Around Parkcrest Circle June, 2009

Board Meetings

The monthly board meetings are held at the Tall Oaks Assisted Living Center in the Tall Oaks Shopping Center across from our community. The meeting is held on the 3rd Tuesday each month and starts at 7pm. Upcoming meeting dates are:

July 21, 2009
August 2009 – Vacation (no scheduled meeting)
September 15, 2009
October 20, 2009
November 17, 2009
December 2009 - Holidays (no scheduled meeting)
January 19, 2010

New Board

After the election, the new board is:

Dave Brych – president

Kathy Ray – vice president

Peter Weed – treasurer

Jane Reynolds – secretary

Victor Ronin – at large

Congratulations to all of them and thanks for volunteering their time to our community.

Newsletter

Anyone wishing to volunteer to help produce the association newsletter, please contact Diana Fritts at Loudoun Management Associates (540 751-1888, diana@lmainc.com). Past associatgion president Tom Biggar has agreed to organize this effort. Currently, all positions are open so volunteering early gets you your choice of jobs.

Hot Air

Keeping hot air outside in the summer and inside during the winter has gotten a little easier. The federal gov't has expanded the tax credit for replacing windows and furnaces / air conditioners. The new rules allow for a tax credit of 30% on approved replacement windows up to a limit of \$1500 of credit. This amounts to a savings of \$1500 on a \$5000 upgrade. Naturally, there are time restrictions and replacement

equipment must meet energy saving requirements, so you need to check with your tax advisor and contractor. Energy costs continue to be a major part of our budget and are expected to grow. Replacing old, inefficient windows and heating equipment makes your home more comfortable, saves energy and cuts costs. How can you say "No" to that?

Grounds For Improvement

Our new landscape company has hit the grounds running. The erosion control work is finished and there is a chance that we will see grass growing in formerly barren areas (moment of silent prayer). The view from the stop sign onto North Shore Drive has improved with the removal of the bushes that were there.

Dryer Vent Cleaning

Loudoun Management has arranged with a dryer vent company "Potomac Services" to clean the dryer vender vents for a nominal fee. If we can get at least 100 units to commit to having their dryer vents cleaned, we can get a price of \$34.00 per dryer vent. The vents would be cleaned from the outside so the residents do not need to be home. Any resident interested, please contact Diana Fritts at 540-751-1888 x101 or email her at diana@lmainc.com. Your payment will need to be sent in prior to the cleanings.

Clogged vents present a fire hazard, waste energy and make your dryer work harder. Under our bylaws, keeping the vent tube cleaned is the responsibility of the unit owner.