

Neighborhood News

Masterson Station Neighborhood Association

September 2003

This Month: Neighborhood Fall Sale

The Masterson Station Neighborhood Fall Garage Sale will be Saturday, Sept. 13th from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. (Rain date: September 20th.)

To participate, simply tie a balloon to your mailbox or somewhere in your front yard on the day of the sale. Please do not post individual signs throughout the neighborhood and entrance.

We would like to thank Cy Stamatis for making the arrangements for our yard sale. Without her hard work we could not hold an organized sale.

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Mosquito Spraying

Our area is scheduled for mosquito spraying on Monday nights, 9:30pm to 11:30pm. This schedule of spraying generally continues at least through September, until the first frost.

Every street in each area is not sprayed. It's done where there is known standing water and where mosquitos have been reported by the public. Rain or wind of more than 10 miles per hour prevents spraying; in those cases the spraying is generally done the following night. It is best to stay indoors when your area is sprayed and to stay at least 500 feet away from the back of the spraying truck.

For more information regarding the spraying or to report mosquito problems, call the health department's environmental division at 231-9791. More information about the products used and tips for reducing the number of mosquitos around your home are at www.lexingtonhealthdepartment.org under Environmental.

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Calendar

September
Fall Yard Sale 13 th
October
Board Meeting 14 th
Association Meeting 21 st
December
Board Meeting 9th
Association Meeting 16 th
(Christmas Party)
February
Board Meeting 10th
Annual Association Meeting 17th

www.mastersonstation.org

Neighborhood Crime

We have received several reports of burglaries occurring during the daylight hours throughout our neighborhood. If you suspect suspicious activity, please make a note of any details and if warranted, call the police at 258-3600 (non-emergency phone number).

In several incidents, people are entering an open garage door and taking items from within. As close as our houses are to the road, it would be a good practice to close your garage door when you aren't in a position to observe it.

At night, you should leave at least one outdoor light on, especially if you are in an area of the neighborhood that has yet to have street lights installed.

We're also receiving reports of suspicious activity in Masterson Station Park. There have been autos seen parked after dark, and driving along the fence line that separates our neighborhood from the park.

If you would like to get an idea of the criminal activity occurring in our neighborhood, the Lexington police department has a web site, <http://crimewatch.lfucg.com>, that tracks such activity.

As residents in our neighborhood, we should be concerned with

regards to any criminal activity. The police department cannot be everywhere all the time and we need to look after one another. If the crime rate goes up, our home values will go down.

One way to thwart any crime activity would be to start a Neighborhood Watch. This was attempted over 5 years ago, but didn't succeed because of the lack of interest. Everyone should be interested. These are our homes, and we should be interested in protecting them.

If you are interested in forming a Neighborhood Watch, please contact any of the board members.

Board Elections

Elections are coming up in February 2004 at our annual meeting. The positions that are elected at this time will be President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The terms are for 2 years.

The MSNA By-laws require that nominations for election to the Board of Directors be made by a Nominating Committee. This committee shall consist of two members of the Board of Directors and three or more Members of the Association. This committee has to be in place no less than 30 days prior to the annual meeting.

If you are interested in serving on the Nominating Committee, please contact any of the board members.

E-Mail List

Join our neighborhood e-mail list by e-mailing mastersonstationnasubscribe@yahogroups.com. You will get a request back for your name and street address. This is a restricted list open only to our neighbors. The e-mail list enables notification of meetings and quicker distribution of news.

Herbie, Rosie & Lenny Containers

The association continues to receive complaints from residents regarding containers left at the curb past the removal time.

As a result, the association has requested that the city's Division of Solid Waste have its "Herbie Cop" visit on Tuesdays and Fridays to cite those who still have containers on the curb. Citations could result in fines.

Containers may be placed on the curb after 7 pm (April 15-Oct. 15) on the evening before scheduled collection and removed from the curb by 7 pm on collection day.

We also continue to receive complaints about containers placed in front of the home. Containers should be placed at the side of the home out of view.

Several cottage home owners have complained that their neighbors place their containers in direct view of their front window. Our deed of restrictions require that these containers be placed out of view.

If you would like more information on the collection or you would like to request a Lenny, Rosie or Herbie, call LexCall at 425-2255.

September Tips

Firewood:

For those residents who burn firewood: Keep the home fires burning all fall and winter. Order firewood now so that come the first cold snap, you'll be prepared. When ordering firewood specify a mix of hardwoods, such as oak, ash, birch and maple. They may be pricier than softwoods (such as pines), but they generate nearly double the heat.

Street Lights:

To report non-working street lights call Kentucky Utilities @ 1-800-981-0600, choose residential services and follow the menu items to report the location of the street light.

Classifieds

Anyone interested in placing a classified ad in this newsletter or on the web-site please contact Jeff

Crabb @ jdcrabb@hotmail.com or 252-5497.

Get Involved!

Do you want to get involved in the neighborhood? We need residents for board positions and to join a number of committees aimed at making living in Masterson Station more enjoyable. The list of committees include landscape, social, newsletter and more. If you're interested in getting involved, simply contact one of the current board members and they will be happy to talk with you.

Check us out on the web

The neighborhood's web site has been up and running for over two years. It is full of information including past newsletters, copies of our Deed of Restrictions and contact information. If you haven't seen it yet, be sure to check it out.

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