



Yardley Village News



November 2022

Message from the President

Fall is definitely here. Temperatures are going down and lantern flies are disappearing. It is also getting dark earlier each day, so be aware of walkers (who should wear lighter/reflective clothes), drive slower and leave your outside garage lights on that help light the Village. If you have had lantern flies on your trees, awnings or walls, look to see if they have left the tan-colored waxy egg pods. Scrape them off so the eggs can't hatch in the spring and enhance their return in the spring. As we approach the election, remember that political signs are not allowed in lawns etc. Express your preference by voting in this important election!

Assessment

Unfortunately, our quarterly assessment will see a significant increase from last year. As all our personal costs have increased, so have the costs of services we receive to keep the Mill as a top destination for over-fifty fivers but to keep our village one of the best villages in the Mill. Our quarterly assessments remain in the lowest third in the Mill but we also have one of the strongest reserve accounts to help pay for large improvements. When we decide it is time to redo our roofs and our roads, we hope to have sufficient funds in our reserves to pay for most of the costs of these

requirements depending on cost increases felt throughout the industry.

As of now, the quarterly assessment increase just for our payment for fixed costs, to the Master Association is \$87.00. This is for increased for our property insurance, increased cost for security and other manual labor and our share of the other MA costs. A similar amount of our increase is for our village maintenance, with increased costs for dealing with our aging trees as well as special projects that have occurred during the year.

All of this considered, our quarterly assessment will rise from \$1,659 to approximately \$1,830. Although this seems excessive, all villages are experiencing similar increases this year.

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Master Association Activities

The major thrust has been in dealing with storm water management. We are making upgrades in neighborhoods where homes were flooded first. The flooding in the area of the 1696-1698 cluster is in the final design stage and will hopefully be addressed this fall. We are only allowed to disturb a certain amount of area at one time by the township. Scheduling is also affected by contractor availability. After the areas of flooded homes is addressed, there are a number of areas where flooding has caused inconveniences that we plan to address. Please remember that the Mill satisfies current codes but we are going above and beyond to protect the homes in the Mill the best we can.

Fortunately, the funds we are spending on storm water management will not create a need for assessments, but it is using funds previously slated for the Community Center expansion, which will be revisited next year. We are looking at doing some upgrades in the Community Center to help enhance the experience in the meantime.

The planned sports facility upgrades with the new bocce courts, shuffleboard, and horseshoes is expected to be started shortly after some adjustments required by the township are incorporated in the design.

Alterations to Homes

Please remember that you are required to submit, to either the Architectural or Landscape committees, any changes you wish to make on the outside of your home. Courtyards have more flexibility. Planting of flowers, bulbs and small shrubs are not an issue, but large shrubs and trees should be reviewed with the Landscaping Committee.

Christmas Lights

Remember that only white lights are allowed on the exterior of your home.

Dumping in Storm Water inlets

Please inform you contractors working on your homes, that no materials or solutions are allowed to be disposed of in the storm water inlets throughout the Village since the debris goes directly into local streams. This is not only not allowed in our village but throughout the Mill and township. Contractors seen "dumping into storm drains" can be fined plus charged for cleanup by the township but also precluded from working in the Mill.

Have a great Thanksgiving!

*George Earle
Yardley Village President*

Architecture Committee

No report this month.

Tony Bruno, Chairm

Landscape Committee

Many thanks to our neighbors the Eberts at 1730, Joanne Hino at 1722 the Engels at 1616, the Mattesons at 1652, the Lovins at 1684 and the Strouds at 1615 for their contribution to our village providing their time, effort, and water to keep our village looking great by caring for the plants at our direction signs and entrances.

Hopefully, by the time you read this month's newsletter HML has already started the fall leaf clean up in Yardley. HML is planning to have the first cleanup in all the villages completed by Thanksgiving and the second cleanup completed by Christmas. We are

fortunate that we are one of the first villages on their schedule this year.

Pruning has fallen behind schedule due to the rain we have had this fall, as of last week HML was working in Kennett and working through the villages in alphabetical order.

If you have any questions, issues or projects in mind please contact me at pierrenolin@verizon.net.

*Pierre Nolin
Landscape Chairman*

Maintenance Committee

No report this month.

*Jim DiCarlo,
Maintenance Committee Co-Chair*

Social Committee

"Save the date for our annual Yardley Village Holiday Brunch on December 18th at Hershey's Mill Golf Club". Lynn Fleming will be sending out an information/reservation flyer later this month.

Once again Yardley Village will be collecting new women's and children's hats, gloves, and socks for local charities and shelters. Beginning December 3rd, a drop box for donations will be available at Arlene Romano's front porch at 1645 Yardley Drive. All donations must be completed by December 8th so they may be distributed before the Christmas Holiday.

*Respectfully submitted
Social Committee*

Decorating Committee

No report this month.

Yardley Activity Corner

Yardley Village ROMEO Club

As you may know each month, typically on the first Monday, the ROMEO* men of Yardley meet at 9:00 am at Nudy's Cafe 309 Lancaster Ave (route 30) in Malvern for breakfast and conversation. We invite any and all male residents of Yardley Village to come and meet your neighbors. We look forward to seeing you there.

Please gather in the rear enclosed area. We welcome all Yardley men who have had both COVID vaccines and would like to enjoy the company of their neighbors. Future dates are listed below: **10/3, 11/7, 12/5.**

2023: 1/2, 2/6, 3/6, 4/3, 5/1, 6/5, 7/3, 8/7, 8/28 (Sept), 10/2, 11/6, 12/4.

*Retired Old Men Eating Out

Jim DiCarlo

Yardley/Zephyr Ladies Luncheon

No report this month.

*Jim DiCarlo,
Maintenance Committee Co-Chair*

Dine Around News

The Yardley Dine Around group gathered at TUK TUK THAI KITCHEN in Malvern on Tuesday, October 25th. There was full house with two seating's.

Jack and Noot, the owners welcomed us very graciously and assisted many with help describing and ordering off their substantial menu. Coconut vegetable soup, dumplings and various lettuce wraps were popular. Entrees varied with extensive Thai dishes and the standouts

were the crispy duck and whole cooked fish that came with optional ingredients and varied spice levels. At our table the extreme spicy duck was delivered to my neighbor who ordered the mild version and was quickly switched. We will be back again.

Our next and last event until the end of February will be at Bunha Faun on Monday, November 28th with 5:30PM and 6:30PM seatings. The invitations were sent out and we still have a few spaces left.

Please let us know if you would like to join us.

Happy Thanksgiving!

Danny & Brigitte Feinberg
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Neighbor News

A.J. Blosenski Trash Collector

Will not be collecting trash Thursday, November 24, 2022.

Trash will be collected on Monday, November 21 & Friday, November 25th. Recycling will be collected Wednesday, November 23rd.

Letters to the Editor

Please submit questions or comments to Yardleynewsletter@gmail.com

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