Glen Arden Heights Civic Association

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Neighbors, The new Glen Arden Heights Civic Association Board has prioritized the following initiatives in the first quarter of 2022:

- Improving lighting
- Operation Hide-the-Wall
- Creating a Glen Arden Heights Website
- Repairing Broken Sidewalks
- Following up with Duke Energy on impacts from the underground powerline project

We are excited to share more details on each initiative below.

Lighting:

The Board aims to increase safety by upgrading & adding lighting throughout the neighborhood. For now, the city has approved an additional light pole near Hermitage and Wakefield Drives. They will also trim several trees which are blocking the output of light in other areas.

Operation Hide the Wall:

Previous Boards wisely planted bushes directly in front of the Oranole Road Wall. We have talked with Ken Thieme, our expert lawn maintenance person, and we will let the bushes grow thicker and higher to hide the dilapidated sections of the wall and to have height consistency with other neighborhoods along Oranole Road. Please bear with us if you see "scruffy-looking" areas.

Glen Arden Heights Website:

Thanks to our neighbor, Danny Poskevich, the GAHCA website is now up and running at **glenardenheights.com**. The goal of the website is to provide general neighborhood info, share links to our Facebook and Next Door groups (for community updates in real-time), offer secure sign-up for a digital newsletter and give the option to pay dues online. *Residents who wish to continue paying by cash or check will be able to do so. Paper newsletters will also still be available.*

Broken Sidewalks:

Hats off to the City of Altamonte Springs for fixing broken sidewalks on the east side of Mt. Vernon Parkway. The Board reported the areas to the city, and they immediately responded. Although it was an inconvenience while closed, the repairs will keep our neighborhood

Duke Energy Information:

If you have any unresolved issues following Duke Energy's underground powerline project, please contact our Duke Energy Project Manager, Tali, at 386-785-4181 or via email at <u>nephtali.mercado@duke-energy.com</u>.

Additional Notes:

Dues-

The Board realizes dues became payable in January, and thank you to the residents who already paid. Dues remain at \$60 per year, with an extra \$5 for holiday decor. Additional donations are greatly appreciated. Residents may use any of the following payment methods:

- Deliver or mail cash or check to Joyce Dorfman directly at 804 Arlington Blvd. (Or, put an envelope in her mailbox after the mail has been delivered).
- Pay dues electronically via the secure payment portal on Glenardenheights.com.

Spring Clean-up-

March 28 - April 8, 2022 Household items such as furniture, appliances, and large tree trimmings and branches are picked up free of charge by the city. Tree trimmings should not exceed 10 feet in length or three feet in diameter. Place items curbside by 7 a.m. on regular garbage days. The last pickup day for Glen Arden Heights is Friday, April 8th. Items placed at the curb after collection crews have come by on these days will NOT be collected. NOTE: The city DOES NOT collect electronics, tires, propane tanks, paint, motor oil, pesticides, herbicides, pool chemicals or other household hazardous waste. During cleanup, materials must be placed curbside by 7 a.m. on your normal refuse collection day. Please be sure to place debris at the curb and away from light poles, mailboxes or trees. Yard waste Wednesday collection continues during cleanup. Residents who cannot wait for spring cleanup for large item pickups can call (407) 571-8607 to request a special pick-up. The minimum charge is \$70.

Contact the 2022 Board-

Our Goal: To keep all residents **informed**, **interested** and **involved**. Contact us at <u>glenardenheightspresident@gmail.com</u> or <u>glenardenheightssecretary@gmail.com</u>.

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