SHADES OF CRAYSDALE

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April 2007

ASSOCIATION MEETING—April 10th @ 7:30 p.m.

Mark your calendar for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 10th! (Please note the time change!) At that day and time we will hold our annual Graysdale Homeowners Association meeting. Please plan to attend, as this is your primary way to have input into decisions affecting our neighborhood!! Our planned agenda is below – Please send any suggestions for additional agenda items to Barry Bram, our president, at bqb7@yahoo.com.

Annual Meeting Agenda:

- 1. Overview of Upcoming Events
- 2. Election of a new GHA President
- 3. Budget review
- 4. Patton Township Update Doug Erickson, Township Manager
- 5. Discussion of proposed changes to GHA By-Laws

ASSOCIATION DUES

As decided at the last GHA meeting, annual Association dues are now to be paid by December 15th of each year. That change was made because the Board's fiscal year runs from January 1 through December 31. Dues paid by December 15th, 2007 will be for the 2008 calendar year. IF YOU STILL HAVEN'T PAID YOUR 2007 DUES, please do so a.s.a.p. by dropping your check for \$50 off to Christina Fetzer, using the small black dropbox located near her door at 117 Doubletree Place.

ARE YOU A BORN LEADER?

...Or at least willing to give it a try? The Graysdale Homeowners' Association will be electing a new president at our April meeting. If you are interested, or at least curious, please contact Barry Bram, our current president, at bqb7@yahoo.com. We need YOU!

WATCH THAT WIND...AND FLYING GARBAGE!

Often, garbage and recyclables (mostly recyclables) blow from the houses along Gray's Woods Blvd. across from the Graysdale Park parking lot. Centre Region Parks and Recreation crew picks the garbage up, but when it's windy out, they are picking up garbage every week (on garbage day). Please help them out, and keep our neighborhood free from debris, by securing your trash and recyclables in windy weather.

NEW WEB SITE!!

We have a new Web site, thanks to neighbor Mark Olson! Check out http://www.graysdale.com. Nothing has been password protected yet (meaning also that the online directory is not available yet. Keep an eye on your e-mail inbox – an e-mail notice will be sent when that is in place!) If you have additional ideas for resources that should be on our site, please contact GHA Secretary Ann Taylor at anntaylor@psu.edu.

PLEASE DON'T DUMP YOUR GRASS

Hard to believe that we'll be mowing lawns soon! Please remember that grass clippings are NOT to be dumped anywhere in the neighborhood or park. Composting or mulching mowers are suggested for keeping grass clippings at bay.

UPCOMING EVENTS

• Park Clean-up Day: April 21

This is a day when community volunteers help clean up Centre County parks like Graysdale Park. Typical tasks include mulching, trimming brush, and raking ball fields. This year's clean-up at Graysdale Park will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 21 - and we need YOU! Please notify Ann Taylor (anntaylor@psu.edu or 235-9690) if you can pitch in. Even if you can only help out for an hour, it will be greatly appreciated!

Graysdale Neighborhood Garage Sale: Saturday, May 12th

Get ready for Spring cleaning! This annual event is simply a way to bring more "shoppers" to your own garage sale. The Homeowners Association will take out an ad in the Centre Daily Times on behalf of the entire neighborhood...then all you have to do is open your garage door and start selling...and plan how you'll use your earnings! The GHA Board would like to thank Leslie Mateer for taking on the coordination (again!), of this popular event!!

• Bulk Pick-up Day: Friday, May 18th

Conveniently scheduled for the week after the neighborhood garage sale, this is the date when our local trash collectors will take "oversized" items on our regularly scheduled trash pick up day during the week of May 14 to Friday, May 18, 2007. For more information, see http://cog.centreconnect.org/refuse/bulk_waste_collections.htm

• Graysdale Ice Cream Social, June 10th from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Come celebrate summer! We'll meet at the small pavilion in the park, where the Homeowners Association will provide ice cream and toppings for all to enjoy!

Graysdale Picnic, Sunday, August 26th, 5:00-7:00:

As summer draws to a close, the Homeowners Association will host our annual potluck picnic. More info will be sent closer to the event. We need volunteers to help make this event a success! Please consider volunteering to coordinate this event or to help out with set-up, clean-up, grilling, games, etc. Contact GHA Secretary Ann Taylor at anntaylor@psu.edu or 235-9690 if you can help.

MOVING OUT?

Please remember to complete a "Resale Certificate" with your realtor so that the Association can be notified of the change of property ownership (part of our neighborhood bylaws). If you have any questions, please contact our treasurer, Christina Fetzer, at christinafetzer@comcast.net.

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