

# GRIMESDALE GAZETTE

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**BOARD MEETING & TREASURER'S REPORT.** The July 2011 GHA Board Meeting was held at the home of Joyce and Chuck Mason. Our financial balance as of June 30 is \$3,843.16. (See Treasurer's Report on other side.) As of this writing, our membership for 2011 includes 66 homeowners.

**WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD!** Please extend a warm welcome to our new neighbors, Cindy Lemon and Rich Stevenson of 3153 Cheryl Drive.

**SUNSHINE REPORT.** On behalf of the Grimesdale community, Ruth Musolff, our Sunshine Director, sent a sympathy card to the family of Josephine (Jo) Giles of Charlyne Drive, who passed away in early June. For many years Jo and her husband, Rev. Dwight Giles, participated in association activities and neighborhood projects, including Dwight's four-year term as GHA President. Please keep Dwight and his family in your prayers and offer them a kind word when you see them.

**ICE CREAM SOCIAL.** Take a break and beat the heat. Join us on **Sunday, July 17, from 2 to 3 p.m.** for free ice cream in the Grimesdale Community Park. For those of you who are watching your blood sugar, cholesterol, or waistlines, we will offer no-sugar-added and fat-free varieties as well as regular ice cream. Indulge yourself! Bring your family and neighbors to the park to enjoy this summer pastime.

**SURVEY SUMMARY.** GHA President Chuck Mason and his wife, Joyce, have compiled the initial results of the survey that was printed in the January 2011 issue of the *Gazette*. Based on the responses, it appears that members of the older generation are more interested in improving their neighborhood than are younger folks. As of this writing, 21 homeowners have completed the survey, one-third of whom are older than 70. Those who have lived longest in the neighborhood were also those most likely to answer the survey. Half of the respondents have lived in Grimesdale for more than 9 years; one-third have lived here for more than 15 years. Residents listed these positive aspects of Grimesdale: quiet, peaceful, safe, secure, friendly neighbors, well-maintained properties, mature landscaping, convenient location, and no city taxes. They lauded these GHA accomplishments: *Gazette*, website, entrance beautification, park maintenance, road repairs, and addressing residents' concerns. They lamented these neighborhood problems: speeding vehicles, barking dogs, loose-running dogs, failure of dog owners to pick up their pets' poop, decline in upkeep of some properties, sign ordinance violations, and need for road repaving. More than one-third of respondents want to hold an annual neighborhood garage sale, a few would participate in a book club, and one homeowner suggested starting a play group in the park. Unfortunately few respondents expressed an interest in attending neighborhood social functions, planning activities, or serving as a GHA officer. We wish this were not so because maintaining the positive aspects of Grimesdale and solving its problems will require the help of many residents, not just a select few. If you have not completed the survey and still wish to be heard, please send your responses to Bill Fitch at 3095 Magnolia Drive.

**AUTUMN PICNIC.** Mark your calendars! The annual picnic in the Grimesdale Community Park will be held on **Sunday, October 16, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.** Enjoy the tasty hot dogs that will be grilled on our new barbecue. Share your favorite recipe with your neighbors and savor their favorite dishes. As in previous years, hot dogs, drinks, and eating utensils will be provided. Residents are asked to bring a side dish, salad, or dessert to share. What a wonderful way to welcome the advent of autumn, by sharing food, swapping stories, and enjoying the paint-box hues of the park.

**FALL FELLOWSHIP.** Join us for the next GHA Board Meeting, which will be held at **7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 4**, at the home of Evelyn VandenDolder and Bill Erickson, 3116 Magnolia Drive. All board members (including street directors) please plan to attend. Other Grimesdale residents are also welcome.

**GRIMESDALE HOMES ASSOCIATION, INC.**  
Treasurer's Report for Quarter Ending June 30, 2011

Bank Balance as of March 31, 2011 931.37

INCOME

Dues Collected (April through June) 400.00  
Interest Income from CD 16.57  
TOTAL INCOME \$416.57

EXPENSES

Park Maintenance 300.00  
January *Gazette* (Printing, Envelopes, Labels) 54.41  
April *Gazette* (Printing) 34.46  
N.C. Dept. of Revenue (state taxes) 4.00  
TOTAL EXPENSES \$392.87

Bank Balance as of June 30, 2011 955.07  
Certificate of Deposit Principal Amount\* 2,888.09  
**TOTAL RESOURCES** **\$3,843.16**

\*Maturity Date: July 20, 2011. APR Rate: Prime minus 1.0%, credited monthly.

**THANKS** to the following residents for supporting your GHA by paying your dues **FOR THE YEAR 2011**

Apple Creek Lane	S & J Collins, T & L Jones, S & M McCord, J McMillen, B Miller
Brookside Camp Road	
Cardinal Lane	K Buchanan, M & T Hoke, B & R Snyder, M & C Stanberry, R & R Turner
Charlyne Drive	M Ashe, M T Dinh & H V Trieu, L & E Freeman, J & D Giles, J Shipp
Cherrywood Lane	
Cheryl Drive	P Davis & J Lee, D & U Evans, C & B Kish, C Lemon & R Stevenson, A Magness, M & G Postler
Crabapple Circle	
Crabapple Hill Lane	J & E Askew, L Siebel & C Parker
Florida Drive	M & C Graham, J Henderson, A & R Holt, D & J Kilbourn, M & R Matteson, J & D Noehre, A Reed, M & J Stefanko
Magnolia Drive	E Blackwell, C Bumgarner, L & B Fitch, L Harper, C Masters-Webb, B & J Nicholson, H & S Pennock, O Suleimansade, E VandenDolder & B Erickson, K Wagaman, D & M Whitaker
Mason View Lane	
N. Mason Way	D Hess & B Chandler, J & C Mason
Napier Drive	C Birmingham, M & D Johnston, J O'Connell, C Plack, A & L Souther, L & C Swain
Primrose Drive	S & L Bondar, B Brown, U & S MacLellan, J Van Matre
Starlight Lane	J & J Lucus, R Musolff, P & M Orr, R & J Owenby, K & T Sullivan
Wesley Way	P & J Dubis, L & R Goldman, T & J Klaes, E & B Laney, D & J Piper, M & M Pugliese, C & C Sloan

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**Thanks to all who have already paid their 2011 dues.** If you haven't done so, please make your check in the amount of \$20, payable to GHA. Mail it to Bill Fitch, GHA Treasurer, 3095 Magnolia Dr., Hendersonville, NC 28792. If you wish to return the survey that was included in the January issue of the *Gazette*, you may also mail it to Bill Fitch.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_