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ReView

Golf Course View Cluster Association

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Project Updates

Last weekend a group of residents began the renewal of the natural area behind 2151-2153. The group removed several small trees, tilled the soil and began planting perennials. More plants will be added in the next couple of weeks and the area will be mulched.

The planned renovation of the old forsythia bed—the final phase of the long term renewal of the Reston pathway areas—is scheduled to begin next week. The first work will be done by Hix & Sons, who will correct some serious drainage problems behind Courtyards E and F. When that work is completed, a crew from Main Street Landscapes will remove the remaining plants and install the new landscape we described in last month's ReView.

Based on the comprehensive survey of cluster trees conducted last fall and early this year, several trees have been scheduled for removal in the next few weeks. Seven dead, diseased or dangerous trees will be removed, including a white oak and a redbud in Courtyard D, a red pine behind 2162, a hybrid poplar behind 2100, two black locusts behind 2082 and 2086 and a dogwood across Golf Course Drive from 2082.

In the next few weeks, Blade Runners will spend a day pruning obvious deadwood out of cluster trees. And another group of trees will be scheduled for major pruning once the rest of the tree work has been completed.

Blade Runners will also be in the cluster in the next few weeks to reseed some lawn areas that are showing a lot of bare ground.

As part of the board's campaign to encourage all dog owners to clean up after their pets, a few discrete signs have been placed around the neighborhood as a reminder.

The board is putting the finishing touches on a list of contractors residents have identified as providing good service at a reasonable price. This list will be posted on the cluster website next week. If you don't have Internet access, you can request a copy of the list by contacting any board member.

Annual Meeting Scheduled

The annual meeting of the Golf Course View Cluster Association will be held Monday June 13, 2005. Please put this important date on your calendar now and plan to attend.

One item on the agenda will be the election of board members to fill two 1-year and one 3-year terms. If you are interested in serving on the board next year, please contact any board member.

Who Towed That Car and Why?

This week a resident's car was towed from Golf Course Drive by Road Runners Towing without the authorization of the GCVCA Board of Directors.

Road Runners is under contract with Golf Course Square to patrol that cluster and remove illegally parked cars. Apparently, this week the tow truck driver strayed into our cluster by mistake. We're working with Golf Course Square to assure that similar errors don't occur in the future.

Under the parking regulations adopted by our cluster, the cluster president and one other board member must confirm that a car is illegally parked before it can be towed. Except in the case of cars parked in fire lanes, there is also a requirement that a notice be posted on the illegally parked car for a specified period of time before it can be towed.

It's been the board's custom to work with Henry's Towing company when cars need to be towed—not Road Runners. If you see a Road Runners tow truck working in our cluster, please contact the cluster president as soon as possible.

News From Neighbors

Newcomer Meetings

The Greater Reston Newcomers & Neighbors Club welcomes women of Northern Virginia to make new friends, enjoy varied activities from art appreciation to wine tastings, attend monthly meetings and get acquainted coffees and special events. For more information, contact Pat Fitzgerald at.

New Toddler Playgroup Forming

Parents of young children are invited to come out and enjoy the spring weather, socialize with other parents and watch your toddlers make new friends.

Starting April 19th, the group will meet on the lower play-ground (behind Courtyard E). The initial schedule will be Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. and Fridays at 3:00 p.m.

Depending on participation we may add or changes days and times. If you are interested, but can't make the times listed, please contact Kristy Wolan at kwolan_99@yahoo.com.

May Board Meeting

The May board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 10 at 8:00 pm at 2204.

Interested residents are invited to attend.