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## **SNOW REMOVAL**

Please take the time to carefully read this section as it contains important information regarding the HOA's snow removal policy.

Snow removal will be done by Hoagy's for this upcoming winter season 2017-2018. Hoagy's is contracted to remove snow from sidewalks, driveways and walkways to the front door when the snowfall total is greater than 3 inches. Any ice accumulation/formation is not treated routinely by Hoagy's due to the damage to concrete by many ice melt products.

Hoagy's will start work after the West Hanover Township has plowed the streets to avoid obstructing the township's work and to ensure that the driveways are not plowed shut by the WHT plows

If parked vehicles block snow removal from driveways, then individual homeowners owning those vehicles shall be responsible for clearing snow around those vehicles. Hoagy's will remove the snow outside a 3 foot distance from all sides of the car(s) and will clear the driveway apron and sidewalk as best they can. Because Hoagy's uses a variety of snow removal equipment (shovels, snow blowers, snow tractors) a closer proximity of snow throwing could damage your vehicle and it increases the hourly cost of snow removal to all homeowners.

Vehicles parked in the street may be plowed in by the township, owners of these vehicles will be responsible for digging their vehicles out. Individual homeowners are responsible for clearing snow accumulation of less than 3 inches. Township ordinances require that snow be removed from sidewalks within 24 hours of the snowfall. Snow is not to be thrown onto the street per WH ordinance.

Please contract with Hoagy's or another vendor if you need a more complete and individual snow removal. Hoagy's is not contracted to remove snow from porches, patios or steps.

Remember if you are away when it snows and we receive less than 3 inches, or we get an ice storm, it is still your responsibility to clear your driveway and sidewalk. Please make arrangements for snow or ice removal from your property when a storm is predicted while you are away.

Please check the HOA website for information as to whether Hoagy's will be notified to clear snow when we have a snow storm.

## LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE

Hoagy's applied fall lawn weed control on Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> and shrub and tree fertilizer was applied on Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup>. The Tiverton bank clean up will be done in the first half of October. Due to the lack of rain the past several weeks, the lawns are very dry so mowing will be done on an as needed basis.

Landscaping issues should be directed to Anne Warden for coordination with Hoagy's. If you require individual landscaping services, it is important that you contact Dave Hogentogler directly at

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(717) 773-5463. Requests made to workers while in the neighborhood are not appropriate and may not be communicated to Dave, consequently delaying your desired services.

## **ANNUAL HOA PICNIC**

The annual HOA Picnic was held on Sunday, September 10th with nearly 40 homeowners in attendance. The food was delicious and it's always wonderful to meet neighbors you don't see every day. Special thanks to our HOA president, Mick Moritz, for manning the grill and to those homeowners who helped with the setup and cleanup. We couldn't have done it without your help.

#### **HOA COMMUNITY FALL YARD SALE**

Our Community Fall Yard Sale was held Saturday, September 23rd from 8 AM to noon. Attendance was lighter than our Spring Yard Sale, due to a huge flea market/yard sale being held the same weekend at a Linglestown Church, so we may need to adjust the date next year.

## **SMOKE DETECTORS**

It may still be warm outside, but it won't be too long before we "fall back" with the end of Daylight Saving Time. Daylight Saving Time ends Sunday, November 5th. When you move your clocks back an hour it is also a good time to replace the batteries in your smoke detectors. Check your battery supply now so that you are prepared and have the batteries you'll need.

## WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEIGHBOR

Kelly Gerard
218 Brookridge Court
kbgmaria@gmail.com
Home 717-216-8916
Cell 717-756-2928

## **RESIDENT'S DIRECTORY**

If you require updates to your information in the resident's directory, please send an email to <a href="mickmoritz@comcast.net">mickmoritz@comcast.net</a> with your change requests.

#### **BLANKET EMAILS**

Blanket emails to all homeowners are being used to provide information that is pertinent or needs immediate attention. Please ensure that your email address is correct in the Residents Directory in order for you to be included.

## PLEASE CURB YOUR DOG

As a courtesy to your neighbors, please don't allow your dog to roam near a residence and remember that you are responsible for picking up your pet's deposits at any point in the community.

## **SPEED ON DEVELOPMENT STREETS**

Now that fall is here, daylight hours are getting shorter. Please be careful while driving in our neighborhood. In Pennsylvania the maximum speed limit is 25 mile per hour in a residential area. For the safety of all concerned, please drive observe this speed limit.

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## **CONTACTING THE HOA**

The HOA website at <a href="www.townes-at-hershey.com">www.townes-at-hershey.com</a> is a wealth of information. Announcements about landscaping services, snowplowing and other development-wide activities are posted there. You can also find the site plans, covenants, by-laws, approved exterior paint colors, and forms of all types.

As always, an Architectural Change Request (ACR) must be submitted to the HOA board prior to any proposed construction, planting, paint and/or stain, modifications to the flower and shrub beds at your home. The HOA website provides details on the approved deck paint and stain colors. Please be sure to indicate your proposed paint or stain colors on your architectural change request form. The form is available on the HOA website or from any member of the Executive Board. You can give the form or email the form to any member of the board, or mail it to the association. Emailing to any board member is the most expeditious way to submit your

<u>request.</u> Upon HOA approval of your ACR, if a permit is needed for your project, provide the HOA with a photo copy of your building and/or zoning permit prior to the start of construction.

## **TOWNSHIP SUPERVISORS MEETINGS**

A member of the Board is scheduled to attend each meeting of the West Hanover Township Supervisors. The meetings are held on the first and third Monday of each month at 7 PM at the township building. If you attend any of the supervisors meetings, please remember that you represent yourself and not our development at large.

## PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The saga of the Classic Communities bankruptcy continues. The West Hanover Township solicitor is in contact with the bond company and we are very cautiously hopeful that we will have a favorable outcome.

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