

Leewood Times

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Greetings from the Leewood Board

Hello to all Leewood Residents,

It is that time of year when we celebrate holidays in various ways and at many times. It is also a time for reminders that affect our community.

Leaves have fallen and will need to be removed. Our grounds and maintenance crew have already been through our neighborhood twice, and the leaves continue to fall. Our grounds contractor is scheduled for at least one more leaf blowing. In the meantime, if you elect to rake the leaves, please be mindful of raking leaves near curb areas or into streets. This can become a hazard during inclement weather, especially for those on foot when getting in and out of cars. Because we have many trees with LOTS of fallen leaves, we know it can be quite unsightly, and we appreciate your patience.

Parking has been and continues to be a huge problem in our community, so much so that we have a "Parking" section on page 2. Please be a courteous neighbor and considerate of others in our community.

Trash talk continues to be a dirty discussion. Trash is collected on Tuesdays and Fridays, while recycling is picked up only on Tuesdays. Uncollected trash/recycling, trash/recycling blown around on windy days, and trash set out early is an eyesore for our community. Please review Leewood's Trash Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) at <http://www.leewood.us/faq/faqstrash.htm>. In addition, our trash contractor, American Disposal Services, has provided notice of upcoming changes to their pick-up. Please check our website for a summary of these changes. Winter updates are also presented on Page 3.

With winter comes snow and ice. It is the responsibility of each homeowner to clear the sidewalk in front of the owner's residence.

Now comes the part that I especially enjoy in our December Newsletter: to wish each and every one of you a happy holiday season and a healthy and prosperous New Year. Oh, I almost forgot, thank you for the beautiful decorations around our neighborhood. It makes walking through Leewood a pleasant experience.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!

Pat Willingham

Leewood President

REMINDERS FROM THE BOARD

- ✓ Quarterly Assessments are due January 1, April 1, July 1, and October 1. The assessment has increased slightly to \$235 (quarterly). Assessment vouchers were sent out in November with the increase notice. If you haven't received a voucher sheet, please contact the Board as soon as possible.
- ✓ We will hold our Annual Board meeting on March 14th in 2017. Additional information will be mailed to homeowners in February. We invite you all to come to meet your neighbors, exchange your ideas, and discuss upcoming community news. We hope to see you there!
- ✓ Please turn on your front and back outdoor lights. It provides extra illumination for our community and may prevent a break-in to your home or your neighbors.
- ✓ Pet owners, please be a responsible for your pets at all times and always pick up after your pets. Properly dispose of what you pick up after your dog. Place it in a trash receptacle; do not leave it on the ground by the curbside trash pick-up locations. Dog poop is not only an unsightly, smelly waste, but it's toxic! Remember, being a good neighbor and resident of our community means doing your part to keep our sidewalks and common areas clean and safe.
- ✓ With winter comes the potential for snow, and we've certainly seen our fair share over the years. Please remember to clear your sidewalks; and if you can, lend a helping hand to your fellow neighbors and help them too. Also, if you can, lend a hand and shovel snow away from fire hydrants, drains, and mailboxes.

PARKING IN LEEWOOD

One of the most discussed topics at meetings and among neighbors is parking in our community. We hear your concerns and have thought about how we might be able to address this. We are open to your ideas and feedback- please share! In the meantime, we ask each of you to consider your (and your visitors) parking options and actions in our neighborhood.



Each lot (townhome) is provided one reserved space and the remaining unreserved spots are up for grabs. Many residents are using more than their **fair share** of unreserved spaces. Yes, the unreserved spaces are open for all, but keep in mind that neighbors have a right to park and if you are taking more than three spaces, you are not being a considerate neighbor. Extra parking is available on Bradwood Street and the service road of Braddock.



Each homeowner has a reserved parking space with the owner's lot number painted on it, and all unmarked are considered unreserved. Please ask guests, vendors, contractors, and other visitors to park in an unmarked space. Parking in another homeowner's reserved space is not considerate and may result in immediate towing of the vehicle.



The Board recommends that all homeowners read the Association parking rules and regulations (available on the website).

WINTER TRASH SERVICE NEED TO KNOW

Below are the holiday schedule and winter updates from our disposal contractor:



Winter/Holiday Service Schedule

Dear Valued Customer,

Happy Holidays! As we enter the busy Holiday season, we would like to remind you of the upcoming collection schedule and inclement weather policies.

Christmas Day & New Year's Day: Falls on a Sunday this year. There will be no interruption in your service.

Yard Debris Collection: Yard debris collection ends effective January 11th unless your contract specifies otherwise. If you have yard debris to be collected after this date, place your items curbside on your 2nd collection day of the week until the season resumes the 1st week of March.

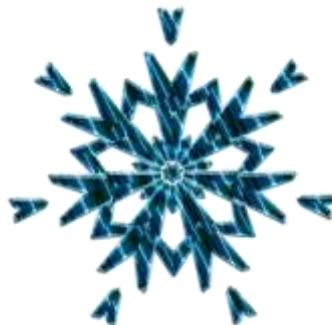
Christmas Tree Collection: Christmas trees will be collected on January 4th and 11th. We ask that all tinsel and decorations be removed. Please do not place trees in plastic bags.

Inclement Weather: Safety in your community is our primary concern. Roads and/or areas, which are deemed unsafe due to snow or ice will be suspended for collection. If we are unable to provide collection, services will resume on the next regularly scheduled collection day. Be on the lookout for the red alert bar on our website to see if service will be affected due to inclement weather.

We would like to thank you for the opportunity to service you and your community. If you have any questions, please call our customer service department at 703-368-0500 Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM or visit us on our website at www.americandisposal.com.

At your disposal,

American Disposal Service



FOCUS FEATURE: LOCAL ICE SKATING

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The air is crisp and cold, and each breath is a visible reminder that winter is upon us. For some of us, the hibernation process has already begun, as we snuggle into our homes for the next 3 months or so. But for those who want to let Jack Frost know that we appreciate his magic, it's can be a great time to get out and about. Grab those gloves, pop on that hat, zip that jacket, and whip on that scarf- it's time for some ice skating!

Have you ever wanted to learn how to skate? Thought about playing hockey? How about a birthday party for the kids (because why should the summer birthdays have all the fun?)? We have so many venues in the area that have a little special something for everyone!

There are many ice rinks open throughout the winter season (most through March 2017). Rates and skate times may vary- please call ahead. Here are a few of the local rinks and contact information:

The Washington Harbour Ice Rink (DC)
<http://www.thewashingtonharbour.com/ice-skating>
DC's largest outdoor skating venue!
202.706.7666

Kettler Capitals IcePlex (Arlington)
<http://www.kettlercapitalsiceplex.com/>
Practice Rink Home of our Washington Capitals!
571.224.0555

Pentagon Row Ice Skating (Arlington)
<http://www.pentagonrowskating.com/>
Largest outdoor rink in Northern Virginia with shopping aplenty
703.418.6666

Ice Skating at the National Gallery of Art (DC)
<http://www.nga.gov/content/ngaweb/visit/ice-rink.html>
Events include a Happy Hour Skate & Mom/Dad/Me Skate
202.216.9397

Fairfax Ice Arena (Fairfax)
<http://www.fairfaxicearena.com/>
703-323-1131

