GRIMESDALE GAZETTE

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BOARD MEETING & TREASURER'S REPORT. The January 2012 GHA Board Meeting was held at the home of Joyce and Chuck Mason. Our financial balance as of December 31, 2011 is \$3,368.18. (See Treasurer's Report on other side.) Our membership at the end of 2011 was 74 homeowners, and as of this writing we have 8 members for 2012.

WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD! Please extend a warm welcome to our new neighbors, Wendy, Samuel, and Ryan Seward of 3222 Magnolia Drive.

SUNSHINE REPORT. On behalf of the Grimesdale community, Ruth Musolff, our Sunshine Director, sent a sympathy card to Debbie and Carlos Ford of Wesley Way (Carlos's mother passed away); a thinking-of-you card to Elaine Laney of Wesley Way during her illness; a sympathy card to Bob Laney when Elaine passed away; and a get well card to Marilyn Johnston of Napier Drive, who was in the hospital. Please keep Debbie, Carlos, Bob, Marilyn, and their families in your prayers and offer them a kind word when you see them. If you know of any resident who is struggling with illness or the death of a loved one, please tell Ruth Musolff (697-7882) or Chuck Mason (see masthead) so we can send a card with encouragement or sympathy.

HOW SWEET IT IS! We are thrilled to report that four residents have graciously volunteered to serve as GHA officers for 2012. Mike Pugliese of Wesley Way volunteered to serve as Vice President, a position that has remained vacant for 4 years. Bill Erickson of Magnolia Drive volunteered to serve as Treasurer, replacing Bill Fitch, who has filled this role for 8 years. Tracy and Allen Klaes of Wesley Way volunteered to serve jointly as Secretary, replacing Evelyn VandenDolder, who has filled this role for 5 years. Because of the lack of volunteers for their positions, the other officers agreed to serve again: Chuck Mason (7 years as President) and Evelyn VandenDolder (5 years as Editor). Although we weren't able to relieve these two officers (maybe next year), we warmly welcome Mike, Bill Erickson, Tracy, and Allen to the GHA Board and heartily thank Bill Fitch, Chuck, and Evelyn for their years of service to our community.

"THE GRASS MAY BE GREENER on the other side of the fence, but you still have to mow it." This proverb also applies to the Grimesdale Community Park. Shane Messer of Charlyne Drive has mowed the grass in the park and around the entrance sign for the past several years but is unable to continue. We thank Shane for his service and are seeking a replacement. If you (or someone you know) want to make extra money by mowing the park and sign area, contact Chuck Mason (see masthead) to discuss the job and provide a bid.

THINGS THAT GO BUMP IN THE NIGHT. We've received several complaints from residents about loud noises and offensive odors from the Rogers Group asphalt plant on U.S. Highway 25. As reported in previous issues of the *Gazette*, the GHA Board waged a letter-writing campaign last year with local and state officials, which began with residents' odor logs and ended with the governor's assertion that the Division of Air Quality was fulfilling its mandate to protect our air. However, that doesn't mean we have no recourse. If you smell offensive odors from the plant, call DAQ's Asheville office (828-296-4500), which keeps a record of each complaint and inspects the plant for infractions. The DAQ doesn't regulate noise levels. If you're troubled by loud noises from the plant, call the Sheriff's Office (697-4911). The county's noise ordinance exempts businesses, but if the Sheriff's Office receives enough complaints, it may try to alleviate the noise.

SUPPORT YOUR GHA, GET A FREE DISPLAY. If you pay your dues for 2012, you're entitled to advertise your skills on a special web page on the Grimesdale website. These include carpentry, plumbing, landscaping, and other services that you can offer to your neighbors. Children of dues-paying members can also advertise their services, such as babysitting, pet walking, lawn mowing, and snow shoveling. If you're interested in participating in this new program, contact Chuck Mason (see masthead).

WHEN INTERNET IS INTERNOT. Are you having problems with your Morris Broadband Internet service? If so, you may want to contact Lance Siebel (696-9791 or lance1014@morrisbb.net). Lance, who lives on Crabapple Hill Lane, has experience in dealing with the company and has offered to act as spokesman for other Grimesdale residents who encounter problems with their Internet service.

NO APRIL FOOLS HERE. Join us for the next GHA Board Meeting, which will be held at **7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 10**, at the home of Joyce and Chuck Mason, 185 N. Mason Way. 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 December 31, 2011

Bank Balance as of September 30, 2011	\$3,924.45*
INCOME Dues Collected (October through December) Reversal of Bank Debit (checks, deposit slips, & stamp) TOTAL	160.00 <u>63.90</u> \$223.90
EXPENSES Park Maintenance (mowing) Park Barbecue Park Picnic (95.06) & Ice Cream Social (61.08) Gazette (printing July & October issues) Safe Deposit Box (annual fee) Park Maintenance (weed killer; wood & screws to fix picnic tables) Garage Sale (<i>Times-News</i> ad in June) Grimesdale Website (annual domain registration renewal) TOTAL	23.30 <u>15.00</u> \$780.17
TOTAL RESOURCES	\$3,368.18*

^{*} The CD has matured, and its funds have been temporarily deposited in the GHA checking account. A portion of those funds may be invested in a state and municipal bond fund that earns more interest than a bank CD.

THANKS to the following residents for supporting your GHA by paying your dues FOR THE YEAR 2012

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Apple Creek Lane	S & M McCord	
Brookside Camp Road		
Cardinal Lane		
Charlyne Drive		
Cherrywood Lane		
Cheryl Drive		
Crabapple Circle		
Crabapple Hill Lane	L Siebel & C Parker	
Florida Drive	K Schafer, B Wray	
Magnolia Drive	L & B Fitch, E VandenDolder & B Erickson	
Mason View Lane		
N. Mason Way		
Napier Drive		
Primrose Drive		
Starlight Lane	M & B White	
Wesley Way	D & C Ford	
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Thanks to all who have already paid their 2012 dues. If you haven't done so, please make your check in the		

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Name	Address
Phone	E-Mail