June Newsletter

FAC HOA Yard of the Month Winner for May

The HOA is sponsoring a friendly yard of the month competition May - September. Yard landscaping visible from the street and sidewalk should be neat, well-maintained, and have "curb appeal". Preference will be given to those who did not win last year.



The winner for May is 2523 Eagleview Circle, belonging to Wendy and John Gaffield. You've probably noticed their yard because of the lush, well-manicured lawn. Perhaps you also noticed the Louisa Weeping Crabapple tree in the southwest corner of their home. John keeps the tree pruned to maintain its unique shape. He is proud that he maintains his lawn without excessive use of herbicides or pesticides. He uses a mulching mower to return grass clipping nutrients to the soil. Mowing plus 3-day watering practices help the turf stay thick, making it difficult for weeds to gain a "foothold". A Newport Plum tree that died during the 2014-2015 winter cold snap was removed and replaced with a Gladiator Crabapple tree. The tree maintains a narrow profile, which is ideal for the side yard. Wendy's and John's yard also features two Autumn Purple Ash trees, one in the front yard. Both trees are being proactively treated for the Emerald Ash Borer using a trunk injection process, resulting in no hazardous materials entering the air, soil or ground water. John says that he enjoys working in his yard. "It's very relaxing".

Annual HOA Dues Due July 1

You should have already received a letter about dues. If not, contact the treasurer at treas@fachoa.org. Late charges will start to accrue after payment is 5 days overdue.

July 4 Parade Cancelled, But This Will Change if Volunteers Come Forward

If we don't have some volunteers by June 19 for the child-oriented July 4 morning parade, the event will be cancelled. Contact soc@fachoa.org to volunteer. If the event is NOT cancelled, you will hear about it by means of a flier distributed the week of June 27.

Want a Neighborhood Garage Sale This Summer?

If you want to participate in a neighborhood garage sale this summer, email the social committee (soc@fachoa.org) by June 15, 2016. Include your name, address, and preferred Saturday dates. This event will occur only if there is enough interest.

Need Back Fence Repair?

Homeowners with an HOA-owned perimeter fence that needs repair should email the board (hoa@fachoa.org) ASAP. Contact us if you have a good fence company to recommend.

Being a Good Neighbor

Please trim bushes and trees so they don't encroach on sidewalk space. It's no fun walking in the dark and running into a tree branch that's extending over the sidewalk. Also, please stay on top of your weeds, not just for your yard but also because if your weeds aren't controlled, they will more easily spread to your neighbors' yards. Finally, if your pets poop outside, pick it up!

Website Link for House and Landscaping Improvements

As a reminder, our website (<u>www.fachoa.org/documents.html</u>) has links for property guidelines and Architectural Control Committee approval forms for exterior house and landscaping improvements. Please allow 5-7 days for the approval process.