

# IDLEWYLDE\*NEWS

NEWSLETTER OF THE IDLEWYLDE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION  
"Community Commitment since 1947" February 2015

## A neighbor's request

Dear Fellow Idlewyldeans,

As a retired person, I now find the time to walk in the neighborhood for exercise. I have had difficulty *navigating the neighborhood after snow* due to unshoveled and therefore unsafe sidewalks.

I would appreciate it if everyone in our community would shovel his/her/their sidewalk. You will be helping:

- Students walking to bus stops and standing on the sidewalk to wait for pickup
- Folks walking their pets
- Moms with young children and/or strollers. (It's been a long time, but I seem to remember a need for a change of scene and fresh air when I was in that phase of life.)
- Elderly neighbors. (I'm almost there.)

If you have an elderly neighbor, nearby house that is empty, or an empty lot next to you, please shovel those walks too. It's just the right thing to do.

Thank you for your kind consideration of this matter.

*Stephanie Foy  
1201 Overbrook Road*

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**Another neighbor asks** us to remind everyone to *please cover recycling containers so we can reduce litter in the neighborhood.*

Whenever there's anything like a high wind on recycling days, light unsecured items take flight all across Idlewylde.

The material you put out the afternoon or evening before pickup may sit for 18 hours or more before the truck comes by. (My pickup is generally sometime after noon.) Even if the air is calm when you put it out, it may not stay that way.

Recycling saves us all money and helps to save the planet.

Let's make sure our recyclables make it to the recycling facility rather than ending up in the Run, the Bay, or someone else's yard.

*– Paul Romney*

*Talking of which . . . here's a bulletin from the County Bureau of Solid Waste Management.*

## Choose Sturdy Bins for Winter Weather

While residents are able to seek shelter indoors to escape this season's frigid temperatures, recycling bins around the County must brave the frosty conditions outside. However, not all bins are created equal, and several factors affect the ability of a container to stand up against the elements.

When temperatures reach the freezing point, many plastics become brittle and weak. Cracks can develop in the plastic, due to the material's inability to stretch. Some plastics are able to withstand lower temperatures – for example, while *polypropylene* usually cracks around 32 degrees Fahrenheit, *HDPE* (high-density polyethylene) can remain durable in temperatures as low as -5 degrees Fahrenheit.

There are several ways you can help to prevent damage to your recycling container during the cold weather this winter:

- Don't overfill containers; heavy or tightly-packed contents put extra stress on the plastic.
- Try to minimize the time your containers spend outdoors.
- Choose a container that is made of a strong, durable plastic that is meant for outdoor use.

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*For more info on recycling, including a useful guide to what is and is not recyclable, go to <[www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/publicworks/recycling/collectioninformation.html](http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Agencies/publicworks/recycling/collectioninformation.html)>.*

## IDLEWYLDE C.O.P.

A new Director, **Katie McCabe**, is taking over from Co-Directors Jim DeBesse and MaryBeth Collins.

Katie has been very active with COP patrols and has a deep concern for our neighborhood.

Welcome Katie, and many thanks for assuming the C.O.P. Directorship!

*– Jim DeBesse*

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### ARTS

**Baby music class.** I am interested in leading a class with a parent or guardian in my home once a week or twice a month for our wee ones. We will sing and bounce and play some instruments with bubbles and scarves. I am a professional Pre-school music teacher. If you are interested, please inquire at [spicearoni@gmail.com](mailto:spicearoni@gmail.com) or 410-828-4070. I also teach guitar lessons for elementary on up students. *Deborah "Spice" Kleinmann.*

### HOME AND GARDEN

**Babysitter.** *Lily O'Mara*, age 13, Red Cross Certified in Babysitter Training. Available nights and weekends. Cell phone: 443-791-8230.

**Snow Removal.** Let me help you get out and about this winter! Up to ½ hour - \$7, up to one hour - \$20. *Chris Shelley*, 1020 Saint Albans Road, (410) 948-5367, [IdlewyldeSnowRemoval@gmail.com](mailto:IdlewyldeSnowRemoval@gmail.com), [www.IdlewyldeSnowRemoval.com](http://www.IdlewyldeSnowRemoval.com).

### Idlewylde Community Association

#### SPRING GENERAL MEETING

Sunday, March 29 at 5 PM



*Business meeting at 5:00*

*Potluck dinner at 6:00*



Idlewylde Hall, 6301 Sherwood Rd



Get together with your neighbors.  
Get an update on community affairs.



The ICA will provide a main dish, but you are invited to bring an appetizer, side, soft drink or dessert to share.



*This meeting is for members of the ICA. You can attend the business meeting, the dinner, or both. If you haven't signed up yet for 2014-15, you can join or renew at the door.*

### New development on Sherwood: Update

Stoneleigh Summit is a new development that is being constructed at the top of Sherwood Road north of Register Avenue. As many of you know, this is a 36-unit, adults 55-and-older, luxury home community. According to newsletters sent out by the builder, the homes will range from 2,187 to 3,953 square feet in size.

Over the summer, the land was cleared and construction of the infrastructure began. They have been building retaining walls and sediment control ponds and installing utility pipes, and are scheduled to complete the roads in the spring of 2015. Once the roads are complete, they can begin construction of the homes.

Of course, the timing of that will depend a great deal on the weather this winter! The current estimate of when the builder will begin to open sales for this new development is Spring 2015. It will be some time though before the homes are all constructed so expect to see work in that area for quite a while.

Sherwood Road currently terminates at the entrance to the gated community, Stone Oak, but will eventually end with a traffic circle, installed by the builder, that connects to the entrance of Stoneleigh Summit as well as Stone Oak.

A video has been taken of Sherwood Road so any damage from the truck traffic will be corrected by the builder as well once construction is complete.

Reports from the neighbors are pretty positive so far. Whenever issues have come up (such as trucks rumbling down the street earlier than the agreed hours), the construction company has been responsive to our complaints.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact a Board member.

– *Jamie Kass*

### Watch this space

**Dumpster Day.** We're shooting for a Saturday in May. Details in April newsletter.

**Community Yard Sale.** If we have one, it will probably be the weekend before Dumpster Day. Anyone who wants to help set it up, please contact a board member. It's not a big deal: mainly a matter of posting signs around the neighborhood and an announcement on Craigslist.

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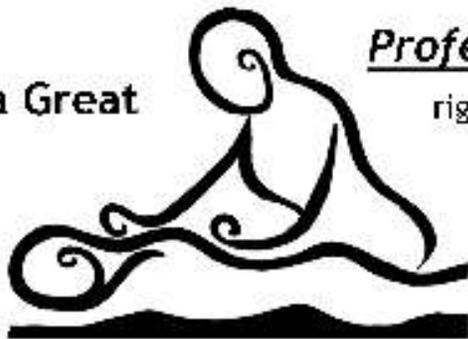
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(licensed massage therapist) has opened a treatment location in the neighborhood.

**443 890 4483**

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**Chair or Table Massage Available**

**We do Events & On-Site Massage**

*Package pricing available until March 23 - Certificates can be redeemed until February 1, 2016*

***IDLEWYLDE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, 2014-15***

*Dues \$20 per household, optional for households where most members are 65 or older*

Please make checks payable to ICA.

**Send to ICA Membership, P.O. Box 66106, Baltimore, MD 21239**

- Renewing member
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- I have not yet joined the Idlewylde Community Yahoo Group. Please add me.

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