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NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

WHAT'S UP WITH THE ROADS?

I'm sure by now, almost everyone in the neighborhood is asking this question!

GREAT NEWS!

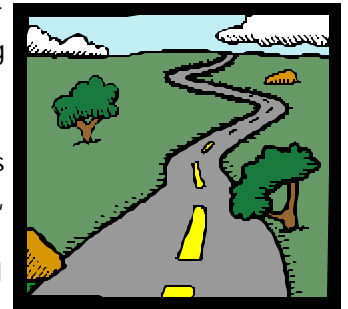
On June 18th I was informed by the Livingston County Road Commission administrator, that we are on the schedule for the week of 6/23/03! The road will be pulverized that week on Wednesday or Thursday, followed by paving on Friday and Saturday or Monday and Tuesday. Two subdivisions are being done at the same time, so the work will alternate and may occur on any of the days listed.

The amount of time that your driveway and the roads will be inaccessible is minimal, several hours at the most.

I also learned that all culverts that pass under the streets will be replaced and the road will be graded to allow water to run off. As you may have noticed, water sits on the streets in several places and contributes to the deterioration of the pavement.

SPECIAL NOTE: If you have in-ground sprinklers, be sure to remove all

sprinkler heads that are within 5 feet of the pavement. It is also recommended that you mark your piping at those points with spray paint, a stake or flag. The road commission will not be held responsible for damage to sprinkling systems that may occur during construction.



If mailboxes are too close, the road commission will remove them,

lay them down and then reinstall them. If you are concerned about your mailbox, you may remove it yourself in advance, and make arrangements for your mail to be held at the post office during the repaving process.

If you have questions regarding the sprinkler issue or any other issues, feel free to send an e-mail to Jody Tedesco at jtedesco@livingstonroads.org. She will be happy to answer your questions.

If you ever had any doubt that your neighborhood association could be of benefit to you, this project should convince you! Without the organization and effort of your association and the people who gave their time, this project most likely would not have occurred. Thank you once again to Mary Ganci and Sara Thomas for their efforts on this major improvement to our neighborhood.

Trish Petrat

MOUNTAIN VIEW NEWS MAKERS

What's happening at your house? Someone going off to college, new baby, grandchild, wedding in the family? If you would like to share your good news, let us know. The intent of our newsletter is to help keep us all connected. So go ahead and brag a little. Contact the editor with the info. After all, we're neighbors!

ALLEN FAMILY DONATION

We were very sorry to learn that Bonnie Allen lost her battle with cancer. Bonnie lived here in Mountain View since 1978 and was one of the original residents. In January 2003, the Mountain View Improvement Association made a donation to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of Michigan. Here is the letter that was sent to the foundation.

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of the neighbors in the Mountain View Subdivision, please accept this donation in the amount of \$50.00 in memory of Bonnie Allen who passed away recently from lymphoma.

Thank you.

Sincerely, Sara E. Thomas - Secretary/Treasurer - Mountain View Improvement Association

Bonnie's daughter, Heather Allen-Kelly is accepting pledges for her participation in the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of Michigan - Detroit Relay Marathon to be held in October 2003. If you would like to make a pledge in memory of Bonnie, please make your check payable to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society of Michigan and mail to:

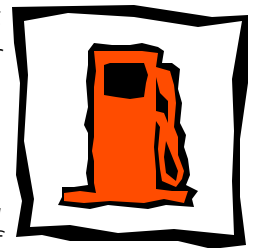
Heather Allen-Kelly

Our thoughts are with the Allen family as they continue their lives without their loved one.

HOME HEATING OIL TANK REMOVAL

Many of the homes in this subdivision were built in the mid-1970s and had oil heating at the time. There wasn't a natural gas line in this area at that point. To accommodate for that, oil tanks were used either outside the house or buried underground. Many houses over the years have had them removed when they were connected to natural gas when it came through or when a family moved to bring the house up to code. Oil heat was very common in Livingston County before the 1970s. (As a teenager, I lived in a house in Howell that had been built in the 1960s that had a tank in the basement. I remember the day when it was removed because the natural gas line had been put in.)

It is important for people to be aware of their own homes' situation. Many have already had tanks removed, however if you think there may be a buried oil tank in your yard, it is vital that it be dealt with. Tanks that may have oil remaining in them will eventually leak over time and become a contaminant to the groundwater that we are dependent upon.



For more information, go to the State of Michigan website at: www.michigan.gov/deq; click on "Land" and then "Storage Tanks". More in-depth information is there to answer questions and to help you if a tank needs removal. You can also call the Environmental Assistance Division at 1-800-552-9278.

Sara Thomas

NEW NEIGHBORS

The Kort family has moved and we would like to welcome to Michael & Renee Green our new neighbors.

Farewell to the Kaplan's and welcome to Mike and Roberta Lawson!

Best Wishes to Kevin and Nancy Mueller in their new home and welcome to Chris and Michele Ford as well as their two sons Alex and Andrew.

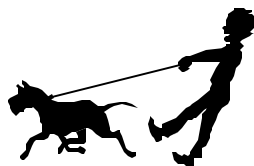
We hope our departed neighbors and friends, as well as our new neighbors, all find their new homes comfortable and neighborhoods inviting!

KIDS KORNER

Do you have a youngster at your house? Would she/he like to earn a little money around the neighborhood? There are lots of services that kids can perform right here at home to help out and earn a little cash at the same time. Take care of pets, water plants, mow the lawn, and get the mail while someone's on vacation. Do we have any good babysitters in our neighborhood? I bet we do. Let me know and I'll add the information to our Kids Korner next time. R. Zahler - Editor

PLEASE...LEASH YOUR DOG!

Apparently this warrants repeating because we still have dogs running the neighborhood.



It is a Township, County and State ordinance that your dog be confined or leashed at all times. Violation of this ordinance is prosecutable in court by simply filing a summons and complaint with the 53rd District Court.

No matter how great you think it is that your dog has the run of the neighborhood, your neighbors do not appreciate this.

NEW DIRECTORY

A new neighborhood directory will be published this fall prior to the annual meeting. Be sure to e-mail or telephone Trish Petrat with all information that you would like included and/or changed. If you're new, and you don't have a directory, please call Sara Thomas. Please refer to page one for e-mail and telephone numbers.

CONSTRUCTION REMINDER



If you're contemplating a summer home improvement project, great!

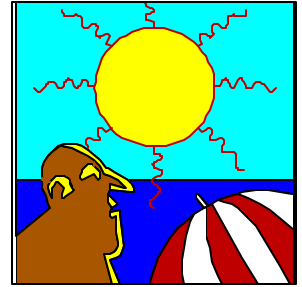
Please remember to contact a member of the Architectural Control Committee prior to the start of construction as required by the deed restrictions. They promise to respond quickly to your requests, so as not to hinder any project!



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Have a safe
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happy summer!!



**See Inside for Important
Information About Our
Road Repaving!**
