be assumed trash if placed at the curb.

- Rumpke is not responsible for damage beyond the curb line.

- Landlords may be held responsible for service of rental supplies.

SALSA ROLL UPS



Ingredients

- 4 (1/2 8 oz. pkg.) PHILADELPHIA Neufchatel Cheese, softened
- 3 tablespoons TACO BELL® HOME ORIGINALS® Thick 'N Chunky Salsa
- 4 flour tortillas (6 inch)
- 1/2 cup KRAFT Mexican Style 2% Milk Finely Shredded Four Cheese
- 1/4 teaspoon chili powder

Directions

1. MIX Neufchatel and salsa; spread onto tortillas. Top with remaining ingredients.
2. ROLL up tortillas tightly. Cut each crosswise into 5 slices.

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Keeping Our Community
A Nice and Safe Place
to Live

JUST FOR LAUGHS



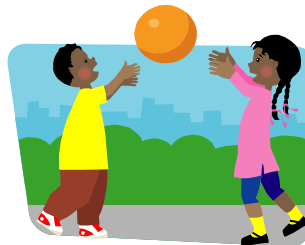
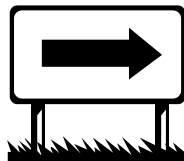
Don't think of it
as hot flashes.
think of it
as your
inner child
playing
with matches!

Marvin
(the male Maxine)



When I was a kid, I used to pray every night for a new bike. Then I realized that God doesn't work that way. So I stole a bike and asked Him to forgive me.

PLEASE observe the **ONE-WAY**, **SPEED LIMIT**, and **CHILDREN PLAYING** signs at all times.



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