



ReView

Golf Course View Cluster Association

October 2010

Recycling Reminders

Fairfax County requires all trash collection contractors to provide comprehensive recycling services to their clients and specifies exactly what items may be recycled. Only certain materials can economically be recycled, and it is counterproductive to put items in your recycling bins that have to be sorted out and moved from the recycling center to the landfill. **You can co-mingle recyclable materials in your bin.**

What CAN Be Recycled

Paper, including white paper, newspapers, phone books, magazines, junk mail, cereal boxes (minus their plastic linings), **flattened** cardboard boxes and cartons, paper bags, paper egg cartons, etc.

Glass bottles and jars only, rinsed of food materials (labels and caps are OK)

Metal cans, rinsed of food materials (labels are OK).

Plastic bottles and jars only, rinsed of food materials (labels and caps are OK).

What CANNOT Be Recycled

Paper that has been waxed or contains food materials: NO milk cartons, frozen food or pizza boxes, etc.

Plastic materials other than bottles and jars: NO margarine tubs, yogurt or frozen food containers, fresh fruit baskets or bags, plastic wrap, packing "peanuts," bubble wrap, oil cans, etc.

Plastic bags of any sort.

Metal objects other than cans: NO aluminum foil or aluminum baking pans, clothes hangers, curtain rods, lamp fittings, etc.

Glass objects other than bottles and jars: NO light bulbs, mirrors, broken glass panes, etc.

Landscape Debris

Fairfax County requires recycling of landscape debris like leaves, sticks, grass cuttings etc. However, because our landscape contractor handles the vast majority of our landscape debris, the cluster obtained a waiver from Fairfax County that allows us to include our landscape debris in our regular trash collection pickups.

Any landscape debris you have will be picked up any regular trash collection day, but must be contained in a trash can, bagged up, or cut into no more than 4 foot lengths and tied in bundles.

The next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 9 at 7:30 pm at 2080.

Interested residents are invited to attend.

Board Approves Drainage Work

At its meeting this month, the board approved the contract proposed by Shenandoah Landscaping to resolve significant drainage problems along the border between our property and the swimming pool

One phase of the work will address runoff problems from the golf course driving range, and the second phase will be to construct a dry creek bed down the slope from our property to the parking circle to manage run off and repair erosion damage. The cost of this work will be about \$4,000 and it will be done in conjunction with the enlargement and enhancement of the Entrance Garden.

Landscape Update

Landscape Planning for 2011

The focus of our landscaping next year will be: (1) the Entrance Garden around the parking circle and the cluster sign, which will be extended toward the Reston property marker and updated with additional plantings, and (2) the entrance to Courtyard D, which will get additional plants.

The overall budget for this work is under \$5,000. The landscape committee is working with the landscape contractor, Shenandoah Landscaping, to develop the final plans and schedule the work.

Leaf Removal Schedule

Our lovely trees are beginning to show a lot of color now. As beautiful as they are for a few weeks, the leaf show is quickly followed by the annual inundation of dead leaves. And we're already experiencing another record fall of acorns from our white oak trees.

Our contract with BladeRunners specifies two leaf removals. In October, the crews will "mulch" fallen leaves with their mowers wherever possible and pile "unmulchable" leaves in other areas for removal in November. The first leaf removal will be done in mid to late November and will focus on the turf areas, but not the mulched beds. The second removal will be in mid to late December and will include both the turf areas and the mulched beds. We expect that the parking lots will be cleared with each BladeRunners leaf removal visit.

We are all responsible for cleaning up the leaves on our own property.

4th Quarter Assessment Installments Due October 15

If you pay your annual assessment in quarterly installments your 4th quarter payment is due this week. Please make your check payable to GCVCA and mail it to Golf Course View, PO Box 434, Oakton VA 22124-0434.

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