

# GRIMESDALE GAZETTE

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**BOARD MEETING & TREASURER'S REPORT.** The July 2012 GHA Board Meeting was held at the home of Joyce and Chuck Mason. Our bank balance as of June 30 is \$3,954.54. (See Treasurer's Report on other side.) As of this writing, we have 76 members for 2012.

**WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD!** Please extend a warm welcome to our new neighbors, Craig Knighten of 27 Apple Creek Lane, Norah and David Rawley of 3217 Florida Drive, and Daina (pronounced like "Dana") Riley of 3101 Wesley Way. If you know of any other newcomers to Grimesdale, please contact Evelyn VandenDolder ([editor@grimesdale.org](mailto:editor@grimesdale.org) or 693-5992) so she can welcome them in the *Gazette*.

**A THIEF IN THE NIGHT.** For several weeks, thieves have been stealing items from unlocked cars parked near homes in Grimesdale. They appear to be roaming our streets in the wee hours of the morning. Residents on Magnolia, Primrose, Wesley, Cheryl, and Charlyne Drives have reported items missing from their vehicles. We have not heard of any break-ins of homes. These larcenies have been reported to the Sheriff's Office. Your best defense against these criminals is to lock your vehicles, remove any valuables from them and your yard, leave on outside lights, install motion detectors, and call 911 if you see or hear any suspicious activity. Remember, we are a Community Watch neighborhood, so please watch over your neighbors as well as yourself. Some residents were alerted about this threat shortly after the thefts occurred because they provided their email addresses to the GHA Board for use in neighborhood announcements. If you would like to be included in these communications (which are mass distributed as blind copies [bcc] to safeguard privacy), please contact Chuck Mason (see masthead) to provide your email address.

**A FRIENDLY ROSTER.** Because many homes have changed hands, we are updating the Grimesdale directory, which includes the names, addresses, and phone numbers of all residents in Grimesdale. The directory is distributed to all dues-paying members of GHA. Listing your correct information in the directory ensures that your neighbors can reach you if necessary. If you wish to provide your email address as well so email alerts will reach you (see previous paragraph), rest assured that your email address will remain confidential and will not be published in the Grimesdale directory. Street directors will try to verify and update the information listed in the current directory, but if you know of any changes that should be made to the directory or of any new residents in the neighborhood, please contact Chuck Mason (see masthead).

**AN EXPANDING PROBLEM.** The GHA Board discovered that the Rogers Group asphalt plant on U.S. Highway 25 applied for a permit to expand its operations to allow the recycling of roof shingles. All shingles contain polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), and those manufactured before 1990 may also contain asbestos; both of these compounds are hazardous. Although we advocate recycling whenever possible, asphalt recycling must be properly managed and monitored to avoid health and environmental hazards. On behalf of the Grimesdale community, the GHA Board sent a letter to the Division of Air Quality (and cc'd others), imploring DAQ to require the plant to enclose its operations, before it issues a permit, to safeguard against fire, air pollution, and water pollution. As of this writing, we are still awaiting a response from DAQ.

**THE STATE OF FLORIDA.** We are sad to report that Joe Stefanko has resigned as street director of Florida Drive. We thank Joe for his service to our community. The main duty of a street director is to deliver copies of the quarterly *Gazette* to homes on his or her street. If possible, a street director also attends the quarterly GHA meetings. If you would like to serve your community by volunteering to be the street director for Florida Drive, please contact Chuck Mason (see masthead). We will enthusiastically welcome you to our neighborly group.

♫ **SHAVE AND A HAIRCUT, TWO BITS.** ♫ It's that time of year again, when foliage needs to be defoliated. Bushes now block visibility at several intersections, posing a danger to pedestrians, bicyclists, and drivers. Please trim the bushes along the right-of-way section of your property, especially near street corners.

**CLUB BINDS BOOKS & NEIGHBORS.** Members of the Grimesdale Book Club spent a pleasant Saturday exploring the Thomas Wolfe Memorial and sharing stories over lunch in Asheville, after previously discussing Wolfe's novel, *Look Homeward, Angel*. The next meeting of the book club will be held at **7:15 p.m. on Thursday, July 26**, at the home of Cecille Masters-Webb, 3136 Magnolia Drive. We will discuss the book *Render unto the Valley*, by local author Rose Senehi. If you would like to join us or learn more about the book club, please contact Evelyn VandenDolder (editor@grimesdale.org or 693-5992).

**GRIMESDALE GARAGE SALE.** Clear away all those unwanted items cluttering up your home and get ready for the neighborhood garage sale on **Saturday, July 28, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.** Remember, you will sell your own goods in your own yard for your own benefit. What a wonderful way to gain extra space and extra cash!

**ICE CREAM SOCIAL.** Summer brings fireflies, homegrown tomatoes, flower-filled gardens, and the ice cream man. Join us for the annual ice cream social in the Grimesdale Community Park on **Sunday, August 5, from 2 to 3:30 p.m.** If it rains that afternoon, the ice cream social will be postponed until the following Sunday, August 12, at the same time. Because of scheduling constraints, the autumn picnic in the park will not be held this October. The ice cream social will be the only community-wide social event of the year. So take a weather break on August 5. Cool down with free ice cream, then warm up to friendly neighbors.

**ELECTION YEAR.** Like our counterparts in the national sphere, we are holding elections this year for all of the GHA offices. If you would like to volunteer for any of the offices listed on the masthead, please contact Chuck Mason. We will vote on new officers for the year 2013 at the ice cream social on August 5.

**FANCY MEETING YOU HERE!** Join us for the next GHA Board Meeting, which will be held at **7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 2**, 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, 2012

Bank Balance as of March 31, 2012	\$3,934.54
<u>INCOME</u>	
Dues Collected (April through June)	\$320.00
<u>EXPENSES</u>	
Park Maintenance (partial payment on mowing contract)	\$300.00
Bank Balance as of June 30, 2012	\$3,954.54

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

Apple Creek Lane	S & J Collins, R Giles, T & L Jones, S & M McCord, J McMillen, B Miller, C & J Wiley
Brookside Camp Road	
Cardinal Lane	K Buchanan, M & T Hoke, C & D Romeo, B & R Snyder, M & C Stanberry, R & R Turner
Charlyne Drive	M Ashe, K Brostowicz, L & E Freeman, D Giles, L & J Simpson, M & H Trieu
Cherrywood Lane	
Cheryl Drive	P Davis & J Lee, D & U Evans, C & B Kish, C Lemon & R Stevenson, A Magness, M Postler, S & B Young
Crabapple Circle	
Crabapple Hill Lane	J & E Askew, L Siebel & C Parker
Florida Drive	A & D Devlin, M & C Graham, J Henderson, D & J Kilbourn, M & R Matteson, J & D Noehre, A Reed, K Schafer, K & J Wolfe, B Wray
Magnolia Drive	E Blackwell, J Bridgers, C Bumgarner, L & B Fitch, C Masters-Webb, B & J Nicholson, H & S Pennock, O Suleinausade, E VandenDolder & B Erickson, D & M Whitaker
Mason View Lane	K & T Simon
N. Mason Way	D Hess & B Chandler, J & C Mason, S & J Mason
Napier Drive	C Birmingham, M & D Johnston, J O'Connell, C Plack, A & L Souther
Primrose Drive	L & L Bondar, O & B Brown, A & R Dhein, J Van Matre
Starlight Lane	T & R Hass, J & J Lucas, R Musolff, P & M Orr, C & R Owenby, K & T Sullivan, M & B White
Wesley Way	P & J Dubis, D & C Ford, L & R Goldman, J Hill, B Laney, D & J Piper, C & C Sloan, A & M Tate

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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 amount of \$20, payable to the Grimesdale Homes Association. Mail it to Bill Erickson, GHA Treasurer, 3116 Magnolia Dr., Hendersonville, NC 28792.

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