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Upcoming Events:

Emmanuel Presbyterian Church Summer Community Block Party

Wednesday, August 15, 2018, 6 PM to 8 PM Free food, games and activities for kids!

Thank you to the church for inviting our Lynnfield residents!

Webster Farm/Lynnfield/Mayfield Annual Community Yard Sale

Saturday, September 15, 2018, 8 AM to 12 Noon Will be advertised on Next Door and in The News Journal (no sign up required)

Then join us at the Lynnfield Park on Ridgeland Road for our "Lynnfield Neighborhood Meet-N-Greet"! Saturday, September 15, 2018, 12:30 PM to 2:30 PM



Delmarva Switch to Natural Gas Program – Moving along!

Many neighbors have requested that the LCA pursue adding the option of natural gas to our neighborhood. In order for Delmarva to commit to installing the natural gas lines within our development, there must be at least 50 homes that agree to connect to the lines within 5 years. These 50 residents must submit an application to Delmarva and then when the project would be scheduled they would need to put down a \$200 refundable deposit. This deposit is not due now, however. As of 7/17/18, 32 applications to add the opportunity for natural gas to our Lynnfield neighborhood have been received by Delmarva. If you are interested, please visit https://www.delmarva.com/MyAccount/MyService/Pages/ConverttoGas.aspx and www.lynnfieldcivicassociation.com for more information and a copy of the application. Printed copies of the application are also available upon request.

If applications continue to be submitted, it looks likely the installation of natural gas lines in Lynnfield will be scheduled by Delmarva for **some time in 2019**. The more applications submitted the earlier we may be scheduled. <u>So if you are genuinely interested, please submit your application sooner rather than later</u>. IMPORTANT NOTE: No Lynnfield residents will be REQUIRED to add gas to their homes. Adding the gas lines to the neighborhood gives homeowners the choice to do so.



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LCA Neighborhood Directory

The LCA is updating our Neighborhood Directory with phone numbers and e-mail addresses of our neighbors for distribution to LCA members. This directory has been a part of the Lynnfield community for a long while. Even with the addition of communication alternatives like NextDoor, many of our neighbors still find it beneficial to have phone and/or e-mail contact information for their neighbors. This information is only shared with our Civic Association members. If you would like to have your name, phone number and/ or e-mail address included in our newest edition, please contact us by e-mail at lynnfieldca@gmail.com or by phone/text at 302-333-0398 or contact your District Representative.

Pesky Mosquitoes!

Due to unusually wet weather these past few months, neighbors were concerned about and some experiencing increased mosquito activity. The State of DE, DNREC -Mosquito Control Dept inspected Lynnfield for a mosquito population problems. The results were low so no treatment or fogging from that dept is warranted. Homeowners should treat localized problems as needed. Limiting standing water Is helpful.

Lynnfield Civic Association 2018-2019 Membership Dues

Our 2018-2019 dues collection will begin in September. **Dues will remain at \$25.00 per household.** Payment can be made by either cash or check. Checks should be made payable to Lynnfield Civic Association. All payments may be given to your District Representative or sent to or dropped off to Mary Jo Lobosco, our Treasurer, at 123 Homewood Rd. Our civic association dues are used to pay for community expenses such as those related to snow removal, community lighting at our entry ways from both Wilson Road and Marsh Road, and our membership to the CCOBH. Without our volunteers and the dues, our Lynnfield streets would not be plowed during the winter months. Please consider making this important contribution and joining the LCA.

Thank you to those who continue to join each year and to those who have "paid it forward" by making extra payments to help cover a neighbor who might not be able to pay on their own! Your kindness and concern for your community is greatly appreciated!





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Property Maintenance Violations



Inspecting for Code Violations

New Castle County's code inspectors respond to complaints regarding potential code violations by inspecting the property. Violations that constitute a significant safety hazard - such as an old refrigerator without the doors removed that is sitting out of doors - are followed by a directive to correct immediately. Please view our Top 10 Least Wanted List of the most common code violations.

A Violation Could Mean a Ticket

Property maintenance violations could mean a \$50 ticket for each violation. Upon receiving a complaint, Code Enforcement will perform an inspection. Code Enforcement will send a letter to the property owner listing violations found and give them several days (generally 12) to correct the violations. If the violation still exists when the property is again inspected, a ticket will be issued. If the violation is still not corrected, additional tickets may be issued until it is fixed.

Most Common Violations in Residential Areas

- o Overgrown grass and weeds: Grass must be maintained at a height of eight inches or less.
- Structures in disrepair: Doors, windows, roofing, as well as accessory structures such as sheds and fences, must be maintained in good repair.
- Vehicles: Motor vehicles and trailers on your property must be operable and have up-to-date registration.
 Vehicles, including boats and boat trailers, must be on a hardened surface.
- Debris and junk: The yard should be free of debris, miscellaneous junk, branches, etc. Appliances and bulk items such as stoves, refrigerators, furniture and tires, are considered debris and must not be left out on the property.
- o Trash: Trash and garbage awaiting pick up should be stored in lidded containers at all times.
- Animal feces: Should not be allowed to accumulate. Droppings should be cleaned up daily. Enforced through the
 police, pet owners are responsible for cleaning up feces deposited by their pets on others' properties within one
 hour.
- Swimming pools: All pools capable of holding more than two feet of water (including above-ground pools)
 require a building permit. All pools must meet strict requirements including fencing, self-latching gate and, if
 applicable, electrical standards.
- Encroachment on sidewalk: Bushes, hedges, fences, or tree limbs must not encroach on the sidewalk. No branch should be lower than seven feet over the sidewalk.
- Vacant homes: Any home that is vacant must be maintained as if it were occupied. The grass and shrubs must be trimmed, the exterior in good repair, and doors and windows secured.
- Home based businesses: There are many restrictions on home-based businesses to protect the residential
 nature of the community. Before beginning a home-based business, check with Land Use regarding the
 regulations and restrictions. Also, be certain to check your community's deed restrictions.

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New Castle County Code Enforcement

Top 10 Least Wanted List Ten Most Common Code Violations

www.nccdelu.org

New Castle County is committed to working with communities to help preserve the quality of the hundreds of neighborhoods from Centreville to Smyrna. We have expanded our Code Enforcement Staff to work with civic associations and maintenance corporations. Our enhanced code enforcement staff has identified ten categories of code violations as being the most common

If you are experiencing problems in your community, please call us at 395-5555.

Miscellaneous Property Maintenance Violations. Includes a variety of code sections regarding the maintenance of the interior and exterior of structures (e.g. doors, windows, walls, ceilings, roofing, et These violations are set forth in the BOCA Property Maintenance Code

High Weeds & Grass. Grass and weeds are to be maintained at a height of 8 inches or less at all times.

Unregistered/Inoperable Motor Vehicles. Unless stored in a fully enclosed structure, all motor vehicles are to be properly registered and operable at all times. Placing a tarp or cover over the vehicle does not cure the



violation. Failure to remove a vehicle in violation may result in the vehicle being towed in addition to criminal charges being



Trash. All trash and garbage left outside one's residence awaiting pick-up must be stored in containers with lids at all times Trash may not be left sitting in bags or

Debris. Junk, debris, furniture, tree branches, and other items are prohibited from being stored on the exterior of all residential properties.

Parking on grass. Vehicles may not be parked on the grass or lawn of a residential property. All vehicles are to be parked or stored on a hardened surface

Signs. There are generally three categories of signs: (a) prohibited (i.e. banners, airfilled figures, signs that emit noise, etc.); (b) signs without limitation (e.g. directional signs ideological, informational); and (c) restricted (e.g. billboards, on-site advertising, etc.)

Building without permits. Building permits are required for most types of con-struction and many types of home improvement projects (e.g. plumbing, heating, air conditioning, decks, new homes, some sheds, additions, swimming pools, hot tubs. etc.) It is always wise to contact the Depart-

ment of Land Use at 395-5400 if you have any questions regarding the necessity for a

Home-based businesses. Certain types of businesses may be conducted in residential areas but generally carry many restrictions to ensure that the residential nature of the community is not adversely affected. You should consult the Department of Land Use prior to contemplating any sort of business or home occupation being conducted from your home.

Vacant, unsecured homes. Any vacant home must be maintained as if the home were being occupied (e.g. grass cut, shrubs trimmed, exterior of structure in good repair, and any doors and windows secured to prevent unauthorized entry into the dwell-



New Castle County's Office of Office of Code Enforcement wants to help preserve and protect your investment in your neighborhood.

To report violations or to ask for more information, call New Castle County at 395-5555.

SAVE LIVES Road Safety SPEE

Remind friends, family and visitors to drive slowly and carefully through our community to help keep us all safe. Bike and play saffe too!

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Save money, get terriic service and help to reduce the number of waste pick up service trucks driving through Lynnfield each week... Switch to Evergreen!



Call 302-635-7055
See flyer on back for more information

New Castle County Conservation District

As many neighbors have voiced concerns about poor drainage and ponding problems on their property, we have contacted the New Castle Conservation District and Rep Deborah Heffernan's office for guidance and assistance. They have made a few visits to Lynnfield to inspect various areas, but we have not yet received any response. Please let us know if you are experiencing any drainage issues on your property – e-mail board@lynnfieldcivicassociation.com.

Current LCA Executive Board:

President: Cathy Curry, 125 Homewood Vice-President: Sande Caton, 115 Bette Treasurer: MaryJo Lobosco, 123 Homewood Secretary: Karen Eckert, 128 Homewood

LCA District Street Representatives:

Lower Homewood: David Landow, 25 Homewood Lower Ridgeland: Steve Lafferty, 125 Ridgeland Upper Homewood: Linda Thomas, 203 Bette Upper Ridgeland: Diane Poole, 137 Ridgeland

Carlie Road: Alice Collins, 105 Carlie Bette Road: Linda Mirante, 112 Bette

Social Secretary: Callye Morrissey, 122 Carlie

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LYNNFIELD CIVIC ASSOCIATION / EVERGREEN WASTE SERVICES

Discounted Trash Program Partnership

New Start-Up Incentive: NEW EVERGREEN CUSTOMERS ONLY

- \$63.00/quarter
- Weekly Trash & Recycle collection on Fridays
 - Please have cans curbside by 6:00 am
- Trash and Recycle cans provided
- 1 FREE bulk item weekly Furniture, etc.
 - o White appliances FREE JUST CALL
 - o Electronics FREE JUST CALL

Yard Waste (optional)

o \$1.00/bag or \$3.00/can per week -PLEASE CALL -or- o \$72.00/year includes Christmas tree, 10 bags or 3 cans per week

Once Lynnfield Civic Association reaches 50% subscribership to the partnership, the rates will drop for EVERYONE (INCLUDING EXISTING EVERGREEN CUSTOMERS) to:

\$20.00/Month

The more we have sign-on the better our cost savings can be! There is an additional discount when we get to a 75% participation level.

• Call Evergreen now at 302-635-7055 to start taking advantage of the discounted services for Lynnfield residents.