

THE TOWNES CRIER

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COMMUNITY YARD SALE

The annual yard sale will on Saturday September 10, 2016 from 7AM to Noon. This will involve a high traffic level throughout our community. If you are not participating in the yard sale, please keep your garage door closed.

NEIGHBORHOOD TREES

Some trees in the community have begun to turn yellow, drop leaves, or exhibit brown to black spots. These symptoms are caused by a fungus. Trees exhibiting brown, distorted leaves are affected by **Anthracnose**. This is caused by a wet Spring followed by dry/hot temperatures in the Summer. Anthracnose is rarely fatal to the tree and is corrected by the dropping of leaves and cool temperatures in the fall and winter. The tree will drop and regrow new leaves. Do not spray anything on the leaves of the tree. Lightly watering the tree at the base of the trunk during dry weather can help the tree through recovery. Another fungus present on some of the trees is known as **Tar Spot**. These trees may show brown to black spots on their leaves. Tar Spot is not harmful and only creates an aesthetic problem. Both conditions can be helped along with light watering, fertilizing with a 10-10-10 fertilizer, and or the products shown below. These products can be found at Home Depot or Stauffers (SKH). They can be mixed with water and poured at the base of the trunk to feed the tree and provide anti-fungal and insect protection.



TREES OVERHANGING SIDEWALKS

Some trees along sidewalks have grown to the point that they overhang the sidewalk and require walkers to duck around the growth. If a tree on your property has branches that overhang the sidewalk, please trim the growth to a reasonable height. If you can't do the trimming, please contact Tom Butler and he'll arrange for the tree to be trimmed.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW NEIGHBORS

Glenn & Lynn Moore
238 Tiverton Lane

Harold & Debbie Spencer
209 Tiverton Lane

Phillip & Susan Zimmerman
222 Brookridge Court

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WALKING PATH

The surface in some areas of our walking path is very uneven due to the growth of tree roots in that area. Please use caution on the walking path. We'll install caution signs shortly.

GARAGE DOORS

We don't live in an urban setting. Raccoons, squirrels, chipmunks and feral cats are common in our community. A resident on Tiverton Lane had a black bear at the rear of his property. To avoid an unwanted guest, don't leave your garage door open for lengthy periods of time.

NEWS ABOUT CLASSIC COMMUNITIES

The township has engaged legal counsel to determine how much the township will realize from the Classic Communities bankruptcy and from a bond issued by a firm in California. It appears that the township will have to complete the retention pond; however, several issues remain unresolved. The saga continues.

LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE

Please note that Anne Warden and Tom Butler co-Chair the Landscaping Committee. Any landscaping issues should be directed to Anne or Tom for coordination with Hoagy's Landscaping service.

RESIDENT'S DIRECTORY

The resident's directory was reissued in July. Please check the accuracy of your listing and send any needed changes to mickmoritz@comcast.net.

EXTERIOR CHANGES TO YOUR PROPERTY

For uniformity in the appearance of our community, please complete an Architectural Change Request Form prior to any proposed exterior construction, planting, paint and/or stain, or modifications to the flower and shrub beds at your home. 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. **Email to any member of the board will be the most expeditious way to handle the request.**

Please note that a West Hanover Township building permit is required prior to the construction of structures such as decks, patios and deck changes. Consult with Brian Von Neida, the zoning and planning administrator (717-540-6075).

CONTACTING THE HOA

The HOA website at www.townes-at-hershey.com is a wealth of information. Announcements about 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.

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DIRECT DEBIT OF YOUR DUES

For your convenience, the HOA Treasurer can arrange a direct debit of your HOA dues from your bank account. Please contact Mark Chiles for more information.

SPEED ON DEVELOPMENT STREETS

As a courtesy to other residents and for the safety of all concerned, please drive at a reasonable speed.

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 7PM at the township building.

If you attend any of the supervisors meetings, please remember that you represent yourself and not our development at large.

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