Stockdale Community News

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WE ARE 5 YEARS OLD

As we approach our 5th year anniversary, the Stockdale Community has grown and strengthened thanks to the continued support of each other. Let's continue to maintain a solid community by looking out for one another and doing our fair share to ensure its safety and appearance.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Community Meeting Monday, June 3 @ 7pm Archmere's Student Life Center Cafeteria
- Green Day Saturday, June 8: Claymont Community Center
- Community Yard Sale Saturday, June 8 8am-2pm
- Garden Club Meeting: Monday, June 10 @ 6pm; Matt Sargent's House; 18 Cathedral Avenue
- Gov. Printz Sewer Project Meeting Wednesday, June 19, 7pm at the Claymont Community Center.
- <u>Learn About the Library</u> Saturday, June 22 at 1pm at the Claymont Stone School Councilman Cartier and the Friends of the Claymont Library representatives will talk about the new library and the history of our library.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

- The Department of Special Services has announced that the Governor Printz Sewer Rehabilitation Project has been postponed for two years until a new, alternate plan is created for the much needed new interceptor line. The hope is to have the site clean-up completed by the end of July and the roadwork finished by September of this year. Another update meeting on this project is scheduled for Wednesday, June 19, at 7 p.m. in the Claymont Community Center
- Our Annual Yard Sale will be held on Saturday, June 8. We will be advertising in the News Journal and Craigslist. There will be lawn signs posted around the neighborhood.
- For those property owners adjacent to Rivercroft Apts, Scott Riegel no longer wants to be contacted for any issues regarding vegetation overgrowth. He has asked for those residents to contact the County Complaint Dept and have them decide. County Complaints # is 395-5555.
- Advise Matt or Maureen if you have an e-mail address to have correspondence including newsletter sent via e-mail.

CLAYMONT RENASSIANCE (CRDC)/COMMUNITY COALITION (CCC) UPDATE

- Construction of the Darley Green Commercial Buildings along Philadelphia Pike are to possibly begin in August
- The new Claymont Library is scheduled to open in October
- Overlook Colony had a sign dedication ceremony on May 21 where an entrance sign and new landscaping can be seen at Philly Pike and Commonwealth Avenue all made possible by a grant from the Delaware Blueprint Communities Program.

COMMUNITY WATCH UPDATE

Over the last few months we have had a number of break-ins from unlocked cars being opened to copper being removed from a vacant home. We have begun a community patrol and currently have 3 active neighbors patrolling at sporadic times. We have 12 people that will participate after we are trained by the County Police. We will also have community watch signs posted following the training. Although we are stepping up to help protect our neighborhood we still need to work with law enforcement to combat the criminal element.

As always, be cautious when venturing out and don't hesitate to contact the police if you notice anything suspicious. Contact your block captains listed below if you don't feel comfortable contacting the police or to report anything after the police have been contacted. A Burglary Prevention Checklist has been posted to our website.

New Castle County Crime Maps can be found online http://www2.nccde.org/police/crimemaps/search/default.aspx Numbers to call are as follows:

Block Captains

Brookview Avenue – Ron Dixon, 793-3878	Melvin Drive & Casey Lane – Matt Sargent 610-505-8344
Castle Avenue – Dick Hassel, 792-2126	Palace Avenue (25 – 34) – Jean Read, 792-9323
Cathedral Ave. – Matt Sargent, 610-505-8344	Palace Avenue (1 – 19) – Carrie Hyla, 388-7544
Chapel Avenue – Dale Stevens Jr., 220-0196	Palace Avenue (100 – 120)– Ron Dixon, 793-3878
Forrest Avenue – Matt Sargent, 610-505-8344	Pyramid Avenue – Aleta Krauss, 547-7677
Gov Printz (98 – 301) Carrie Hyla, 388-7544	Stockdale Avenue - Matt Sargent, 610-505-8344
Gov Printz (300, 304-316) Ron Dixon, 793-3878	Wiltshire - Debra Commiskey, 798-6526
Manor Avenue – Matt Sargent 610-505-8344	Wistar – Dawn Hower, 377-1736

LIBRARY UPDATE

The library is scheduled to be completed by October. There have been over 100 bricks purchased, however, the support of our local businesses and residents is still needed to achieve the \$750k community portion. Bricks can be purchased online at www.friendsofclaymontlibrary.org.

The Friends of the Claymont Library and Councilman John Cartier will be presenting a talk about the new Claymont Public Library and its history on Saturday, June 22 at 1pm at the Claymont Stone School. There will be a display about the history of the Claymont Library and this event is free to the public.

GARDEN CLUB CORNER

June "to do" list:

- · Plant pole, lima, and bush beans now
- Flower seeds, cannas, annuals, perennials, etc.
- Cut & dry thyme, oregano & mint
- Mulch to reduce weeds & watering
- Safe to put indoor plants outside now but PROTECT THEM FROM DIRECT SUN OR THEY WILL SCORCH

Come out to our next meeting, to discuss the "to do" list or any other garden topics, on Monday, June 10 @ 6pm at Matt Sargent's house; 18 Cathedral Avenue. Refreshments will be served.

DISCOUNT TRASH REMOVAL SERVICE

The quarterly price for trash removal will be \$55.50 (\$18.50/monthly), includes regular trash, recycling and yard waste removal.

Payments are to be made on a quarterly basis (*January - March*), (*April - June*), (*July - September*), (*October - December*), Payments are due by the 25th of the last month of the previous quarter.

Since we do not send you an invoice when payment is due, please mark the due dates on your calendars. It will be appreciated if your payment is made on a timely basis. If on occasion your payment will be late, let Maureen know when she can expect to receive it.

Should you experience problems with pick up, contact Maureen asap so WM can be notified to schedule another pick up.

Checks are made payable to <u>Stockdale Civic Association</u> and sent to Maureen Smith @ 25 Manor Avenue.

For new customers, please allow a 2 week lead time to have the processing complete and new trash bins delivered. For those 60 years of age or older, a separate home trash service is available for \$16/month provided by Home Service. For more information contact 475-6401. Our civic association is not involved with this service.