



Welcome to all of our new neighbors!

It has been a while since we have sent out a newsletter due to the pandemic. We hope that all of our neighbors – both old and new – are doing well. The LCA has continued to work on your behalf when needed and continues to use **Next Door** and **www.lynnfieldcivicassociation.com** to communicate any necessary information to you. Next Door is the quickest way for us to share information so please join. We are once again collecting our annual dues of only \$25 per household (see included letter).

Thank you to the Brackney family for hosting the Lynnfield Little Free Library! You can visit the library at Ridgeland & Homewood to take and enjoy a book or to leave a book for someone else to borrow. Visit <https://littlefreelibrary.org/ourmap/> to see where more little free libraries are in our area.



Thank you to all of our neighbors who work so hard to maintain their homes and to decorate them so beautifully. We receive many compliments from those who walk/run through Lynnfield.

If You Smell Natural Gas... Because natural gas is colorless and odorless, a harmless but strong-smelling ingredient called "mercaptan" has been added to draw attention to any leak that might occur. If you smell this strong odor, or you suspect a natural gas leak, take action right away:

- Immediately extinguish all open flames.
- Alert those in proximity of the potential danger and evacuate the area.
- Do not touch any light switches, do not use the phone, and do not use a flashlight as you leave. Avoid any actions that could cause a spark.
- Never try to fix a leaking natural gas pipeline or extinguish a natural gas fire.
- Do not start or turn off any motorized equipment.
- Do not attempt to find the source of a potential leak or to repair a leak.
- Move a safe distance away from the area and call your natural gas delivery company, or call 911 to report the location of the natural gas odor.
- Stay away from the area until trained professionals arrive to make it safe.

Remember, if you smell gas, leave your home first, THEN call 1-302-454-0317.



Annual Lynnfield/Webster Farm Yard Sale
will be held on **Saturday, September 18st**

(No need to register)

Please post on NextDoor Lynnfield if you plan to participate by selling items at your home so neighbors will know to stop on by! Advertised in Delaware News journal, Craigs List and NextDoor.

Safety Reminder

The NCCPD has seen an increase in thefts from motor vehicles and thefts of motor vehicles throughout all of NCC. **Secure your vehicles and avoid leaving valuables in unattended vehicles.** Report all theft or suspicious behavior to the NCCPD – call 911.

Nextdoor: Private Social Media Network for your Neighborhood

Important: The LCA uses our Nextdoor site to share important information quickly with Lynnfield neighbors. **Sign up today at nextdoor.com or ask us to send you a request to join.**

Evergreen Community Waste Service Discount

Sign up with **Evergreen Waste Services** to receive a community discount! Our current discounted rate is **only \$69 per quarter for weekly trash and recycling pick up & one free bulk item per week. Plus optional yard waste services.** Be sure to ask for the Lynnfield rate when you set up your account. Call 302-635-7055.

Reminder to Dog Owners

Please keep your dogs – even the cute and friendly ones - restrained outdoors for their safety and for the safety of others and please clean up after your pups.

<https://www.nccde.org/229/County-Laws-Code>

LCA 2021 Annual Dues Collection

Please submit your 2021 LCA dues of \$25 per household to your District Rep or to our Treasurer (Mary Jo LoBosco – ### Homewood) or one of our other LCA Board Members. Membership is voluntary, but the services that it pays for such as snow removal are necessary. Thank you!

LCA Executive Board:

President: Cathy Curry
Vice-President: Sande Caton
Treasurer: Mary Jo Lobosco
Secretary: Karen Eckert

LCA District Street Representatives:

Lower Homewood: David Landow, 25 Homewood
Lower Ridgeland: Steve Lafferty, 125 Ridgeland
Upper Homewood: Katelyn Smigo, 125 Carlie
Upper Ridgeland: Callye Morrissey, 122 Carlie
Carlie Road: Alice Collins, 105 Carlie
Bette Road: Linda Mirante, 112 Bette



Lynnfield Civic Association

Brandywine Hundred
Northern Wilmington, Delaware



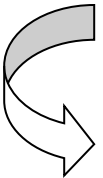
Annual Dues Collection 2021

Dear Neighbors,

Our membership dues collection drive runs from September through November 1, 2019. Our membership dues are used to pay community expenses (not covered by individual households) such as providing snow plowing for our neighborhood streets, the street lights at the neighborhood entrances, and the cost associated with our website. Our membership dues are once again **only \$25 annually**. By paying your dues, you are considered a member of the Lynnfield Civic Association and will be able to vote on community issues at our general meetings. If you are unable to contribute due to financial hardship, please contact a member of the board. We can also accept "Pay It Forward" donations to take the burden off of another neighbor. *It is our goal every year to have 100% participation in our membership dues drive.* Please submit your membership dues to Mary Jo LoBosco, our Treasurer, at 123 Homewood Road or to your District/Street Representative as soon as possible. Payments may be made by check (payable to Lynnfield Civic Association) or cash. Please check out our website at www.lynnfieldcivicassociation.com or our NextDoor site for more information about what's happening in our community.

Thank you in advance for your payment, your time and your community support!

Lynnfield Civic Association Board Members



www.lynnfieldcivicassociation.com
board@lynnfieldcivicassociation.com

**2021 LCA Annual Membership
Dues Receipt of Payment**

District Rep: _____

Member Name: _____

Address: _____

Amount: \$25.00

Date: _____

Cash

Check # _____

Member Copy

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Code Enforcement & Property Maintenance



DEPARTMENT OF
LAND USE
CODE ENFORCEMENT

The Code Enforcement Division works diligently every day to ensure New Castle County remains a safe and desirable place to live, work and recreate. The division focuses its efforts on gaining compliance with all county laws that may affect the quality of life in our neighborhoods and the general welfare of our citizens.

We accomplish this through a fair and unbiased enforcement program where we:

- Investigate complaints regarding violations of county zoning, property maintenance and building codes
- Inspect and monitor over 1,100 vacant properties each month
- Conduct sweeps in troubled neighborhoods

Please note: Code Enforcement cannot enforce other laws/codes or violations on public streets and other areas. Complaints regarding vehicles parked on a public roadway and not on a resident's property should be referred to the New Castle County Police at their non-emergency number of (302) 573-2800 to provide pertinent information.

Should you wish to report a concern regarding a property located within unincorporated New Castle County, please use one of the following methods:

- [Online property maintenance complaint system](#)
- Telephone at (302) 395-5555
- Email at PropertyMaintenance@newcastlede.gov
- In person at the New Castle County Government Center, 87 Read's Way, New Castle

When reporting a code issue, please provide a specific address with as much detail as possible regarding the issue in question. This will help Code Enforcement identify the correct property and begin an investigation more quickly.

Please note: For your personal safety, please do not trespass on someone else's property or aggressively confront the property owner in an attempt to settle the matter yourself.

For more information (or larger print) go to:

<https://www.nccde.org/250/Code-Enforcement-Property-Maintenance>

<https://www.nccde.org/253/Property-Maintenance-Violations>



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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. A list of the most common code violations may be found below.

County Code Enforcement applies the International Property Maintenance Code, 2018 edition, as amended by local amendments. Please visit our [Code Enforcement page](#) for more information.

A Violation Could Mean a Ticket

Property maintenance violations could mean a 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 all violations found which are subject to ticketing and give a time frame to correct the violations. Should the violation still exist 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.

The cost of the first ticket is fifty dollars (\$50.00) for each violation. If a violation is not corrected after issuance of the first ticket, then the owner of the property will be subject to, and liable for, additional tickets in the amounts of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) for the second ticket, and one hundred dollars (\$100.00) for subsequent tickets for the same infraction within one year of the date of the notice of violation.

Report a Concern

Should you wish to report a concern regarding a property located within unincorporated New Castle County, please use one of the following methods:

- [Online property maintenance complaint system](#)
- Telephone at (302) 395-5555
- Email at landuse@nccde.org
- In person at the New Castle County Government Center, 87 Read's Way, New Castle

Most Common Violations in Residential Areas

- **Overgrown grass and weeds:** Grass and weeds 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.
- **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.
- **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.