

The Plane Tree Post

The Plane Tree Townhouse Homeowners' Association Newsletter

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Association Meetings

In the wake of the current health crisis involving the COVID-19 (coronavirus) and the actions recommended to be taken to prevent its spread, association meetings are being held outdoors or postponed. The holding of meetings indoors will be resumed when it has been determined that it would not be detrimental to anyone's health, to hold them. You may check the Association's page on the website, or call the office, to see if a meeting has been scheduled.



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Maintenance of Homes

Just as people age, so do communities. It has been some time since the homes in your neighborhood were built. Although the community still presents an overall good appearance, signs of wear are beginning to show. Areas of your home which are made of wood may need to be repaired and painted. Fences and decks may need to be cleaned and sealed. Driveways may have developed holes in them, or have become discolored and stained by fluids leaking from vehicles.

One area of wood trim that seems to have deteriorated the most on the homes, is that of the rake boards, which are the wooden trim boards located under the eaves of the roofs. If this issue is not addressed, and the rake boards remain unsound, moisture can enter the walls of the home and damage the interior.

Taking care of these maintenance issues can help ensure that your home will remain a pleasant and comfortable place in which to live, for years to come!

Spring Extra Trash Pick-up

The Town of Warrenton Spring Clean-up extra trash pick-up is scheduled for Plane Tree on **Tuesday, April 6, 2021**. **Please have items you want to have removed, at the curb by 8:00 A.M., but no earlier than after dark on Monday.** No return trips can be made.

Unfortunately, the Town is no longer able to take away any appliance which contains or contained freon. Old tires will be still be picked up but there is a charge of \$3.00 per tire, which must be paid in advance, or the tires will not be removed. Call Public Works at 540-347-1858 to arrange to pay the fee. Items such as TVs, computers, monitors, copiers, microwave ovens, printers, battery packs, or any type of liquid chemicals or paint, will not be picked up. For more information, call the Fauquier Waste Management office at 540-422-8840 or go to http://www.warrentonva.gov/government/departments/public_works.

Be sure to remove any items which are not picked up!

Architectural Approval

If you are contemplating a change or addition to any element on the outside of your home or on your property, don't neglect to complete and submit an Architectural Approval Form. Before doing so, check the Association's governing documents to see whether what you are requesting is in line with the architectural guidelines for the community.

Also, it should be remembered that since the community is located in the Warrenton Historical District, some changes and additions must also be approved by the Town of Warrenton's Architectural Review Board. Call 540-347-2405 for information on applying for approval.

If You Have a Pet

Many residents in communities such as Plane Tree, keep pets in their homes, and for some, the pets are almost members of the family. However, not everyone is an animal lover, and not all residents in a community, are inclined to cheerfully put up with the inconveniences the keeping of pets can cause.

If you have a pet that is not a small one kept in an aquarium, you will be familiar with the need to take your pet out into the community, especially if you have a dog. Be sure to have your dog on a leash, do not allow him or her to go onto other residents' properties without being invited, and promptly remove and dispose of any waste which is left, no matter where it has been deposited.

Should your pet be a dog, you will also be familiar with the volume at which dogs can express themselves. Be considerate of your neighbors! Do not leave dogs outside unattended, which seems to increase their need to bark, and if they must be left alone at home, try to have an area set up for them away from windows, where they can spend their time, and be less of a disturbance to the neighbors.