



GEORGETOWN HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2024

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Tues. & Thurs. 10-5, Closed 1:30-2:00
Wed. 3-7.



ANNOUNCING

UPCOMING DATES

**Tues., Jan. 16 - Game Night -
Clubhouse - 6:30-9:00 PM**

**Thurs., Jan. 25 – Regular Board
Meeting – 7 PM – Clubhouse**

**Tuesday, Feb. 20 - Game Night -
Clubhouse - 6:30-9:00 PM**

HAPPY NEW YEAR

DUES INCREASE

Effective Jan. 1, 2024, the monthly assessments (dues) increase \$5 per month. Houses with garages will pay \$197 and houses without garages will pay \$194. For those who pay by online bill pay or ACH; be sure to change your payment amount.

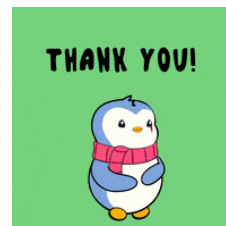


MANY THANKS TO THE RECREATION COMMITTEE!

This Committee works diligently all year long with several of our community events. So a *Thank You* to those on the Recreation Committee, particularly for the holiday decorating of the clubhouse, the House Holiday Decorating Contest and for the Christmas Get-together. Winners for the House Holiday Decorating Contest were: 280 Jamestown, 180 S Yorktown and 135 Arlington Dr.

The Committee is now planning to host a Game Night. The first one will be held on Tuesday, Jan. 16th, in the clubhouse, from 6:30-9:00 pm. Georgetown members and their guests are invited to bring board and/or card games, puzzles, or whatever games you wish. Attendees should bring snacks to share and your beverage of choice. All games and puzzles will need to be removed at the end of the night. The next Game Night will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 20th - same place, same time.

Also, the Committee is considering playing outdoor movies this summer. **The Rec Committee is asking if anyone has an outdoor theater to lend for this purpose.** If you do or know someone who can loan one to the Committee, please contact the office.



AGAIN MANY THANKS TO THE CREW AND A COUPLE OF RESIDENTS, TOO!

While the Rec. Committee worked hard over the holidays, so had the crew and a few residents. Each year, the crew puts up the holiday lights and wreath, takes the X-mas tree up and down from the clubhouse basement and sets tables for the Holiday Get-Together. This year, they will also be setting up tables for Game Nights.

In addition to these extra tasks, a **BIG, BIG, THANKS** should be given to **Terry Stoneking!** His tremendous help on the crew this year truly allowed the crew to catch up after the storm and the loss of crew member, James Brewster. If you see Terry around, please tell him, "*A Big THANKS!*" Another resident, **Jerah Sheets**, helped the office scanning certain materials.

A NEW COMMITTEE - REGULATIONS

This new Committee will hear and address homeowners' and residents' complaints. Any work order requests or Board

approval items still need to be processed through the office.

To ask the Regulations Committee to handle your request, you should now email: gtownregs@macomb.com. If you do not have access to email, you can call the office or send the complaint in writing to the office; although emails are the preferred method.

While you now have access to the Imposition of the Regulations Plan on our website, a brief summary here is: *The complaint may possibly trigger a response letter or email to the person causing the 'infraction'. The person may possibly be given a time frame to deny the complaint or to take corrective action. If more complaints are 'filed' against the same person, for the same offense; ultimately there could be a Board-approved fine implemented.*

What are some of the typical complaints this Committee might handle? Not breaking down boxes before placing them in the dumpsters; leaving toys on front lawns; not picking up after pet waste; pets not on leashes; to name a few. Basically any item where an owner or a resident is not complying with the Covenants or Board policies.

The only thing asked from you is please be patient with this Committee. It may take a few months to 'iron out the bugs' with the process.



SNOW REMOVAL - IMPORTANT

This winter, we are short-handed with snow plows and shoveling; so please be patient with the crew clearing the streets, parking and walks. This personnel shortage may cause additional delays to the normal delays such as trucks breaking down, etc. If you or someone you know is willing to shovel, please ask them to contact the office. If extra help can't be hired, it will take that much longer before the crew can accomplish everything. The Snow Removal Plan is posted on our website's homepage, if you need more snow removal information.

Whether we have a full-crew or not, it's obvious the crew cannot reach each residence/street first. Therefore with each new snow event, the grounds crew rotates which sidewalks, driveways, and parking bays will be cleared first. This week, the street rotation began with Carriage Hill, proceeded to Charleston Dr., then Arlington Dr., Jamestown Rd., S. Yorktown Rd., N. Yorktown Rd., and finally Richmond Rd. Regardless, always be careful walking on icy/snowy sidewalks, parking bays and driveways.

For some reason if removing the snow is questionable, a decision will be jointly made by the Maintenance Committee, Board

and the grounds manager whether the snow should be removed. The reason is to save money, of course.

If you see the crew coming to remove snow, please move cars from your driveways/parking bays. Doing so will help the crew remove snow more quickly, efficiently and safely.

H O D G E P O D G E



CHRISTMAS TREE DISPOSAL

Christmas trees may be disposed of by placing them inside or outside of the garbage enclosures (Not inside the dumpster enclosure).

DUES CHECKS IN LOCK BOX

Whenever there is rain, snow or ice in the forecast and you plan to drop your dues payment in the black lock box, please place the check in a sealable sandwich bag. This prevents your check from becoming wet and illegible.

WASTE MANAGEMENT

Waste Management (WM) is becoming more automated. Those of you living on Arlington or Charleston Drives must break down all boxes to fit within your recycling tote and both the garbage and recycling totes must be set at least 3' apart at the curb. WM will no longer collect bags or items not in the totes. You're allowed one garbage tote and one recycle tote picked up per the current scheduled rotation. Also, you may not dispose of your trash in any of Georgetown's dumpster enclosures.