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Holiday Jrash Reminder

There will be no pick-up of recyclables on Wednesday, July 4, 2018 due to the July 4th holiday. The recyclables will not be picked up until the next Wednesday, which is July 11, 2018. If you set your trash out on the wrong day, do not leave it there! Put it away in its regular storage location until it is time to put it out for the next trash pick-up!

Items in Windows

Air conditioners may only be put in windows if needed for medical reasons, after approval through submitting an Architectural Approval Form, with documentation of the medical condition. Approval must be gotten

each year. Window fans may only be used temporarily, overnight, and must be removed during the day.

Next Board Meeting -Wednesday, July 11, 2018

Management Company

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Oak Notes

The Oak Springs Homeowners' Association Newsletter

Summer 2018

Celebrating the 4th of July

The 4th of July is a day that Americans love to celebrate, and there is some good news for those who like to light fireworks in order to celebrate. The Town of Warrenton's ordinance regarding fireworks has been changed. Fireworks purchased at stands in Town are legal to use. These are fireworks which do not have any parts being shot out into the air from them, and include fireworks named "fountains," "pharaohs," "serpents," "sparklers," and "whirligigs." Any setting off of fireworks that do have parts which fly out from them, is not legal, and the Town of Warrenton Police Department should be called directly, to report violations.

The Town of Warrenton Committee on Health, Parks, and Recreation is again this year, planning a hometown celebration being called Warrenton Town Limits, to be held on Friday, June 29, 2018, beginning at 3:00 P.M. and concluding with fireworks when it becomes dark, at the Warrenton Aquatic & Recreation Facility (WARF). It is a family celebration of everything Warrenton. This year's event includes music and activities on the main stage, a kids' stage with entertainment for children, a petting zoo, a family fun zone with inflatables, vendors selling food, games, swimming, and much more. The event is free, and everyone is welcome! For more details about the event, go to the Committee's website at www.warrentontownlimits.com.

Changes or Additions to Homes or Properties

Homeowners should remember that any change or addition which they want to make to the outside of their home or on their property, must be approved by submitting an Architectural Approval Form to the management office. This includes changes to part of an item, such as replacing or re-staining the floor boards on a deck. A Form can be printed from the Association's page on the ARMI website at <u>www.ARMI-HOA.com</u> or will be sent to you on request. Just follow the instructions on the Form.

Do not assume that any changes or additions which you may see on another home or property have been approved - there are often ongoing issues in the community regarding unapproved elements. Be sure to apply for approval of any change or addition which you want to make, and do not begin the project until you receive it!

Prevent Breeding of Mosquitoes

The following tips for preventing mosquitoes from breeding on your property, and so keeping down the number of mosquitoes able to bite you, are being provided by municipal health departments:

- Turn over or remove containers in your yard in which rain water collects, such as potted plant trays and buckets.
- * Eliminate standing water which may have pooled on any uneven surface.
- * Change the water in birdbaths frequently.
- * Empty wading pools when they are not in use.
- Do not allow water to collect in garbage cans.

Hopefully, by following these tips, you and your family can get through the summer without covering yourselves with anti-itch creams, or becoming ill, due to having been bitten.

Consideration for Neighbors

In townhouse communities such as Oak Springs, where residents live in close proximity to each other, the summer season is a time when residents need to be especially considerate of their neighbors, in relation to their own behaviour. As the weather becomes warmer, residents spend more time outdoors, and windows are opened to catch any breezes. Keep noise levels moderate in your home, outside your home, and in your vehicles. When engaged in recreational activities, take care that your activities do not have an impact on other residents' property or vehicles. With participation and care from all residents, everyone can enjoy the season.