

Neighborhood News

Turnberry
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WATER SMART PLEDGE FOR LAWNS

Feed Regularly- Feeding, especially during spring and fall, will strengthen your lawn and save water. Trying to revive undernourished turf with only water is a waste.

Mow High - Most people cut their lawn too short. Set your mower to its highest or second-highest setting to encourage deep roots and effective use of moisture already in the soil.

Keep Clippings - Bagging grass clippings wastes time, water and nutrients. Let the clippings stay on your lawn to help it thrive. If you mow WEEKLY, you can do this.

Clean Up - Sweep fertilizer and grass clippings back onto your lawn from driveways, sidewalks and curbs. It's good for your grass and keeps nutrients out of rivers, lakes and streams.

Conserve Water - Your lawn will begin to wilt when water is needed. As much as possible, take advantage of nature's sprinkler and rely on the rain to water your lawn.

VIOLATION CORNER

During the time you own a property, you should take advantage of every opportunity to increase its value -- and ultimately its sales price. The best money you can spend on a property is for minor cosmetic improvements. In most cases, the improvement with the highest payback is simply paint, small repairs, and a beautiful yard. The right paint/repair job can take years off the exterior of a home...and a neighborhood. These improvements can make a big difference in the overall appearance of our neighborhood. With this in mind, The Board committed to our annual Spring Inspection in April. Courtesy letters were put in mailboxes. In the beginning of May, a second inspection was performed to see if folks had committed to their personal repairs. Those not in compliance were sent a letter by Holloway Management. Repairs not resolved by the end of May will be scheduled for a Hearing to be held in June. They will be notified by Holloway.

ANNUAL MEETING SATURDAY MAY 31st

10am. To be held in the front yard of 4036 Huntmeadow Drive. Please bring your own lawn chair. If it rains, please go to 4030 Mozart Court.

CARIBBEAN FRUIT SALSA

This three-fruit salsa is sweet and spicy at the same time. It makes a wonderful accompaniment to grilled fish or chicken, is perfect served with tortilla chips, and can even be served with granola and yogurt for breakfast!

INGREDIENTS

- 1 cup diced fresh mango
- 1/2 cup diced fresh pineapple
- 1/2 cup diced papaya
- 1 fresh jalapeno pepper, seeded and minced
- 1/2 medium red onion, finely diced
- 3 tablespoons lime juice
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 1 teaspoon salt, or to taste
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh mint



DIRECTIONS

Toss together the mango, pineapple, papaya, jalapeno pepper, and red onion in a bowl. Pour in the lime juice and olive oil. Season to taste with salt, and stir to combine. Sprinkle with chopped mint leaves before serving.

KEEPING TURNBERRY GREEN

It's that time of year again to get your yard back into shape!

Weeds and Grub damage should be taken care of and new grass seed should be in place. Make sure flower beds and mulched areas are free from unsightly landscape fabric, and are covered in new mulch. Remove all dead bushes and trees, and replace all necessary landscape removed. A fresh coat of paint on mailboxes and lamp posts will put the curb appeal back into your house.

Make your yard the best in the neighborhood by applying Weed and Feed yard fertilizer, and Grub-Ex to keep the grub beetles from destroying your yard.

YARD OF THE MONTH

Don't forget--we will be scouting the neighborhood again for the Turnberry Yard of the Month winners! At the end of each month you can nominate your neighbors by contacting one of the HOA board members. Win a \$20 gift certificate to Farm Fresh on the corner of Old Ridge and Prosperity. June's winner will be announced at the annual. Signs are placed in the winner's yard the first of each month. May's winner was **6033 Edinmeadow**.

CURB APPEAL

Real estate experts all agree that curb appeal is one of the easiest ways to make your house stand out. A well groomed and maintained house can not only lead to a fast sell, but also help get you top dollar asking prices.

Here are some of the experts advise on how to clean up your curb appeal:

- Kill mold and mildew on the house, sidewalks, roof, or driveway.
- Stow away unnecessary garden implements and tools.
- Clean windows and gutters.
- Pressure wash dirty siding and dingy decks.
- Edge sidewalks and remove vegetation growing between concrete or bricks.
- Mow the lawn WEEKLY. Get rid of weeds.
- Rake and dispose of leaves, even if your lot is wooded.
- Trim tree limbs that are near or touching the home's roof.

A fresh coat of paint on mailboxes and lamp posts will also put the curb appeal back into your house.



Please remember to fill out an ARC Form for any improvements or color changes to your home.

CHARLOTTE NEWS

The rain is starting to add up, but mandatory water restrictions are still in place for all of Mecklenburg County. Here are the rules according to Charneck.org

- * Lawn watering and the operation of any sprinkler system are prohibited except once a week Saturday for odd number houses and Sunday for even houses.
- * Residential car washing
- * The operation of ornamental fountains (without fish) is not allowed.

TURNBERRY NEWS

We have had several problems on Huntmeadow Dr. with emergency vehicles not being able to travel down the street due to cars being parked on both sides of the road. Please remember that someone's life could be at stake if EMS, Police or Fire are unable to get through! The next time you have a party, or park on the street please make sure all cars are parked facing the direction of travel, and on only one side of the road.

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