

# Hillsdale Community Newsletter



Hillsdale Community Association

Fall 2015

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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#### Representative:

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### Mailing Address for HOA Dues:

Hillsdale Community Association

C/O SFMC

P.O. Box 66571

Phoenix, AZ 85082-6571

### AAA Recycling and Trash Removal Services

<http://www.aaatrash.com>

703-818-8222

### King Towing

703-352-5288

### Fairfax County

#### Dispatch/Animal Control

703-691-2131

### Fairfax County Web Site

[www.fairfaxcounty.gov](http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov)

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS

(Contact through SFMC)

**Larry Mikesell**  
*President*

**Zoe Lloyd**  
*Vice President*

**Josh Brady**  
*Treasurer*

**Nancy Landson**  
*Secretary*

**Debbie Schultz**  
*ACC Chair*

**Paras Kaul**  
*Web Curator*



**Home Owner Assessments are due on October 1, 2015**  
**The quarterly rate is \$285**

### Upcoming 2015 Board of Directors' Meetings:

Wednesday, September 23; Tuesday, October 20;

Wednesday, November 18; Wednesday, December 16

Meetings are at the Kings Park Library - 9000 Burke Lake Road at 7PM  
All but Oct. 20 are in the **Supervisor's Room** (entrance on other side)

## From the Board:

**PERMIT PARKING:** When you park in a permit spot, **the permit hanging tag MUST be clearly visible**, hanging from your rear view mirror. Any lack of visibility may be justification for towing, and nobody wants that!

**BOARD MEETINGS:** The Hillsdale Homeowner's Association Board of Directors meetings were on the third Tuesday of the month but have changed to secure a reliably available room at the Kings Park Library. Our meetings will now be on the fourth Wednesday of the month, starting with January 27, 2016, in the Supervisor's Meeting Room, at the opposite side from the entrance to the library itself. Since the library is closed on Wednesday evening, entry is only on the other side and not through the library.

**FAREWELL TO HEIDI VESTRE:** The Vestre family has moved to Ohio. We will miss them, and appreciate Heidi's service on the Board.

**ANNUAL INSPECTIONS:** Inspections and reinspections have been done and letters sent; are your repairs complete? Any noted repairs are required to be completed by the specified date, unless you request an extension from SFMC. The next phase is an invitation to a hearing at the board meeting, **and the penalty for noncompliance is removal of parking privileges.**

**HILLSDALE WEBSITE:** While mailings and newsletters will continue to provide information, the website may be more timely. Please remember to **check the website**, and advise a Board member of any updates or additional information that should be posted.

**HOUSE FOR SALE?** Thinking of selling? Maybe you would like a tip or advice to help sale/closing go smoothly? Give the ACC Chair a call or email to request an inspection prior to the requirement for one. Getting work done ahead of time will maybe entice a nice buyer quickly and make closing day occur promptly without an ACC repair delay.

## Halloween Safety Tips

- ▶ Walk on sidewalks.
- ▶ Look both ways before crossing the street.
- ▶ Cross only at corners or in crosswalks, and never between parked cars.
- ▶ Do not talk to strangers, go into homes of people you don't know, or accept rides from strangers.
- ▶ Adults should accompany children, and only visit homes with porch lights on
- ▶ Have flashlights and glow sticks for children and the accompanying adult.
- ▶ Inspect your children's candy before they eat it.
- ▶ Provide a costume that uses bright color and reflective tape so trick or treaters can be seen by drivers.
- ▶ Consider using makeup instead of a mask. This will allow for better visibility.



## GARBAGE GUIDELINES

- ❖ Trash pickup is every Tuesday and Friday.
- ❖ **Recycle pickup is only on Friday.**
- ❖ If you can, use a garbage can or dark trash bags. It will reduce the attacks by birds that scatter the garbage.
- ❖ Larger furniture or electronic items can be picked up on Friday, but you **MUST** call AAA first to coordinate the pickup (contact information is on the front page).
- ❖ You are asked not to place trash and recycle out prior to 5:00 PM the night prior.
- ❖ Please remove trash cans and recycle bins as soon as possible after pickup and put them away in your basement or back yard.

## WINTER TIPS

Preparing for the cold and snow of winter may not be the first thing on your mind, but cold and snow **will** arrive! To prepare, it's a good idea to:

- Buy sand, salt and shovels early--before they vanish from store shelves.
- Turn off outside water, front and back. Drain the hoses and take them inside.
- Consider putting insulation around basement pipes to keep them warm.
- To prevent water pipes from freezing during extremely cold temperatures, open cabinet doors and allow the tap to drip.
- If you plan on traveling for an extended period of time, and you cannot find a "house-sitter," consider turning off your water and draining your pipes to prevent freezing.
- And one way to make the neighborhood look and feel warmer is to leave your lights on at night. It can brighten a gloomy day!

*And while we're on the subject . . .*

### Snow Removal

Hillsdale contracts with Blade Runners, our landscapers, to remove snow from our streets. Blade Runners only ploughs our streets—not the parking spaces, mailboxes, fire hydrants, sidewalks or storm drains. In addition to clearing your parking spots and sidewalk, consider clearing a fire hydrant, mailbox or storm drain—and help your neighbors if possible, as an act of kindness goes a long way!