

SPRING NEWSLETTER

Greetings from the Amity Place Board and Hampshire Property Management Group

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Spring Cleaning. Spring Clean-up

In mid-April, our landscaping contractor will officially begin the grounds clean-up
Unit owners

Watch the monthly minutes for dates for these services:

Window cleaning..... A-One Window Cleaning.....413-584-7888*
Top Hat Chimney Sweep.....413-536-6830*
Absolute Air Quality Service ... 413-256-0230*

These vendors offer group rates. We will post dates that they will be on-site. You can make individual appointments.

Fireplaces

To avoid chimney fires, we urge residents to maintain proper care of their chimney. Even if you burn seasoned, dry wood, creosote can build up and cause a chimney fire. We suggest periodic inspections and cleanings of the chimney and flue.

Shut-offs

Please make sure you know how to turn off the water supply in the event of an emergency. For most units, the shut-offs are located in the front hall closet. We also suggest you label your circuits should it become necessary to shut those off as well.

Painting Plans

The following units are scheduled for painting in 2009, most likely in late summer.
Units: 13-17, 33-38, 50-52, 53-56, 63-66, 78-80

Plants near units to be painted may have to be trimmed to allow easy access for the painters. Any necessary carpentry work will be done as part of the painting project. Lattice work and is included as part of the painting project.

Parking Lot Striping

The board is aware that striping in the parking lots is needed. At this time, no decision has been made.

Tag Sale

We are planning a tag sale for residents on the first Saturday in Sept., if that is when the students have returned. Residents may set up 'displays' on the both sides of the access road.

Ninja Activities

We are grateful to a group of resident volunteers who saved the Association thousands of dollars by trimming trees, weeding, removing brush, removing some dead trees, planting new items and other outdoor improvements. IF you feel inclined to pitch in, please do. Watch the mail shed for dates.

Plantings

The Ninjas are taking over the planting bed under the Amity Place sign. Any residents with landscaping ideas are encouraged to contact John Armstrong in #55. The Association has approved planting rhododendrons and other shrubs. We'll be replanting near where the trees were cut down last year.

Rules and Regulations

The Board has been clarifying and rethinking the rules and regulations for Amity Place. The final text should reach each owner shortly. Among the changes are a list of unit owner responsibilities, a revised pet policy, restrictions on renters, and a restatement of the parking policy.

Documents on Website

The management company (HPMG) has gone to considerable effort to include on their website copies of all documents pertaining to Amity Place. This will include the new rules and regulations and all the board's policy statements. www.hpmgnoho.com

Street Safety

To avoid injuries, we urge parents to be vigilant when their children play in or near our streets and sidewalks. Motorists should exercise caution while driving on the roadways.

Minutes by e-mail.