

Carlson's Ridge Homeowner's Association

Sept. 25, 2014

The wonderful colors of fall are beginning to appear throughout our community. Various pumpkins, mums and fall decorations are appearing in doorways, lawns, and trees are beginning to turn to their lovely hues of golds and reds.

A lovely time was had by all who attended the auction on Sept. 12. This event was organized entirely by the Garden Club. This very popular event was hugely successful in providing enough funds to subsidize the committee for the rest of the year. Special thanks go out to the project leaders, Nettie and Hilary McKenna. All members need to be commended for their hard work in planning, providing food, and organizing the event. They are: Carol DiVico, Terry D'Andrea, Joan King, Bea Castellan, Bunny DeCarlo, Brita Polito, Pat O'Loughlin, Doris Baggett, Catherine DeLuca, Erna Jonke and Margaret Lachlan. Special thanks also goes out to the auctioneer, Bill O'Loughlin and the men who helped to set up: Burke Veley, Sam DeLuca, Alan Lachlan, Jim Polito, John Jonke, and Charlie King. The committee also thanks all who donated or purchased items. The community spirit in this event demonstrates the commitment we all have in making our development the best it can be.

Maintenance Items

Power washing was completed on half of the development, and all damage from storms have been repaired. There were three major summer projects completed this year. Staining of 24 decks was completed. The rest of the development will be done next spring. The cost for this maintenance was shared with the homeowner and association 50/50. The second major project was sealing major cracks in the street and lower portion of driveways. This was completed by M&S Paving. Lastly Russell Fencing replaced major portions of the rear fence with new posts and rails and did a wonderful job.

Gutter cleaning will be done by A+ Home Improvement after all the leaves have fallen. There has been discussion on upgrading the gutters to a larger size due to excessive water spillage, and further discussion will take place at the upcoming homeowner's meeting on Oct. 29. You have already received a letter in this matter. At this meeting, election of officers and budget approval will take place. If you are interested in running for any office, please contact REI or a board member. Volunteers are welcome.



Other Business

Once again we remind dog owners to be respectful of neighbor's lawns. There are abundant areas in our complex to walk dogs that would not interfere with residents' privacy. We ask owners to curb their dog and utilize the common circles or areas by the gazebo for this purpose. The bi-laws clearly state: **All dogs must be on a leash at all times, and all waste must be picked up.** Violations on these matters may result in fines. Dogs urinating or leaving waste on resident's lawns is damaging and disrespectful.

With the holiday season approaching we also remind residents to ask visitors to utilize driveways and visitor parking and NOT park on the road. We thank you for your consideration in these matters.

Mark Your Calendar

Oct. 29- 6:30 Senior Cntr.Homeowner's Meeting

Community News:

Please welcome our newest residents Geoff & Kathy Schatteman at 14 CRR.

Your Board of Directors

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