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Glastonberry

In the sixteen years that I have lived in this neighborhood, there have been some major, and at times, miraculous changes in our little neighborhood. The only way we have attained any of our goals is through the volunteer efforts of our residents and business owners. This association relies heavily upon people that have a passionate interest in their single largest investment and also upon the notion that we can create change to improve our quality of life.

In the last ten years we have become a mandatory community that has brought us growth in membership each year. We have updated our look around the pool with new fencing. Starting this summer we will have new furniture, with more coming in the next year. There are many spots that need our effort to make this neighborhood the best place to live. We will need to address the fence that surrounds our neighborhood, replace walls that are rotting away, replace the tennis fencing that is becoming unsafe, the maintenance that comes with an older subdivisions. We need to make sure that we do not become complacent and let our neighborhood become run down. We do not want to be known as the run down neighborhood but the "Classic" neighborhood. Through our volunteer efforts, creativity and tenacity we are respectfully known as a great neighborhood to live in.

We have done a lot but there is always more to do. In my opinion the more we do, the easier it gets because we simply have the know how to get things done. I know, as well as any, that volunteering is not always convenient. For myself, there will be times that I just don't have the time to tackle big issues, but I would rather do something little, than nothing at all. Sometimes "something little" consists of a short phone call. To those of

you who do make the time, thank you so much. For those who want to, please join us. There is no specific requirement, just a sincere want. We need more voices. There are some great and brilliant people in this neighborhood. I am very proud of us. Please consider signing up for a job at workday. You can do this job on the actual workday or you can do it when you can in the next few weeks.

- Carol Brasher

Cheerleading Camp

GIRLS AGES 4 - 14!

CHEER MINI CAMP (CHATTAHOOCHEE H.S.) @ CHS JULY 28TH - JULY 30TH; 8:30 - 3:00; bring sack lunch \$135.00

TWO DAY SIDE LINE CAMP (CHATTAHOOCHEE H.S.) @ CHS June 2 - June 3; 8:30 - 3:00pm; bring a sack lunch \$100.00

BOTH CAMPS - \$220.00

Please contact Ellette Kozak

Pool News

Pool Hours

May 23

4:00 PM - 9:00 PM

May 24 to August 10

11 - 8 Monday, Tuesday

11 - 9 Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday

11 - 10 Friday

August 11 - September 1

4:30 - 6:30 Monday, Wednesday, Friday

11 - 8 Saturday

12 - 9 Sunday

Labor Day 11 - 8

Before the season starts please label ALL towels, T-shirts, shoes and goggles. Hint: Children don't wear anything to the pool but swimsuits and sandals. This is especially true at swim meets.

Remember: NO GLASS at the pool. This means: Casserole dishes, coffee cups, wine/beer bottles and kind of glass.

All children 3 and under must wear swim diapers AND plastic pants. This will prevent "Brown" outs. Also, make sure your children go to the bathroom each break.

Recycle Glastonberry!

Waste Management has greatly increased the recycling program we offer residential customers! Following are the materials we can now accept on our recycling routes:

- * Glass (amber, green, clear)
- * Plastic containers #1-7. Not just milk cartons and soda bottles (#1, #2 plastics), but a varied list of plastic items including Tupperware, shampoo bottles, detergent containers, microwave food trays, some plastic toys and more.
- * Mixed paper including newspaper, magazines, phone books, brochures, junk mail, cereal boxes, shoe boxes and more.
- * Steel, aluminum and tin cans.

We also offer the option of a larger, 64-gallon recycling cart to contain all of these items for \$2/month. Please call (404)794-6707 to request one.

Spring Curb Clean Up

Everyone take a good look at your curb appeal and see what you can do to spruce it up!! Let's all keep Glastonberry beautiful!!

- * Sweep and clean up debris from your curb
- * Pull or spray for grass and weeds around your curb and street
- * Pressure wash your mailboxes and curbs
- * Park cars in driveway and garages

Residential Tree Work

There seems to be three classes of folks out there doing tree work; the Bubba's, the local tree companies, and the Certified Arborist based companies (<http://www.isa-arbor.com/findArborist/findarborist.aspx>):

- * * A Certified Arborist is typically more knowledgeable and certainly is at the top of

their professions as far as credentials go. There's a 3.5 hour exam, plus experience required for the title, plus recertification is required every three years.

Insurance No matter whom you choose for your tree work, both liability and workman's compensation insurance is the best way to protect you. Liability insurance protects you and your neighbors against property damage among other things. The biggest issue seems to be workman's compensation, which primarily provides the company's employees and contractors with medical coverage and lost wages in the event of an accident. Important to you, workman's compensation protects the homeowner from legal action in case of an injury.

- * Workman's compensation for tree companies is very expensive. It is based on the wages and 1099's paid. The typical costs are between 20% and 40% paid annual wages/1099's.

- * A company with insurance will have their agent fax you a "certificate of insurance"; the certificate will have your name on it. Don't accept any generic documents.

- * The Internet is providing an easy way to falsify certificates. It is suggested that you call the agent to verify coverage.

- * You should be interested in the AM Best rating of the liability company in particular. An "A" rated company may be quicker to pay you for claim than a "C" rated company. Your homeowner's insurance agent can look up the AM Best rating for you.

Climbing Trees with Tree Spikes Never allow anyone to climb a tree with tree spikes unless that tree is being taken down. Tree spikes injure the tree by literally making hundreds of wounds up and down the trunk giving fungus and other diseases the chance to get into tree's cambium layer, potentially killing the tree.

Soil Work Around Trees Most active tree roots are in the top 3 feet of soil; the majority are in the top 12 inches. Roots normally grow outward to about three times the branch spread. Only 50 percent of the tree's root system occurs between the trunk and the dripline. (source: NC State University). The dripline is defined as the outer most reach of the tree's branches. Any soil work should be avoided near the dripline and inward. Even 3" of soil added to this area could damage or kill the tree.

Bidding the Job The residential services industry is suffering a decline in business based on the affect of the subprime mortgage crisis. That means you get more for your money now. Generating a simple RFP (Request for Proposal) is a way for you to get consistent bids and a good way for you to outline what you want done, and how your property or your neighbor's property can and can't be used. Remember to include you email address for bid responses. For tree work I just had completed, I experienced a spread between the high and the low bidders of \$2500; two were from Certified Arborist based companies.

- Guy Hosford

Glastonberry Ladies Night Out -- New Name!

If you are interested in getting out for a Ladies Night Out, please email Holly Reese

Please note the name change. We want to encourage all women in Glastonberry to join us for a night out!

Since Memorial Day is the last Monday in May, we'll skip this month's Ladies Night Out. The next one will be Monday, June 30 at Season's 52 at Perimeter Mall.

- Holly Reese

Driving too Fast on Aubusson

Please be aware of your speed on Aubusson. Drivers are at best saving themselves 15 seconds in time driving 45mph vs a safe rate of 15 to 20mph up the hill. Driving too fast puts young children and pets at risk. We do not want a serious injury or death to get the point across.

Please be remind your family and friends to drive slowly in our neighborhood.

Social

End of School Ice Cream Social for all kids! Friday, May 23 @ 4:30 at the pool (invitation to be sent shortly)

Memorial Day dinner! Get your theme together, get your people! We will be celebrating Sunday, May 25 5-8 pm. Like last year, you choose a group of neighbors (up to ten adults), pick a theme and have everyone bring food and table decor to fit your theme. More specific information to follow!

****Volunteers are needed to help with the Memorial Day party. Please contact Andria Parker to help. ****

City of Johns Creek Newsletter

The City of John's Creek does an email newsletter providing updates on a variety of community events including summer programs, zoning, and traffic. Anyone interested can sign up at <http://www.johnscreekga.gov/> The sign up location is the last icon next to "maps"

- Eileen Bodamer

Picnic Table Wanted for the Playground

Do you have a picnic table you can donate for the Glastonberry Playground? Please contact Kim McDonald.

Local Businesses to Support

Many people have written in to recommend local businesses.

* Vite Lavie - Wine and Tea Bar Jones Bridge Promenade shopping center. (This is in the shopping center where the Workout Anytime is, and the Kayson's Grill used to be.)

* Post Net - Excellent Service for mailing, copies, etc. Located in the Marlows shopping center

* Swiss Alpine Bakery - Lunch and Baked Goods. Located in the Ellard shopping center.

Glastonberry Services

Computer Services and Repairs offered by: Paul H. Pearce

Contractor Directory

Handyman Mark Albright - 770-318-3602 - Eileen Bodamer and Carol Brasher

Tommy's Lighting Tommy 770-223-2507 - Eileen Bodamer

Tile Dave Klatt - 678-772-6894 - Carol Brasher and Eileen Bodamer

SouthScapes Jesus Fernandez 770-851-3303 We have been using Jesus Fernandez at SouthScapes for close to two years now and he is the absolute best that I have come across. He sticks to his schedule, does great work and does the little things that really set his company apart. I highly recommend him to anyone looking to have yard or lawn work done. - Paul Beauregard

Replacement Windows

Wilbanks construction

Jeff Wilbanks

770-318-5071

wilbanksconstruction2004@yahoo.com

We used Jeff for windows. He also does, kitchen, baths, and basements.

- Katie Bowen

Power washing 770-873-4344

Clean America, Inc. Kip Lindquist They do an outstanding job with their truck- mounted high pressure wash system, and they take credit cards and are insured. They seem to be real professional. -Guy Hosford

Windows Washing @770.294.0958. "Squeegee Squad" contact Ben He did a great job and was very reasonable. He also cleans gutters. -Mary Hansen

Exterior Painting and Repairs. Superior Pro @ 770-966-9242 or call Alan Silverman mobile at 770-355-0024. -Guy Hosford

Painter Jack Lloyd, Expert Painting. 404-862-3644 (mobile). In business for 30 years. Specializes in interior and exterior house painting. Honest and dependable. He caulks everything and hand-brushes all surfaces. Jack has painted my house twice since we've lived in Glastonberry and does an outstanding job. - Beth Leonard

Absolute Carpet Care 770-641-1104 For carpet restretching or installation. They will remove wrinkles and bulges from your carpet. He does excellent work. My carpet looks like new. -Beth Leonard

All South Restoration 404-290-4847, for carpet cleaning. Russell Moffitt. - Jen Haslam and Beth Leonard

Images of Green Scott Jones For lawn maintenance, weeding flower beds, trimming bushes, etc. #678-437-9289 -Pribas, Jennings, & Heller families

Alarm system no contract 16.95 a month installed by EMC security. Butch Kiess cell 678 689 4931. If you end up using them tell him we referred you. -Rachelle and Steven Schaffer.

North Georgia Home Improvements is your source for indoor and outdoor remodeling. We specialize in creating unique environments from kitchens & baths to custom basements to outdoor living spaces. If you can dream it, we can create it. Call Allen Welch 404.906.0236. Highly Recommended -Mark and Kim McDonald
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