



Cleveland Hall Gazette

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Veterans Day:

The Old Hickory Veterans Memorial Park Association has scheduled a Veterans Day Celebration in the Old Hickory Veterans Park at 3:00 PM, November 11th 2012. The Old Hickory Veterans

Park is located in the village across from the Old Hickory Post Office. Come out and show your pride and patriotism and meet some of our local heroes.

The Veterans Memorial Park of Old Hickory is a non-profit organization currently working to honor all men and women from the 37138 zip code who have served this country in one of the armed forces. Each Memorial Day and Veterans Day we take time to honor these men and women in a ceremony at the park. This project would not be possible without the help of many contributors. We are always seeking monetary help. To donate, contact:

Veterans Memorial Park
P.O. Box 243
Old Hickory, Tennessee 37138-0243
615-847-6382
email: administrator@ohvmp.org



Referrals:

If you have a contractor, handyman or someone that does work around your home, we would like to

obtain their Business name and phone number to add to our "preferred" vendor referral list. These individuals have proven themselves to other homeowners in the neighborhood. So if the vendor has completed good work for you and you would like to recommend them, please forward their information to a board member.



The Presidential election is upon us. As Americans we have the right and responsibility to vote for the candidate of our choice. There are numerous reasons to vote from, it is our right to it is our responsibility to do so. We hope you will get out and vote this election season whether it is during early voting or on election day. You can go to the Davidson County Election commission for information on when and where to vote.

New Management Company.

Effective 1 November 2012 Cleveland Hall will change from Sentry Management Company to Gertner Management Company. The board has taken some time in evaluating and interviewing several Management Companies to ensure we receive not only the best service but also a company that has tools that will help us move in the right direction. Sentry has been our management company since the Cleveland Hall Homeowners Association began.

They have helped the board and neighborhood get to where we are and given guidance when needed. We want to thank Sentry for their partnership and especially to Kathy Holbrook who has been there with us and assisted us in the daily, weekly, and monthly challenges. We wish her the best.



Energy-saving fall ideas

Fall is the time to get your house sealed up and ready for the cold. Caulk around windows and doors. This will keep the chilly air and bugs out, and keep the heat in. Although caulking is something newer homes might not require, all homeowners should be checking weather-stripping and door sweeps.

Other energy saving maintenance ideas for the fall include:

Installing ceiling fans can help homeowners save on heating bills and make themselves more comfortable. The fan should be set to force the hot air from the ceiling.

Using a hot water heater blanket.

Insulating and wrapping pipes.

Checking the attic insulation and adding more if necessary.

Replacing windows, which, if you can afford it now, can really help save with energy costs.

Solicitation:

Please remember that solicitation in Cleveland Hall is not allowed. If a solicitor comes to your door, please inform them that they are not permitted on the property and there are signs to that affect.

Animals Running Loose.



The board is continuing to receive complaints about dogs and cats running free in the neighborhood. As stated several times in the newsletter, there are regulations in the Cleveland

Hall bylaws and Metro codes that regulate what we can and should do as pet owners. Please respect your neighbors and keep track of your pets and obey the law.

Please contact Metro Animal Control if you have issues with a neighbor's pet.

Please respect your neighbors and keep control of your pets.



Yard Sale / Community Picnic

The annual Cleveland Hall community yard sale will be held on Saturday

October 13th from 8:00AM till 2:00 PM and the Cleveland Hall community picnic will be held on Sunday, October 14th from 4:00PM till 6:00 PM in the community picnic and playground area. The Homeowners Association will furnish the drinks, hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, and condiments. We ask that the homeowners bring a favorite side dish or dessert. We hope that the neighborhood will take advantage of the yard

sale and be able to attend the picnic to fellowship with their neighbors. Hope to see you all there.



Councilman's Corner:

Councilman Darren Jernigan has created a forum for the people of District 11 to discuss their thoughts, feelings, and ideas. The list-serve has been a success, as over 100 citizens have signed up to discuss topics and gain information he posts such as the Hermitage Most Wanted, Department Newsletters, etc... sign up here:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/district11publicforum/>

Fall cleaning: Tips for getting your house ready for winter.

When the first warm breezes start to wind their way through the county, a lot of people throw open their windows, roll up their sleeves and dig in for a big spring cleaning. What feels better than freshening up the house after a long winter stuck inside? Except maybe, to do a thorough house cleaning before that cold season spent indoors. There's plenty of household tasks that it just makes sense to tackle in a fall, including some regular maintenance jobs. If you're going to spend the majority of time over the next seven months inside, why not make it a comfortable, energy-efficient and organized one?

Fall cleanup

Any deep cleaning you didn't get to this spring should probably be done this fall, such as:

Turning over your mattress and washing all of your bedding, including comforters and blankets.

Getting your carpets professionally cleaned. Think of all the sand and grass clippings that have been walked in on your flip-flops this summer.

Cleaning your windows, inside and out, including in between the sills. Many new windows have UV filters and aren't supposed to be cleaned with glass cleaners. Instead, use microfiber towels. Get them at the dollar store. "Take a microfiber cloth and get it damp with warm water. Wipe the window, then use a dry microfiber cloth to dry it.

Cleaning your house from top to bottom, focusing on public rooms such as the living room, family room, entryway and guest bath.

Get out the vacuum. Vacuum the drapes, window treatments, baseboards and in the corners. Move furniture and vacuum beneath and behind it. Vacuum upholstered furniture, or have professionally cleaned if needed. Pull the refrigerator away from the wall, and vacuum the condenser coils. For bottom-mounted coils, use a long, narrow brush to clean coils of dust and debris.

Home maintenance

Before the chilly weather of fall begins, make sure your furnace is tuned up for the winter and change the filter. Homeowners with a fireplace should check the flue and have the fireplace cleaned if it is wood burning.

Fall is also a good time to have your air ducts cleaned. One of the biggest must-do tasks of the season is to clean your home's gutters. If you don't clean out your gutters, you run the risk of water building up in them during cold weather. This can cause "ice damming," "That will ruin a roof." It's also a great time to install gutter protectors that keep debris, like falling leaves, out of the gutters.

Other home maintenance tasks for the fall include:

Examining your chimney for any damage.

Covering up your air conditioning unit to protect it from ice and snow.

Putting away summer equipment, such as outdoor tables and chairs, umbrellas, grills and children's toys. Touching up paint on and decks, trim and railings. Use a wire brush to remove flaking paint; prime bare wood first.

Draining and storing garden hoses.

Install insulating covers on exterior spigots and have sprinkler systems blown free of water.

Inspecting washing machine hoses for bulges, cracks or splits. Replace them every other year.

Check the dryer exhaust tube and vent for built-up lint, debris or birds' nests.

Make sure the exterior vent door closes tightly when not in use.

Beware of bugs

You will find more cobwebs in homes in the fall, because the spiders are coming in to get out of the cold. Bugs and mice are looking for a warm place to stay for the winter. It's probably a good time to look for rotted, cracked or damaged wood around the house, which is the perfect entrance for critters into your home. A lot of people neglect the wood. "Look at the trim around the garage door. It's typically weathered at the bottom. Wood is like a straw. It sucks the water up." That causes rot, splitting and damage. It's important to keep wood on a home painted, sealed and caulked. Replace wood trim with PVC material trim that requires no maintenance and can be painted. "Keep the water out and make sure the house is sealed well.

Information:

Cleveland Hall Board members:

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615-269-7016 ext 204

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Street lights:

If you notice a street light that is out, please notify one of the board members listed above.

The Cleveland Hall News letter will be distributed electronically and it will be posted on our web site. If you have not provided an email address to receive an e-mail copy, please forward your email address to any one of the board members.

Thank you.

Metro Police

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Non-emergency	862-8600
<i>Precincts:</i>	
Central	862-7611
East	862-7600
Hermitage	880-1776
North	862-4410
South	862-7744
West	862-7747

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Emergency	911
Non-emergency	862-8585

Other

Dept. of Public Works	862-8750
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Office of the Mayor	862-6000

From The Editor:

If you have any items that you would like included or suggestions to improve please contact any board member.