

Spring is here!

April 28, 2014

6:30 p.m.

**Connections
Community Church
(Old Musselman
Plant)**

**303 True Apple
Way**

Agenda Items

- **Dues Increase**
- **Nominations**
- **Safety & NW**
- **Mineral Drive**
- **General Concerns**

*Please bring a
canned good to
donate to the church!*

NOMINATIONS ARE NEEDED!

The current fiscal year end is quickly approaching and that means the current officers' terms are coming to an end. We need nominations for all of the positions as many of the current officers and Board members will be unable to participate next year for various reasons.

Positions available are:

President
Vice President
Secretary
Treasurer
3 at large Board members

Please submit nominations via email to

sylvangrovehoa@gmail.com or at the upcoming HOA meeting.

These are volunteer positions that require a lot of time and involvement in the neighborhood.

We need dedicated people who are interested in making this neighborhood better to nominate themselves for positions.

SPRING CLEANUP

Now that winter is finally out of here, it's time to starting springing up the neighborhood. This is a perfect time for some spring cleaning! Please take some time over the next few weeks to start cleaning up properties that have been neglected over the winter

months. Things to fix are:

- Cars being parked in yards for extended periods of time.
- Various trash, clutter, and other debris in front yards or in plain site of the roadway that have been in place for a long time
- Untagged or out of state vehicles beyond a 30 day period
- Tree limbs hanging into the roadway hitting cars

Property values are already low enough as it is without having our neighborhood looking sloppy and unkempt. Please be courteous to your neighbors and the rest of Sylvan Grove and start your spring cleaning early. Before you know it, it will be time to start mowing grass!

SGHA officers receive complaints all the time about how run down the neighborhood has been looking. We will notify you of complaints received and ask that you remedy the issue within a certain period of time. After that, the County Code Enforcement Officer will be notified and you run the risk of being cited and fined.

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Officers

Pres. Dan Reap 229-0995
 VP Vicki Bucher
 Treas. Shannon Potter 229-8406
 Sec. Cheryl Middleton 229-5086

Board Members:
 Les VanGilder 229-8284
 Mike McDonald 261-6907
 Don Cherry 304-821-1366

Building Committee

Do you want to make some improvements to your house? Do you want to install a fence, put up a shed, or construct an addition? Besides getting the appropriate County approvals, you also need to submit plans to the Building Committee to ensure what you want to do doesn't violate the covenants. Email the HOA to get someone from the Building Committee to contact you or contact Les, Dan, or Don.

Next HOA Meeting

The next HOA meeting will be held on **June 16, 2014**. At this meeting, final ballots will be collected and tallied. Announcement of new officers and board members as well as the vote on increased dues will be announced. Prior to the meeting, ballots will be mailed out to each homeowner. All voting must be done via ballots. No verbal voting will be accepted.

MINERAL DRIVE CROSSING

The HOA made progress on getting the crossing at Mineral Drive reopened last fall only to hit another roadblock. We reached agreement with the State and the original developer. The final hurdle is once again Winchester & Western Railroad. Although they previously agreed that if we were able to meet a few specific requirements, they would reopen Mineral Drive. Unfortunately

this past fall, they added a new requirement in the mix that had not once been mentioned during the previous several years that the crossing discussion had been taken place. We've asked them for more information repeatedly and they are now refusing to respond to our inquiries. Although the HOA has been acting in good faith during the entire negotiation process, it appears that Winchester & Western has not been. We are disappointed in their

most recent actions and hope to be able to eventually come to resolution on this matter. Only having the one entrance/exit on First Street onto True Apple Way has proved to be difficult since the closer, especially during times of inclement weather. The HOA is looking out for the safety of the residents and we hope to one day have Mineral Drive reopened.

Visit our website!

www.sylvangrovehoa.com

You can download past newsletters, copies of covenants, and keep up to date with the happenings in the neighborhood!

Comments or Questions? Email us at sylvangrovehoa@gmail.com

INCREASE IN SPEEDING

There has been an increase in speeding in the neighborhood that can no longer be blamed on community traffic. In addition, more and more residents have been seen running the stop sign at Mineral Drive and First Street. Please SLOW DOWN before someone gets hurt. The speed limit is 25 mph.

President's Corner

During last year's election, it was unfortunate that so few people participated but that those that did failed to support a dues increase. I will once again be adding an item to the ballot to increase the dues to \$150 a year. This increase is needed to continue to maintain the neighborhood. -Dan

Community Yard Sale

The community yard sale will be May 10th. Ads will be placed with local and online media outlets. Please remember to take down your signs after the event and to dispose of any yards ale leftovers properly .