Greene Acres

Property Owners Association Newsletter

GAPOA, 435 Greene Acres Rd N, Stanardsville, VA 22973

COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP DAY

APRIL 13th

More info on page 2.

ATTENTION! There is a new official GAPOA website! Check it out at: greeneacresva.com

Board member contact info, governing documents, past meeting minutes and much more.

The old web address at gapoa.org will no longer be updated.

ASSESSMENTS WERE DUE March 15th

For past due accounts, payment plans can be arranged to assist with accounts. A payment plan will avoid late fees, liens filed on your property, and warrants in debt. Please contact the Treasurer at 434-990-1274 to discuss your options.

Hang tags for 2019 are enclosed for paid accounts.

WWW.GREENEACRESVA.COM

Future Board Meetings

Saturday, **April 6, 2019**– 10:00 a.m. – Greene CO Admin. Bldg.– Regular Board Meeting

Saturday, **July 13th, 2019 –** 10:00 a.m. – at the Pavilion – Regular Board Meeting

Saturday, September 7th, 2019 – 10:00 a.m. – at the Pavilion – <u>ANNUAL</u> <u>MEMBERSHIP MEETING</u>

Septic System Funding May End Soon

All Culpeper Soil and Water Conservation District residents (Culpeper, Greene, Madison, Orange and Rappahannock counties) continue to be eligible for reimbursement of fifty to eighty percent of the expense of pumping, maintaining, repairing or replacing existing conventional septic systems. Several different reimbursement payments are available depending on the actual needs of the system, with more than fifty percent reimbursement available on a sliding scale based on household income. Applications are required and need to be approved prior to the work being started or funding can be denied.

For further information on the program please call: (540) 825-8591 or (540)948-7531. A program brochure is available at: <u>http://www.culpeperswcd.org/wp-content/uploads/septic-all-5-june-2018.pdf</u>.

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When? APRIL 13th From 9 AM to Noon with a hotdog lunch to follow. There may be a possible second shift from 1-4 depending on the need and interest.

A dumpster will be at the beach parking lot. You can come down at 9 and pick up bags. If you are unable to bring the filled bags to the dumpster they can be left along the roadside and will be picked up. If you are cleaning up around your yard this material MUST be taken to the dumpster and NOT left along the road.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Mixed Use
 - Household Items & Waste
 - Paper
 - Plastics
 - Glass
 - Furniture
- Construction Debris
 - Remodeling Materials
 - Shingles (max 20 square)
 - Bath and Kitchen Tear Outs
- Yard Waste- Vegetative debris, stuff that is woody and can be burned, should be brought down and there will be a pile near the dumpster. This will be hauled to a burn area.
- Appliances & Scrap Metal- Large amounts of appliances and/or scrap metal may be added to separate dumpster.
- **Tires** Are acceptable **HOWEVER** they are to be separated out and NOT placed in the dumpster.

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

 Paint, Chemicals, Solvents of Any Kind, Asbestos, Oil Cans or Oil Drums, Radioactive, Volatile, Highly Flammable Liquids or Materials, Explosives, Bio-Medical Waste, Infectious Waste, Toxic or Hazardous Materials and Liquids of Any Kind.

This is NOT the time for you to just bring old furniture and stuff in your house you want to get rid of...it's meant to be a clean-up of existing debris and junk in the woods and on the roadsides.

The dumpster (s) will remain at the parking area till Monday when they will be picked up. So you are encouraged to do additional cleanup on your own on Sunday.

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The Importance of Pruning & Trimming

Too often, plant maintenance is overlooked. There are several benefits to a well maintained landscape besides aesthetic purposes. Sure, your home's exterior property will look much more presentable, but pruning and trimming also allow for proper plant growth, as well as helping to control insects and plant related diseases.

Pruning plants while they're still dormant—in late winter and early spring—offers several advantages. First, it gives you a great excuse to head into the garden on a balmy day when it's really too early to tackle other spring chores. Dormant-season pruning also permits you to see plant form and structure clearly, a benefit when you're shaping trees and shrubs.

Any pruning creates a wound that a plant must seal. By pruning before growth begins, you pave the way for fast sealing during spring's rapid growth spurt. Pruning during cool days also reduces the stress a plant experiences. Start your pruning chores by tackling evergreens with needles,

like pine, juniper or yew. Also, prune broadleaf evergreens grown for foliage, including boxwood, privet, hollies and euonymus. For these plants, focus on fixing plant shape, removing wayward branches or thinning unwanted branches. Avoid cutting into old wood; it may not re-sprout.

Prune shrubs that don't flower in spring, including rose of Sharon, crape myrtle, hardy hibiscus, butterfly bush and Peegee hydrangea.

For summer bloomers that need to be cut almost to the ground, tackle pruning in two stages. Reduce height first, but don't cut stems to final size until frost is out of the forecast. Don't prune spring-blooming shrubs (lilac, forsythia, weigela, mock orange) until after flowers fade.

With red- and yellow-twig dogwoods, you'll keep plants at their most colorful if you remove a few stems each year, cutting to ground level. Maintain these shrubs so they never have stems more than three years old.

Tackle pruning shrub roses while plants are still dormant or as new growth emerges in the coldest zones. Place cuts to shape plants and remove winter-damaged stems. For climbing roses, only remove winter-damaged growth in late winter or early spring.

Shape vines that flower in summer while they're still dormant. This group includes trumpet vine, passionflower, honeysuckle and bittersweet, along with clematis that bloom on new growth.

Prune deciduous trees just before they leaf out. With early spring bloomers like redbud and dogwood, postpone pruning until after flowers fade. Birch, walnut and maple bleed sap after pruning. This usually doesn't harm the tree, but pruning in fall or early winter, before sap starts flowing, can reduce bleeding.

Some trees, like oaks, have strict pruning windows (winter) to avoid giving pests and diseases access to fresh cuts.

Check with our local extension office for more info as well as searching on line... https://greene.ext.vt.edu/staff.html

This is a Florida doc but much of the info is relevant to us goes over landscaping and other topics... www.livinggreen.ifas.ufl.edu/landscaping/index.html

SERVICES

Mike Tapley - Offering small motor repair and stump grinding. 694 Greene Acres Road North. Phone: 434-989-2237. Email: Mikaletapley@aol.com

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RENTALS:

Per the GAPOA Covenants, a property owner must own a property for at least 2 years before they may rent their property. Also, any property placed into a rental program after 2016, must rent to the same tenant for not less than 30 consecutive days (no transient rentals).

VEHICLES:

To those in the community who have unregistered/unlicensed vehicles in your yard, on the road, or in your driveway, please be aware that this is against GAPOA Covenants and Rules and Regulations.

A junk / unregistered vehicle on your property is also against County ordinance 16-18-1.