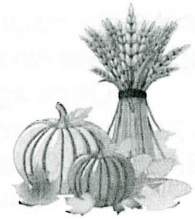




FAIRWOOD COMMUNITY NEWS

Fall, 2016



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Halloween - Jess Papsan
Egg Hunt - Krista Goehl
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Welcoming - Anne Deady, Kathleen Trevino,
Angela Wedemeyer

Luminaries - Judy McCorkill
Margie Reilly
Pole Captain - Eric Wedemeyer

President's Letter

Dear Neighbors,

The Fairwood Association Board of Directors voted to raise annual community dues to \$50.00 to cover increased costs of insurance, postage, taxes. Our fiscal year begins on July 1 and notices were mailed at that time. Thanks to all who have paid their dues promptly. To those who paid \$40.00 we would appreciate the additional \$10.00. Current families who are members of the association are listed later in this newsletter with the treasurer's report.

Because I hate to litter your email inboxes with excessive emails, remember the best way to keep abreast of upcoming events and things you should know pertaining to the community is to check the Fairwood Community Facebook page. It is a closed group so you must request to join in order to participate.

This fall we are looking forward to our community yard sale, the first Fairwood Halloween Costume Dog Parade, the first Fairwood Creepy Crawl, and our traditional Halloween Party for the children of Fairwood with pizza and hot dogs at the pool pavilion. Halloween is Monday night this year so decor and games will be kept to a minimum. Jess Papsan is chairing this event and would like a few volunteers to assist. Information about these events is included later in this newsletter.

A special thank you to Anne Deady who initiated and is chairperson of the Fairwood Sunshine Committee. They have been spreading kindness to new neighbors and assisting some neighbors with a meal train in time of need. I got some much appreciated goodies when I broke my leg this summer although I would not recommend breaking your leg to get goodies!

A special thanks to Jorge and Kathleen Trevino who periodically clean up debris, fallen limbs and more along Fairwood Drive and at the park. The Fairwood Community Association pays to have grass on community owned property cut and maintained. I would like to thank all those neighbors who assist with trimming and maintaining areas around the community that are not their property but may be adjacent to their property. This is the case for many areas at the entrance adjacent to Mountain Road and along Fairwood Drive. They are privately owned, but for various reasons are not maintained. The Fairwood residents who cut the lawn on vacant lots next to their property and cut the grass and trim back areas along the curb of property next to their homes or across the street

make our neighborhood well groomed. These neighbors take pride in living in Fairwood and we all appreciate what they do for the good of our community.

Once again I encourage everyone to please do whatever you can to keep Fairwood looking beautiful and thriving by volunteering, attending a board meeting and looking out for your neighbors. Sincerely, Celeste Coffelt,

Fairwood Community Association President.

Editorial

Recently this article from the *Santa Clarita Valley Signal* was brought to the attention of the Fairwood Community Board. Our association is not a HOA with required membership but the information is still relevant to our community.

"While properly maintaining and improving community common areas, including landscaping, recreation centers and amenities can absolutely improve the curb appeal of a community, something that is often overlooked is the association's ability to help turn a typical neighborhood into an extraordinary community through association sponsored activities and events. Most families yearn to live in a community where neighbors are friendly and community events and activities, such as barbecues and spring egg hunts are plentiful. Do not underestimate the intrinsic value of a strong, active homeowners association and a close-knit, friendly community. Oftentimes when buyers are in the market to purchase a new home, part of their due diligence is to spend time in the community, meeting with neighbors and asking about the association. Optimistic residents with friendly dispositions and positive feelings about the association can absolutely make one community more appealing than another. What better way to build a strong sense of community and build goodwill between the association and the membership than through community events? Understandably, many homeowner associations have struggled in recent years with an unprecedented number of delinquent owners impacting association revenues, but there are things associations can do to still hold community events while keeping the costs down...A potluck-style event can be a lot of fun and is also a great way to keep costs down. For associations without a clubhouse or recreation center, plan an event in a public park or at a neighborhood bowling alley. I have also heard of communities holding progressive dinners where owners open their homes, each cooking a different dish, and neighbors visit each home trying the different dishes. (Please note, I encourage associations to consult with their legal counsel and insurance carrier to ensure liability concerns are mitigated and proper insurance coverage is in place prior to holding a community event.) Although there is little to nothing you can do about the state of our economy and the direct impact on home values, there are things that you and your association's board of directors can do to improve the quality of life for your community's residents, ultimately building an association that residents are proud to be part of and potential home buyers will want to purchase into."



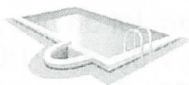
Treasurer's Report



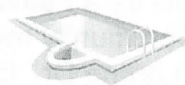
Currently there are 58 members of the Fairwood Community Association who have paid their dues. We have a balance of \$4251.54 in the checking account. Of that amount \$155.00 was donated by members beyond the yearly dues of \$50.00. The community fundraising efforts have resulted in \$487.83 for the movie fund to purchase a screen and projector. The Board of Directors would like to thank the following families for promptly paying dues:

Beighley, Biemiller/Hart, Bishop, Blickenstaff, Braughton, Burnett, Crisp, Coffelt, Cohn, Colebrook/Hagis, Crawford, Deady, Deaver, Dilaimy, Dixon, Engelmeyer, Engles, Ernest, Foca, Ford, Fleming, Garner, Gerbrick, Gross, Hardesty, Henderson, Hudgins, Huth, Itzkowitz, Jones, Kennedy, Kirby, Kohli, Korrot, LaMarsh, Latrick, Leary, McCorkill, McCormack, Messenger, Mulvey, Norton, Ott, Reilly/Rodenhizer, Rizzo, Sayman, Sepe, Schreiber, Singer, Sis, Smith, Spain, Teeter, Trevino, Voltz, Wenzel, White, Whiteside.

We will accept dues at any time. They may be mailed to **The Fairwood Community Association P.O. Box 1084, Pasadena, MD 21122**, dropped off at the home of Karen Kennedy at 8250 Fairwood Drive, or brought to the Halloween Party at the pool on October 31, 2016.



Pool News



The Fairwood Swim Club and Swim Team had another fun and successful season! Thanks to all who volunteered in so many ways from the pre-opening to close. The swim team had a great season and introduced a new week of swim camp that included a Big Dolphin and Little Dolphin mentoring program. The swim team awarded the Emily Schindler Award to Fairwood swimmer, Taylor Rodenhizer for great team spirit and attitude. The Tammy Rose Award was presented to the Schindler family and the Eaton family for volunteering their time and talents to benefit the swim team. The 2nd Annual Rubber Ducky fundraiser was a huge success once again thanks to all the Fairwood neighbors who bought and sold tickets. As the pool ages many improvements are needed and this fundraiser helps to fund these projects.

The Fairwood Swim Club is always open to anyone who would like to volunteer in any capacity or serve on the board of directors. There are several positions open for the 2017 pool season. Any interested individuals can contact the swim club on the Fairwood Swim Club Facebook page.



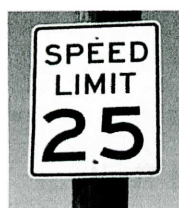
Community Dumpster November 2 - 4, 2016



Fairwood is scheduled to receive community dumpsters from November 2-4, 2016 at the pool parking lot. Please note that due to special handling requirements the following materials are unacceptable for collection in the dumpster:

junk automobiles, trailers, gas and propane tanks, tree trunks, oil drums or tanks, liquids, automobile or boat batteries, hazardous waste (chemicals), boats, tires, logs, paint, refrigerators or air conditioners.

We have received communication from Timothy Cluney, waste management of Anne Arundel County, stating that dumpster service is being viewed as not compatible with current curbside collection services. All items disposed of in a dumpster are sent directly to the landfill, including items that could be recycled. Anne Arundel County residents are asked to consider using regular curbside collection for large items. Residents are able to dispose of up to three items such as tables, sofas, and bookshelves every week on their collection day. Large plastic items such as lawn furniture, garden carts and children's play sets are collected with recycling. Large metal items can be scheduled for collection at your home. A brochure describing curbside collection services is available at: http://www.aacounty.org/departments/public-works/waste-management/forms-and-publications/Curbside_Services.pdf. Mr. Cluney can be reached at 410-222-6108 if you have questions. It is quite possible this service will not be available in the future. To date 200 Anne Arundel County communities have cancelled annual dumpsters in their community.



A Reminder to All Residents. The posted speed limit in our community is 25 miles an hour. Children, walkers, joggers, pet walkers need to be safe. This is especially true now that school has started and school busses are on the road. Never pass another car or school bus.

DRIVE LIKE YOUR KIDS LIVE HERE



Community Yard Sale



There will be a Fairwood Community Yard Sale on October 22, 2016 with a rain date of October 23. Community members can sell from their driveway or at the vacant lot on the corner of Fairwood and Lorene Dr. It will be advertised in local papers. The times are 7:00 am - 1:00 pm. Food and drinks will be sold at the lot. The price of participation will be \$10.00. For more information contact Shannon Shannon at 410-703-4511.



Halloween Dog Costume Parade

All dog owners are invited to participate in a Halloween Dog Costume Parade to be held at the community park on October 29, 2016 at 10:00 AM. All well behaved dogs on a leash will parade with their owners around the parking lot. Dog treats will be provided. Members of the community are welcomed to join in because every parade needs spectators! There will be no rain date. For information contact Celeste Coffelt at celestecoff@gmail.com.



Creepy Crawl, October 29, 2016 5:00 - 10:00

Join your Fairwood neighbors for our first annual **creepy crawl** to be held on October, 29, 2016 from 5:00 until 10:00. Four houses have been identified for this fun and creepy evening. This adult only event will be a fundraiser for the community. Participants not providing a house or food will be charged \$10.00. Angela Wedemeyer is chairing this event and her home will be the final stop from 8:00 - 10:00. Sign up early to insure a space. You may contact Angela through the Fairwood Facebook page or email her at angela.wedemeyer@gmail.com.



Halloween Party, October 31, 2016 at 5:00



Fairwood children and parents are invited to the pool on Monday, October 31 at 5:00 for an annual Fairwood tradition - the Halloween Party sponsored by the Community Association. Children in costume will be treated to pizza, juice boxes and water as well as glow necklaces. The pool is donating hot dogs for adults or children. **Jess Papsan** is chairing this event and needs volunteers help set up, play games, serve food, and clean up. **Email her at jpapsan@gmail.com to volunteer.** The children will parade in their costumes and then be sent out to the community at 6:00 for trick or treating. **The price of admission is a canned good for the Anne Arundel Food Bank.**



Fairwood Residents are reminded that we will return to Eastern Standard Time on November 6, 2016 at 2:00 am. Turn your clocks back one hour.

If you are not on the Fairwood Community Association email list you may send an email to Celeste Coffelt at celestecoff@gmail.com and she will make sure to add you so you are kept up to date on happenings in the Fairwood Community. Remember, Fairwood is also on Facebook



Holiday Traditions in Fairwood



Pole Decorations The Fairwood Pole President is Eric Wedemeyer. His trusted elves will be gathering soon after Thanksgiving to decorate the light poles in the community. We need young, spry helpers to climb ladders and attach garland. An email will be sent out as the date approaches. Please consider helping with this holiday tradition and enjoy having fun with your neighbors.

Santa Visit Karen Kennedy is again making arrangements with the Lake Shore Volunteer Fire Department for a visit from Santa to Fairwood. The date will be announced when the schedule is finalized. The Community Association will provide gifts for Fairwood children who approach Santa in his festive wagon. Watch for the email in December.

Caroling Louise Mulvey will again organize the Fairwood Carolers on Christmas Eve. They will gather at the corner of Silver Run Drive and Silver Run Court at 7:00 on December 24. If you wish a visit to your house by these holiday singers you may contact Louise at louisemulv@comcast.net. A reminder email will be sent out near date of this fun activity.



Fairwood Holiday Luminaries



Again this year the Community Association will be selling candles and bags for our tradition of setting out luminaries each Christmas Eve. **Participation is voluntary and all bags and candles will need to be preordered and prepaid by November 15.** A set of 20 candles and bags will be \$5.00. A set of 20 candles only will be \$4.00. For questions contact Judy McCorkill at 410-437-0528 or email at judymatt1@verizon.net.

Fairwood Community Luminary Sale

Name _____ Address _____

phone _____ email _____

_____ I wish to order _____ sets of 20 candles and bags at \$5.00 per set.

_____ I wish to order _____ sets of candles only at \$4.00 per set.

Enclosed is a total of \$ _____

Checks should be made payable to Fairwood Community Association and mailed to:
Fairwood Community Association
P.O. Box 1084
Pasadena, MD 21122

Deadline is November 15, 2016. Delivery will be by December 20.

Dues Payment Coupon

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

Donation Amount: _____

____ YES! I want to help my community by _____

landscaping, park clean up, chairing or helping with holiday events, paying dues, fundraising help, movie night, party planning, donations, clean up, upkeep, board member, committee member, attending community meetings, OTHER....!

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