

FALL NEWSLETTER



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Opening Remarks

Summer has ended, and the leaves have begun to fall. Bill, our maintenance employee, has flown south for the winter to start on new beginnings and we wish him well on his future endeavors. However, we are pleased to introduce Perry Herr who will resume the maintenance responsibilities for our community. Perry comes to us with a construction background and knowledge and look forward to his contributions to the community.

Please take some time to consider your home site needs as the season comes to an end and the winter will soon be upon us. Trimming overgrown trees/bushes and cleanup around your home-site this autumn will save you time and energy from doing it next Spring.

There have been several changes since the Spring Newsletter and we will try to address them all.

A few Community Rules & Regulations reminders:

- Observe the speed limit and stop signs within the Community
- All guests/occupants of 14+ days must complete an application and be approved by Management.

Yard Waste Pickup Schedule

Waste Management can NO LONGER pickup any trash containers that have yard debris mixed in with the household trash. New legislation that took effect January 2011 has banned the co-mingling of these trash items. ELS has continued yard waste services for the community through the Summer on a weekly basis.

Moving forward, yard waste pickup will be on the following Monday after Waste Management Recycling pickup on Friday.

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- All pets must be leashed when walked or outside of your home. Resident is responsible for immediate removal of all pet litter. All pets must be registered under the “Pet Agreement” with Management in your lease file.
- Curbside trash, recycling, and yard waste must NOT be left curbside for more than 24 hours prior to service or after service collection has been completed. Contact Neighborhood Watch for a “Good Neighbor” registration.
- Exterior home maintenance is required under the Rules & Regulations. If you receive notice from ELS/Management, you have 12 days to comply with our request or be in violation of your lease.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Please see *Yard Waste Pickup Schedule* on page 4

Curbside Recycling

Waste Management has rolled out the new Universal Recycling Law curbside service for Camelot Meadows on Friday, September 16th. Information and carts should have been received in August for preparation of this new service. Instructions for recycling are printed on the container lid. We are aware of the mix-up of service dates distributed by Waste Management and hope this small calendar will clarify things.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call us in the Management Office.

**NOTE - yard waste will be on the following Monday.*

Neighborhood Watch Tips

Crime is not out-of-control in our community. However, in order to control crime within our community we need to continue our efforts of last year and increase our awareness of suspicious activities/behaviors that are occurring.

Neighborhood Watch will be looking for increased support this off season and we encourage you all to participate in whatever manner you are able for the success of this program.

Below are some areas we need to be aware of to help ourselves, the State and Local Police to control:

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NOVEMBER

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- If we see a suspicious car or individuals in the neighborhood, report it to the State Police on the non-emergency hot line (302) 855-2980. If you are reporting a vehicle, try to get the license plate number. Remember we had issued "Resident Parking" stickers for all resident vehicles to be used on the front, top center of your windshields.
- When we are out walking, jogging, or biking, be aware of suspicious individuals in the neighborhood. One area to be aware of is the individual going house to house under the guise of being a "Handy Man" looking for work! When in doubt, call the Police and/or Management office.

Please see *Neighborhood Watch* on page 5

Pool Passes for 2012

We had a safe and sunny summer with plenty of opportunities to enjoy our community pool. Please hold onto your 2011 pool passes and guest bands for 2012. It has not been determined if they will be reused as they were this year.

There was plenty of feedback from residents this summer on the lifeguards and enforcement of pool rules & regulations. These varied widely both positive and negative with strong opinions in both directions. Please keep in mind only ELS management has the right to change/update and enforce the rules & regulations regarding the pool and clubhouse

2011 Improvement Projects

Improvements for 2011 were mainly focused on fencing projects and roadways. The 6' white vinyl fencing that was installed last year near the pool area, separating Camelot Meadows from the Econo Lodge, was completed this summer. We now have a completed fence perimeter from the parking lot of the Econo Lodge providing increased security to our community and privacy during the summer months for all those who enjoy our pool.

In addition to the white vinyl fencing, a large section of chain link fencing was replaced with new chain link fencing along W. Estate Drive. Sussex Tree completed tree maintenance and removal prior to the fence work being done to prepare the site for long term maintenance. Repairs will be completed along existing fencing with tie straps and through vegetation removal (ivy, vines, etc.).

Road paving will be completed this month, finishing Palace Lane at the office, pool and clubhouse location, where we improved the corner intersection

use. Any questions or concerns regarding these rules & regulations or use of the community amenities should be directed to the management office.

In an effort to reduce questions, we have finally posted the pool rules & regulations at the pool entrance for reference.



of Palace with E. Estate Drive last year. The budget for 2012 will be increased to help address a greater number of roads which we would like to see improved sooner, rather than later. The 2012 road improvements will be done in the Spring.

Earlier this year, we held a Spring planting to improve the entrance island. Although only a few were able to attend, their hard work helped accomplish the 1st phase of the entrance makeover. We are looking for at least double the volunteers for next spring as we aim to tackle and complete the back section of the entrance island. Tentatively, the 1st weekends in May will be targeted for this project. Look for updates in the Spring 2012 newsletter and on the HOA website www.CamelotMeadowsHOA.org.

Yard Waste Pickup from page 1

MONDAYS (beginning 11/14/11) and will continue to do so under the guidelines listed below.

This includes:

- 10 bag/bundle limit on yard waste (leaves, grasses, branches)
- ONLY biodegradable paper bags or bundled branches (NO plastic bags or trash cans!)
- NO DUMPING at the dumpster location is permitted!
- YARD WASTE pickups will be **every other week**.
- Any yard waste put out to the curb prior to Sunday will **NOT** be collected!

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Neighborhood Watch from page 2

- We have a number of homeowners who do not live here year round. Let's try the "Adopt a Neighbor" policy. If you have an individual who lives by you and you know they don't live here year round, ask them if they would appreciate you helping out by picking up old newspapers or taking down hand outs/flyers (this is not suppose to be happening, but does) from their entry doors. Criminals use this method by hanging flyers on the door and then returns to see who has taken them down. They target the homes that still have the flyers up! Park in your "adopted neighbors" driveway from time to time, in the winter time, pull in the driveway (leave tracks), walk around the house to check for broken windows, etc., make it look like someone is home.
- If you or your neighbors don't have dusk to dawn or motion detector lights on your house, put them up. Nothing deters crime like a well-lit community.
- Please lock your car! Get in the habit of locking your car at all times. Again, it only takes a few seconds for the criminal to grab something out of your car.

The State Police hold meetings every quarter. The main discussion is "How we can continue to prevent crime in our neighborhoods". Please be a part of our Community Neighborhood Watch in whatever capacity you are able. Contact John Morris via the HOA website (www.camelotmeadowshoa.org) or phone (302) 430-8455 to learn more about this program and help expand it.

Best regards and Please Stay Safe.

Delmarva Power Street Lamp Project

ELS and Delmarva Power are working on improving the community street lamps following the completion of the underground service cable project this Fall/Winter. Delmarva Power will be replacing all street lamps to a new, high pressure sodium lamp head and light fixture.

The amber color lamp provides the best visibility of pedestrians and coverage for residential use. In addition, it is a greener light fixture and more energy efficient. We are excited to have this project

completed as the autumn season brings longer nights and increased reliance on street lamp protection.

ELS, through the feedback received from the HOA and residents, are looking to add 2 additional lamps on Ladd Lane and Palace Lane.

Management monitors the street lamps on a monthly basis. Residents are always welcome to phone in any street lamps that may be out (or running continuously during the day).

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