

The Village Voice

Your KMV IV Newsletter

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JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL MEETING!

Date: Tuesday, November 18, 2008

Time: Registration Begins: 6:30 PM
Meeting Begins: 7:00 PM

Place: Keene Mill Elementary School Library
6310 Bardu Avenue, Springfield

BOARD NEWS

Our Annual Meeting will be November 18, 2008. ALL residents are welcome and encouraged to attend. One of the items on the agenda will be the election of new members to the Board of Directors.

Please consider becoming a member of our Board. We need your help and input to manage our community. This is a great opportunity to have your voice heard, share ideas and shape the direction of our community.

Currently, all of our Board members reside on Tiffany Park Court. Residents of Chaney Court, Alexis Court or Lane and Fieldmaster, please consider joining the Board. It would be great to have representatives from all areas of our community.

If you are interested in joining the Board, or would like more information, please contact Kristine Caraway at (703) 435-3800 or email her at kcaraway@NRPartners.com.

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting!

THANK YOU

In May, we had our architectural review. Many residents who received letters worked hard to address their violations and our community looks great. THANK YOU!!!

Let's work together to keep our community looking it's best! We can do this by maintaining our yards ...cutting grass, raking leaves and shoveling snow on a regular basis. Some residents quickly address their violations, and then let their property go for the rest of the season.

Please, let's all do our part. It's not always pleasant to do yard work on the weekends or in hot or cold weather, but it must be done. It's not fair to your neighbors to look out and see overgrown or poorly maintained yards or homes. This is especially true of our back yards. Just because your back yard is not readily visible, doesn't mean it should be neglected.

There are several residents who work quietly behind the scenes to help clean up our community. These residents pick up trash and debris that has been left after trash pickup. They collect mowers, paint or car batteries left by other residents and take them to the dump for disposal. They also clean up our playgrounds and basketball court.

Thank you to these residents for their time and efforts on behalf of our community. Please, take a moment to clean up trash, bottles or debris near your home ..or to remove a branch or bike from the street. If we all do a little bit, it will make a big difference!

This is our community ...Let's all work together to keep it clean!

Vandalism: Over the past few months, we have received several reports of vandalism to cars in our community. There have also been incidents of residents being assaulted or harassed late at night. If you see any suspicious activity or persons, don't hesitate to contact the police. The safety of our property and neighbors is a responsibility we all share!



Slow down when driving through the neighborhood!! Residents have complained about speeding cars, especially on Fieldmaster Drive between Blarney Stone and Tiffany Park Court. Residents have reported several near head on collisions, and one child was almost hit by a speeding car. This stretch of Fieldmaster is dangerous because of cars parked on both sides, making it difficult to see and maneuver. **PLEASE SLOW DOWN!!!!!!** A few seconds of your time could prevent an accident or tragedy!



FALL BACK.....

Don't forget to set your clocks **back** one hour on Sunday, November 2, 2008. It's also a good time to check the batteries in your smoke detectors!



Have a Happy and Safe Halloween!

Please use caution while driving, as children will be out trick or treating. Watch for children crossing the street or darting out between cars.

Parents, please be sure your child's costume can be clearly seen by drivers and others. Have your child carry a flashlight for added safety. Remind your children to use caution and enjoy the holiday!

In Our Community.....News and Information.....

Tennis Courts: Over the summer, our tennis courts were resurfaced and repaired. Please keep dogs and bikes off the courts. The courts are not a playground or a dog park, they are for playing tennis. Let's avoid costly repairs and help keep our courts in top condition!

Trash Cans: Trash pickup is on Monday and Thursday. Recycles are picked up on Thursday. We have had several complaints about residents leaving their cans or bins at the curb for days or even weeks after collection. Please take your cans and bins back to your yard after collection. Trash cans and recycle bins, along with tools, toys, bikes and other personal items belong in back yards, inside your fence or yard.

Community Parking District: Last year, Fairfax County made it illegal to park trailers, large vans, boats or other large vehicles along Field Master Drive. If you notice any of these vehicles parked illegally along Field Master, you are encouraged to call the Fairfax County Police, at their non emergency number, to report the violation. Any resident may call to report a vehicle. For more information regarding the restrictions, signs are posted along Field Master.

Owners: Please take a moment to call Kristine Caraway to update your mailing and contact information. We have had several instances where we have incorrect contact information for off site owners, resulting in delayed or missed mailings. Also, if you recently moved into our community, contact Kristine and make sure your information is up to date. Thank you!

COMMUNITY CONTACTS:

Fairfax County Police (non emergency) (703) 691-2131

American Disposal (Trash/Recycles): (703) 368-0500

Kristine Caraway, National Realty Partners (Management Representative): (703) 435-3800 or kcaraway@NRPartners.com

Visit our community web site! There you will find newsletters, contact information, architectural guidelines and request forms, as well as other useful information about our community. **www.keenemillvillage.org**

If you have any questions, problems, ideas or comments for the Board, please contact us at: **info@keenemillvillage.org**