Occoquan Landing Community Newsletter

Spring Cleaning Tips

Well, it's finally here...SPRING! And with spring comes spring cleaning! We all hate it but hopefully the following tips, tricks and time-savers will motivate us all to clean, and dare I say...ENJOY it!?!

- When you dust, start at the top and work down.
- Take all your cleaning tools; avoid unnecessary trips back and forth.
- Clean as you go! It takes a lot less time to remove new dirt than old.
- Leave baking soda on carpeting over night will absorb musty odors.
- Make a checklist of chores to get organized first.
- Wash walls from the bottom up, to avoid streaking.
- Use old socks as mitts for cleaning difficult wood work.
- Wash small knickknacks instead of dusting.
- To removing heel marks, take pencil eraser and rub them off.
- Don't mix cleaning products. Ammonia and bleach are toxic. (Remember common cleaners such as Windex and Comet meet this don't do rule.)
- Allowing cleaners to set for several minutes will ease the cleaning job.
- Turn on your favorite music.
- Open the windows to air the house.
- Make light, energy-packed snacks so that you can nibble throughout the process.
- Enlist the help of your kids or a professional cleaning service. Gift certificates from a cleaning service would also make a great gift for someone or one you might want to hint for yourself!

Then, after you're finished, sit back and admire your like-new clean house, and congratulate yourself for a job well done.



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Calendar of Events

Wednesday, April 20, 8:00 PM – Special Board Meeting (1415 Admiral Dr.)

Friday, April 22 – Earth Day



Saturday, April 23 – Passover Begins

Wednesday, April 27 – Administrative Professionals Day



Wednesday, May 4, 8:00 pm – Board Meeting (1415 Admiral) ALL WELCOME!

Monday, November 14 – Occoquan Landing Homeowner's Association Annual Meeting (Occoquan Town Hall)



Welcome Committee Last chance to join....

Are there any community members who may be interested in participating on a Welcome Committee? This committee would perform various "welcome" activities when new residents move into the community. Best case scenario would be to have at least one Welcome Committee member for each street in the neighborhood. If you are interested please contact Libby Hogen-Heath at 703-492-1170.

Occoquan Landing – Important Numbers

Clip this handy list and post it next to your phone or on your refrigerator.

AAA Recycling and Trash Removal (703) 227-5251

Nowell's Towing (703) 670-0400

Prince William County (landfill hours) (703) 792-5750

Crime Prevention Unit (Neighborhood Watch) (703) 792-7270

EMERGENCY - 911

Non-emergency Fire (703) 792-6800

Non-emergency Police (703) 792-6500

Potomac Hospital (703) 670-1313

Mom Work:

National Capital Poison Center 1-800-222-1222

Dad Work:
Other important numbers:

Occoquan Landing Community Board Members

- President Michèle McQuigg 703-491-2294 <u>mcquigg01@comcast.net</u>
- VP/Architectural Control Steve Heath 703-492-1170 heathroe2@yahoo.com

Contact before making any changes to the exterior of your home

- Secretary Nayyar Zaidi 703-380-3982 nzaidiusa@yahoo.com
- Treasurer VACANT
- Neighborhood Watch/Parking Earl Linton 703-494-3559 wel12@aol.com
- Maintenance/Grounds Norman Howard 703-494-3904 howardn@ttnus.com
- Newsletter VACANT Acting, Libby Hogen-Heath 703-492-1170 xwhitehouseintern@yahoo.com

Non-Board Member:

 Bookkeeper - Anna Longo 703-490-6802 alongo@covad.net

Contact to obtain HOA Disclosure Packet when selling your home

Reminder There are two open Board seats.
Please, if you are interested in participating as a member of the Board, contact one of the current Board members prior to the May 4th meeting. They will be more than willing to ans wer any questions/concerns you may have regarding service as a Board member.

Do you have an idea for an article for the newsletter? Having a yard sale that you'd like to announce? Holding a Tupperware™ or Pampered Chef™ party that you'd like to invite your neighbors to attend? Do you give lessons or tutor and you'd like to advertise with us? Please contact Libby Hogen-Heath (xwhitehouseintern@yahoo.com) and she'll be happy to post it in the next newsletter.

CLASSIFIEDS

STOP POISONING YOUR FAMILY! Find out what personal and home care products affect your family's health by attending our FREE presentation. We'll supply you with information about current products on the market and share with you alternatives that work better and cost less.

Every 2nd and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:15 pm at The Freedom Center, 4320 Dale Blvd., Dale City, VA.... Call Bonnie Pewterbaugh, 703.491.5292 to register now!

Home-Based Business Associates Wanted