



GEORGETOWN HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2025

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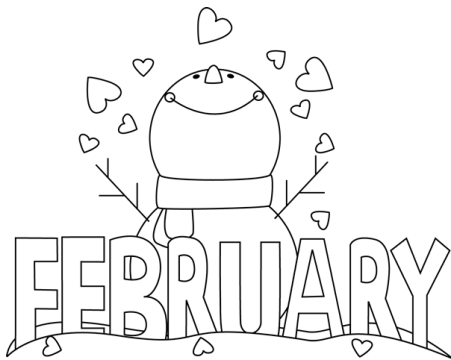
309-833-2341

Regular Office Hours:

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

Georgetown Emergency Number

309-588-4418
Voice Only - No Texting



ANNOUNCING

UPCOMING DATES

Thurs., Feb. 27 – Regular Board Meeting – 6 PM – Clubhouse



MONTHLY ASSESSMENTS & REMINDERS

Many residents have incorrectly paid their monthly assessments during 2024. There were two adjustments to the assessments; one Jan. 1, 2024 and one May 1, 2024. Also, the assessments changed Jan. 1, 2025. It's important that you check with the office to see if you have a balance due or a credit.

Also, as previously published in past newsletters; **the office is no longer sending monthly reminders asking residents to pay on time.** What will be sent is a letter explaining how the mechanic's lien process works, if the assessments aren't paid. So it's imperative that you are paying the right amount and on time. If necessary, please tell your neighbors; so everyone is aware.



THANK YOU!

On Sunday, Jan. 26th; a couple of residents noticed water collecting where it shouldn't have been. They called Georgetown's emergency number, 309-588-4418, leaving messages about the situation and where. After the Grounds Manager (who receives the emergency calls) investigated the situation, the City of Macomb was called; along with some Board members.

In the past, the office was the center of information for residents. Now that we are in the City limits, some

things will be the City's responsibility. The City has their own way of communicating, as we learned this past weekend with the orange and blue door notices.

Since the City was in charge of this particular issue; many residents were looking to our private group on Facebook, Georgetown HOA. Several Board members were posting updates on this page, as they became known. If you aren't a member of the group, please ask to join. (Be sure to answer the three questions.) If you do not use Facebook or don't have the technology to join the group; you might look to neighbors for answers.

Whenever there is something out of place, it really helps if a resident notifies a Board member, the emergency number or emails the office. Depending on whether the odd situation is Georgetown's responsibility or whether it's the City's responsibility will determine how any necessary information is then dispersed.

Everyone involved, from the City of Macomb Water Dept., the Grounds Manager, a few of the Board members, AMP, etc.; truly appreciated your patience, living without water while the repair was taking place. And those named above deserve a big 'thank you' for repairing the problem as quickly as possible.



SNOW REMOVAL

The Board, grounds crew and office appreciated your understanding and patience with our recent snow removals. The January snow was the

first time Georgetown worked with the City.

The City of Macomb is responsible for plowing the streets and Georgetown is responsible for the sidewalks, stoops and parking/driveway spaces. This year, Georgetown has hired Snow Pros to help with the parking spaces, including pushing the plowed snow onto designated, 'snow bank' areas. Fortunately, the two snowfalls were light; so the learning curve for all went well.

Please note the seven streets in Georgetown are rotated to be first, second, third, etc. with each snow event. The purpose of rotating streets is so that not one street is always first or last to have snow removed. If you have questions about our snow removal process, you can always access the Snow Removal Plan on our website, georgetownmacomb.org.

There are miles of sidewalk and parking areas to be cleared of snow. Simply said, it just takes time and money to get the job done. Although everyone needs to travel to jobs, doctor appointments, schools, etc.; not everyone can be cleared of snow immediately. No one can be given preferential treatment; unless it's an ambulance, fire department or police true emergency. Cooperation from you with moving cars from parking bays (when possible), appropriate street parking, street/sidewalk rotations, and patience is absolutely necessary to speed up the clearing process.

The Association operates in such a way as to keep our dues as low as possible. Outside snow removal costs in 2024 were \$4,971, not including the crew's time. Keep in mind, there is always the potential for more snow in Feb., March, April, November and December!

Again, the Association thanks you for your continued understanding and patience when it comes to any and all snow removal events!!



COOPERATION WITH SNOW REMOVAL EVENTS

Parking Bays:

When you see the crew coming to remove the snow; move your car from the parking bays whenever possible. This saves the Association time and money since it is easier for the plow and truck to sweep the entire area rather than going in and out between cars. After the snow is removed, please be sure to move your cars (and those of your guests) back to your spaces as soon as possible.

Driveways and Street Parking:

Move your car from the street first; so the City can plow the street. Once the street is cleared, then move your car from your driveway to the street or garage so the crew can clear your drive. If possible, keep your car(s) in the garage during snow removal events.

When parking on the street, **ALWAYS, ALWAYS** be mindful to park as close to the curb as possible. Also, stagger your parking with cars parked on the opposite side of the street. Arlington and Charleston streets are too narrow, for the City's snow plow and big cars, to squeeze between cars parked away from the curb and/or directly parked across from another parked car.

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WINDY DAYS

Recent days have had gusty winds. It is suggested that residents, with trash & recycling cans, permanently label the cans and lids with their addresses. Windy days 'scoot' these items away, even uphill. The finders of these items can then return them to their rightful homes.

LOST & FOUND

Last call for all items that were found and brought to the office in the last several months. If any of these items belong to you; please come into the office to claim. Otherwise, the items will be appropriately distributed.

1. Older cell phone - will be taken to Recycling Center
2. Socket set - will be given to the Georgetown grounds crew
3. An aluminum bat - Goodwill
4. Pair of ladies black gloves - Goodwill
5. Several Xmas elves - will keep them for the clubhouse decorations next year.
6. Pair of silver-framed readers found at the office steps.



CIRCUS

The office received several free tickets for a circus that will be held in Burlington, IA, on Monday, Feb. 10, at 6:30 PM. If you're interested, stop in to get the number of tickets you need.