POINT OF WOODS

COMMUNITY NEWS LETTER

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Upcoming Board Meetings:

Thursday, Aug. 1 - 7pm

Hang Tags

Saturday, Sept. 14 10:30-1pm

Annual Meeting
TBA

New Hang Tags Coming Saturday, September 14th

To ensure that dues are being paid and that there are no extra hang tags floating around causing parking issues for everyone, we are issuing new parking passes.

We have scheduled the day for pickup on Saturday, September 14, 2012, from 10:30am—12:45pm at Central Library.

If you cannot make it on this day, you will need to make other arrangements prior to the pick up date.

Regardless of when you pick up your new hang tags, all old hang tags will be void as of Mon. Sept. 23, 2012 at 12am. Anyone parked with old

hang tags after this time will be towed.

To obtain new hang tags you must bring your old hang tags, photo ID, lease (if you rent), and payment for any assessment fees you owe.

If you are unsure if your dues are paid up to date, please contact Paul Hunter. If you have any other questions, feel free to contact the board.

Landlords— Please make sure you inform your tenants of this information.



Contact Information:

Aubinoe Management

Paul Hunter, Community Manager— Paul@ala-inc.com 540-349-3000 ext. 311

Mailing Address: Aubinoe Management PO BOX 596 Warrenton, VA 20188

After Hours Emergency: 1-888-333-4252

Point of Woods Website www.pointofwoodshoa.com

Neighborhood Watch stopcrime@pointofwoodshoa.com

Manassas City Police (703) 257-8000

ANNUAL MEETING TO BE HELD IN OCTOBER

The annual meeting will be held in October at Central Library. (Date TBA in August.)

We cannot hold our annual meeting without having 10 percent of all homes accounted for. Therefore, it is very important for homeowners

to come to the meeting or fill out the proxy forms and send them in.

You will receive your proxy in the mail. If you don't receive one or need a new one, please call Paul and let him know.

We have 4 board positions

open, including the secretary position, so feel free to put in an application.

We will also be reviewing the draft budget for Fiscal Year 2013.

We hope to see you there!

Scoop your Dogs Poop!

It's your responsibility

Cleaning up your dogs waste and making sure they are on a leash is your responsibility and it's the law. Police officers can and will ticket you if they see you leaving dog waste behind or walking your dog off a leash.

We have 2 pet waste stations located at the playground behind Laurelwood Ct. and in the common area at Stonewall Rd./Shady Grove Cir. So please pick up after your dogs and dispose of it in a covered container

until trash day.

This includes
your back
yards.



HHWaste & E-Waste Drop Off Days

The City of Manassas offers a drop off for your **household hazardous waste** (used paint, old chemicals, batteries, etc.) and **e-waste** (TVs, computer monitors and other electronics) at the Manassas Transfer Station, 8305 Quarry Road, on these Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to noon only:

Remaining 2013 Dates

August 3 September 7 (Holiday Change) October 5 No November Collection December 7

Please take advantage of these drop off days. If you have any questions, call Sue Lhotka, Refuse and Recycling Coordinator at 703-275-8252

ORKIN RAT

We currently have a contract with Orkin for rat control. You may have seen the black boxes outside your fence and in the alleys. These are bait stations and they look like this:



We've had complaints about seeing rats and these boxes being moved or just disappearing. If you are seeing LIVE rats please let us know. Also, if you notice bait stations missing or moved we need to know this as well.

Please tell your children NOT to touch the bait stations.

FALL COMMUNITY CLEANUP & YARD SALE

It's that time again! We are having a community cleanup and yard sale. Two courtesy trucks will be brought in for any trash that you might want to get rid of before, during, or after the yard sale.

We encourage all home owners to take this opportunity to get rid of junk from inside and outside of their homes. The trucks will arrive on Fri. September 20th and the yard sale will be Saturday Sept. 21st and Sunday Sept. 22nd. The trucks will remain onsite until Monday morning.

Please do not over fill the trucks. Also, DO NOT place TV's or any other hazardous materials in the trucks.

The yard sale will be located on the 3-acre field at Stonewall Rd & McKenzie Cir. Everyone is welcome to sell. You may set up and tear down on your own schedule.

Please email Nikki if you have any questions.





POINT OF WOODS FALL FESTIVAL SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13TH



The 5th Annual Point of Woods Fall Festival is set for Sunday October 13th from 12pm-4pm. The rain date is Sunday October 20th.

We will need volunteers to help out the day of the event. We will need help with set up and clean up. We will also need help during the festival with kids activities such as pumpkin painting, sand art, etc.

If you would like to volunteer, contact Nikki Ebert at nikki@pointofwoodshoa.com or call Paul Hunter and

leave your name and number

More info on activities, raffle prizes, food, and more will be in the next news letter.

Information will also be posted on our website and

community message board at the corner of Stonewall Rd. and McKenzie Circle.

We hope to see you there!



LIGHT UP THE NEIGHBORHOOD

Neighborhood watch is encouraging homeowners to leave their porch lights on at night. Worried it will cost too much money? Get a CFL bulb. Not only do they save electricity, but they last 7 years.

If you know of any street lights that are blown out or flickering, please let neighborhood watch know at stopcrime@pointofwoods.com and they will be happy to take care of it.

Also, neighborhood watch needs members! If you are interested in participating, please email us at stopcrime@pointofwoodshoa.com.

E-mail the Board

Nikki Ebert — President nikki@pointofwoodshoa.com

Ian Lovejoy — Vice President ian@pointofwoodshoa.com

Jonathan Clark — Treasurer jonathan@pointofwoodshoa.com

VACANT—Secretary

Shateia Sharpe — Director at Large shateia@pointofwoodshoa.com

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If you are interested in being a board member, please fill out a board member application and/or come to a meeting

HELP US KEEP GRAFFITI OUT OF POINT OF WOODS

There have been some instances of graffiti at our playgrounds recently.

We really want to stay on top of it, but we need everyone to help out. If you see graffiti anywhere, the first thing you should do is report it to the police.

If the graffiti is on your property or fence, you will be responsible for

having it cleaned ASAP. Please be aware that if you fail to remove graffiti from your property the city can have it removed and bill you. If you fail to pay the bill they can then put a lien on your property.

If graffiti is on HOA property, such as playgrounds or sidewalks, please notify the police and let us know ASAP.

If you see anyone doing this, please let us know. You will be kept anonymous.

Thank you in advance for your help.



Trash, Recycling, and Yard Waste Guidelines 8 tips to ensure items at curb are picked up

The City of Manassas is fortunate to have excellent trash, recycling and yard waste service. Sometimes we take that service for granted. We think if we drag anything we don't want to the curb, it will get picked up. That is not the case. The City does have some basic rules for residents to follow. These rules ensure the safety of the men and women who work as haulers, and they keep our City curb appeal to a high standard. Here are eight tips to ensure your trash, re-cycling and yard waste are picked up promptly. Remember Manassas City and the HOA IS citing homeowners for violations.

- **1.** Use the correct container. It's simple: Recycling goes in the dark green cart provided by the City. Trash goes in your own trash receptacle, preferably a sturdy can with a tight fitting lid. Yard waste goes in your own receptacle (not the recycle cart) or biodegradable paper bags available for purchase at local hard-ware, home improvement or grocery retailers.
- **2. Do not overload containers.** If you can't pick up a recycle cart full of heavy magazines or glass bottles yourself, do not expect a recycler to be able to pick up the container either. Same with trash. If your receptacle is so full you can't get the lid closed, use another container. For yard waste, split up heavy grass clippings between paper bags or cans.
- **3. Set out bulk items correctly.** Bulk items like stoves, washers or furniture may be set out for regular trash collection. TVs or computers must be taken to the household hazardous waste collection site (see schedule below). Call the Manassas Trash Line at 703-257-8252 to set out a refrigerator, freezer, dehumidifier or air conditioner. These items need special handling due to the EPA regulations for Freon. For safety, City code requires doors to be taken off these items. A fine may occur if they are not.
- **4. Stick to the construction debris limit.** Residents are limited to one cubic yard (3 feet x 3 feet x 3 feet) per week. Large amounts may be taken to the Manassas Transfer Station (\$10 for first 300 pounds, prorated on \$72 per ton after that) or residents may rent the City's courtesy truck for \$75.
- **5. DO NOT USE PLASTIC BAGS FOR YARD WASTE.** Grass clippings, leaves and other yard-waste that is put in plastic garbage bags will not be picked up curbside. Yard waste must be in a receptacle (not the recycle cart) or biodegradable paper bags.

 PROPERLY BUNDLED

USE THESE BAGS



DO NOT USE



PROPERLY BUNDLED BRANCHES



- **6. Cut and tie larger limbs with heavy string.** Large piles of tree limbs dragged to the street will not be picked up. You must cut them into manageable pieces four feet or less and either put them in a receptacle or biodegradable paper bag or tie them in neat bundles with heavy string.
- **7. Do not set out too early.** If you work in your yard throughout the week, do not set yard waste at the curb until Sunday evening. Yard waste is picked up on Mondays only. If you clean out your house and have a lot of trash, do not set it out at the curb until the evening before pickup.
- **8. Do not set out too late.** If the trash hauler comes at 6:30 am and you put out the trash at 7 am when you leave for work, it is still going to be sitting at the curb when you get home from work that evening. If you can't get up and put the trash out before the trash hauler comes in the morning, set trash out the night before. Don't set it out too early. Any-time after 4 pm is okay.

Questions? Call the Manassas Trash Line at 703-257-8252 or email Nikki Ebert at nikki@pointofwoodshoa.com.