Ethan's Green Newsletter

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Annual Meeting

Monday, March 14
7:00 PM
Dodge Intermediate School

The current homeowners' board has been very busy. Over the past ten months, we have accomplished the following:

- After an extensive search and several thorough interviews, the Board has unanimously agreed to contract with R. N. Landis Management Company for a two year contract for property management service. Landis will be replacing Carlyle Management with the responsibility for billing, information requests and customer service for the residents of Ethans Green.
- We have entered into a five year commitment with Turfscape**,** Inc**.,** of Twinsburg for landscaping services at a reduced rate from the previous contract. In addition, an escape clause was added to the contract which will allow us to leave Turfscape without penalty if the board is unhappy with the quality of service.
- We have entered into a three year agreement with Aqua Doc to maintain the multiple pond fountains. Aqua Doc will also proactively monitor and treat ponds, including the canal area, in order to reduce and control algae growth.
- We have contracted with Nenadal Painting for a three year contract for the cleaning and maintenance of the common area gazebos in order for the work to be performed early in the spring.
- Ethan's Green new Website has been launched! Please take a moment to check out our new look! The Classified Ads have also been updated. We hope that you will support your neighbors in our community. As always, your feedback is always welcome and appreciated.

Twinsburg Natural Gas program

The City of Twinsburg has set an aggregation fixed price for natural gas at $6.19 per mcf for a period of one year starting with October 2010 usage (November Billing) thru September 2011. If you are in the City's program no action is required. If you want to join the program anytime this year, call Vectren at

866-202-4745 to enroll but first call your existing supplier (rate and number will be on the middle left side of your last bill) to check the current expiration date of your current gas supplier in order to avoid any early termination penalties. If you have any questions or need help please call Bill Furey at 330-256-1436 or email at bfurey@windstream.net.

Are you having problems with your water bill?

Many Ethan's residents have had difficulty reconciling water billing issues with Cleveland Water. In order to help eliminate resident frustration and red tape, Cleveland Water has added a customer service manager to help resolve these issues quickly and without the waiting time common with their customer service for Twinsburg residents. If you need help with billing or meter reading issues regarding Cleveland Water you can contact the Mayor's office at 330-425-7161 or Bill Furey at 330-256-1436 for information or assistance.

2011 Annual Ethans Green Community Garage Sale

The date has been set for this year's Community Garage Sale. The sale dates are Friday and Saturday, June 10 & 11, from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Registration forms with additional information will be sent out with the annual meeting notice in March. If you have any questions, please contact Penny Victor at 330-998-3335 or Geni Spera at 330-487-5776.

Are Home Improvement Projects on Your Agenda?

Remember your plans and specifications must be submitted to the HOA Architectural Review Committee (ARC). This requirement affects you, even if you are living in a residence governed by a condo association. ARC approval is necessary for all major projects such as adding decks, patios, fencing, and house additions or alterations. For additional information, contact Rich Landis of R.N. Landis Management at 440-442-6663.

Message from the President

What a busy year we have had on the Ethan Commons Homeowners' Board. We have been reviewing contracts, negotiating price reductions, reviewing quotes, resolving resident concerns, performing property inspections, and working hard to maintain our common areas. By seeking competitive bids on our maintenance contracts, we have been able to reduce our costs and lock in the savings by signing multiple year contracts. This, in turn, has allowed us to hold our annual dues at $90 for 2011.

Thanks to the efforts of Board Member Penny Victor and her son, Scott, we have a new and improved website. Be sure to take a look at the results at **www.ethans-green.com** and let us know what you think. We would love to hear your suggestions for additional changes and upgrades. Do you have a home business? Use the classified section to let your neighbors know what services you offer (do we have any certified babysitters out there?).

I hope to see many of you at our **Annual Meeting** to be held on Monday, March 14, at 7:00 P.M. at Dodge Intermediate School on Ravenna Road. Come out and meet your board members and help us welcome Richard Landis, our new property management agent.

As always, our board is here to serve you, our fellow residents. Please feel free to contact any of our board members with your questions or concerns.

Geni Spera
President, Ethan Commons HOA