

Old Sterling Gable Conservancy

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Spring Inspection 2008- Dates and Information

INSPECTION DATES WILL BE STANDARDIZED AS OF 2008

INSPECTIONS - 1ST WEEKEND IN MAY

SPRING 2008 - MAY 2 & 3RD

FOLLOW UP INSPECTION - 3RD WEEKEND IN AUGUST

SPRING 2008- AUGUST 16 & 17TH

DUE PROCESS HEARINGS - LAST TUES IN SEPTEMBER

SPRING 2008- SEPTEMBER 21ST

TAKE TIME TO READ THE TOP TEN WAYS TO HAVE A PAINLESS INSPECTION IN THIS NEWSLETTER! THE OSG ARC GUIDELINES ARE ALSO ON OUR WEBSITE, PLEASE READ THE GUIDELINES FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

**CONTACT THE ARC COMMITTEE WITH ANY QUESTIONS - arlb1@yahoo.com
or Julie at TWC at 703-437-5800**



BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS

All Board Meetings are scheduled to be held from 7PM-10PM
at the Unitarian Universalist Church across the street on Davis Dr.

- Tues, May 13 2008 - 2nd Quarter - Meeting of the Board of Directors
- Tues, Aug 19 2008 - 3rd Quarter - Meeting of the Board of Directors
- Tues, Sept 30 2008 - Annual Membership Meeting
- Tues, Nov 18 2008 - 4th Quarter - Meeting of the Board of Directors



All Homeowners & Residents are encouraged to attend!

All homeowners are welcome and encouraged to attend ARC committee meetings. Please find the ARC request form online. All ARC committee related decisions are reviewed in open session board meetings.

LARGE TRASH ITEMS

WILL NOT BE PICKED UP BY AMERICAN!

Residents are costing our community hundreds of dollars by leaving appliances, tires, and other large & hazardous waste out that WILL NOT be picked up.

It costs us A MINIMUM of \$60 per pickup each time a resident leaves trash out that our Community HOA must then take care of the disposal cost.

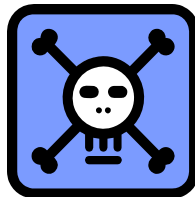
Contact American to set up special pickup:
(703) 368-0500

** Please note - If you notice a neighbor putting out an appliance or other item that stays out past trash day, please contact Julie at TWC.*

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

- We ALSO have some residents throwing out hazardous waste.
- This is a HUGE safety hazard, please be mindful of our children, pets, & neighbors!

No trash service can pickup tires, oil, paint, or car batteries!



- For a full list and more information, please contact Loudoun County Waste Mgmt at
- 703-777-0187 or visit their website at www.loudoun.gov/oswm/hhw.htm

Trash

Do not put trash into common areas.

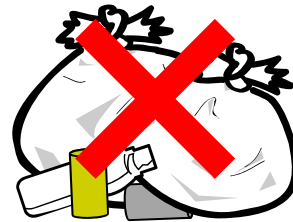
Do not put trash out before trash day.

Do not use white garbage bags;

or

little bags;

it makes a huge mess and is disgusting for neighbors to have to look at.



We are requesting that everyone put trash out in front of your own home,

Trash Days are Tues & Friday

Trash is ONLY put out after 6:00pm

Recycling is ONLY on Tues

Please ONLY use:

Trashcans

(Must be picked up same day!)

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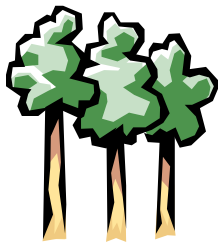
Feral Cats...



Cat Owners & All Residents-

Please do not feed cats outdoors. We have a significant number of feral cats that are living in our neighborhood. Trash bags are being ripped open, and dogs and residents have been attacked. Please allow these feral cats to move on by not feeding them in our neighborhood.

Please help us continue to work on this concerning problem!



DOG OWNERS..

- **Dog License Law**—is in effect and fines are being assessed to Loudoun Residents without dog licenses as of January 1st! Make sure your dog has a valid Loudoun County License every year! For an application & instructions go to:

www.loudoun.gov/animals/dogform.html

- Dogs must be on leash at all times.
- Pet's waste must be cleaned up **every time**.
- *Dogs cannot be left outside unattended.*



YES, This does include on decks, and in yards for long periods of time.

For more information contact: Theresa Ryan at:
Theresa.ryan@oldsterlinggable.org

Thank you for being considerate of neighbors!

BASIC GRASS & GARDENING TIPS

- Now is a great time to add some additional soil to your yard. Virginia Clay always needs help! Next time you are near Lowes, or even Wall Mart pickup a bag or a few bags of Scotts Lawn Soil or whichever brand you prefer & water.
- Don't throw away used sand! Sand is great and a cheap way to break up our Virginia Clay. Again, you can sprinkle the sand over lawn and gardens, & water.
- **NEVER FORGET TO WATER!** 15 minutes each morning is easiest if you put in a timer and sprinkler and have it go off at 5 am so less work for you!
- New Sod, New Plants, & Established Lawns & Plants not only need lots of water but also lots of nutrients to thrive. Take time to remove weeds & add additional fertilizer to plants & grass.
- April/May is a great time to get plants established before summer heat, take stock now as to what plants are

dead, it's a MUCH easier time to plant than in the summer!!!! Helpful plant suggestions are listed in the new ARC Guidelines!

- **Mulch - Check mulch for Termites!** They look like beige winged ants. If you are not sure if you have some, please ask or have an inspection company come out and do a termite inspection. It does affect your resale value of your home if you have to declare that you had termite in the house! So check mulch before termites can get into the wood of your home!
<http://www.pestproducts.com/termites.htm>



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TOP 10 WAYS TO HAVE A PAINLESS INSPECTION THIS YEAR!

If you do some or even all of these things BEFORE the ARC committee comes around to do Spring Inspections, you will find that this year can be a breeze!

1. Check & Replace all dead trees, shrubs, & bushes.
2. Powerwash/wash siding for a fresh look
3. Clean lamp head. It really does show!
4. Spot check post & railings for needed black paint
5. Remove rust & clean concrete stains. We will never get them completely out, but yearly cleaning does make a difference in buildup!
6. Trim dead branches off trees & trim any branches over sidewalks and neighbors walkway.
7. Remove any stored items off deck or under deck. (like old tires, old appliances/etc). If they are working, donate. If not contact 703-777-0187 to get directions to the nearest landfill. *DO NOT PUT OUT FOR AMERICAN!*
8. Remove any trash or other items that may have accumulated over the winter.
9. Spot check for rotting wood. Don't wait on this, get it repaired & painted properly because it only gets worse!
10. Spot check paint. Look for peeling or chipped paint. First try the power washing!



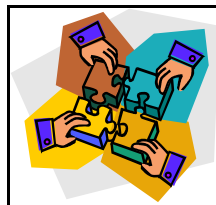
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