



POINT OF WOODS

COMMUNITY NEWS LETTER



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Monday, April 4 - 7pm
@AMV OFFICE

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@CENTRAL LIBRARY

Monday, June 6 - 7pm

POINT OF WOODS COMMUNITY GARDEN PLOTS NOW AVAILABLE!

The Point of Woods Community Garden is now open for the 2016 growing season.

If you or someone you know wants to rent a garden plot, please go to www.pointofwoodshoa.com to get the 2016 application. All applications and payment should be returned to Nikki Ebert at 8499 Stonewall Rd. She is handling all applications and taking payment for the gardens. Payment should be in check form

If you would like more info www.pointofwoodshoa.com/garden.html or email nikki@pointofwoodshoa.com.

The garden is not just for POW 1 & 2 residents so if

you know someone outside the community, let them know they are welcome.

Garden plots are \$25 for POW 1 & 2 residents and \$30 for anyone outside our HOA. The money collected will be used to pay for the water supply and other garden needs.

Checks can be made payable to Point of Woods 1 & 2. You will be assigned a plot once your application and payment are received.



Contact Information:

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Manassas, VA 20109

After Hours Emergency:
(703) 530-1550

Point of Woods Website
www.pointofwoodshoa.com

Neighborhood Watch
stopcrime@pointofwoodshoa.com

Manassas City Police
(703) 257-8000

POW COMMUNITY CLEANUP & YARD SALE

Spring is here and that means its time for spring cleaning.

The spring community cleanup and yard sale is scheduled for the weekend of April 16th. Two dump trucks will be brought in for any trash that you might want to

get rid of before, during, or after the yard sale.

We encourage everyone to take this opportunity to get rid of junk from inside and outside of their homes.

The dump trucks will arrive on Fri. April 15th and the yard sale will be Satur-

day April 16th and Sunday April 17th.

This year the yard sale will be set up on the 3-acre field.

Check the website for information or email Nikki at nikki@pointofwoodshoa.com.

Scoop Your Dog's Poop!

It's Your Responsibility

We would like to remind everyone that cleaning up your dogs waste is your responsibility and it's the law. Police officers can and will ticket you if they see you leaving dog waste behind and you will have to go to court to pay fines.



Not only is it gross, it's also contributing to the rat problem in our community. So please pick up after your dogs and dispose of it in a covered container until trash day. **This includes your back yards.**

TRASH CONTAINERS



All trash containers should be stored in your back yard with a tight fitting lid. They may not be stored in alleys or on the side of your home.

All city trash carts have a serial number on them. If you are unsure if you have the correct cart you can find a list serial numbers on our website. You are encouraged to label your trash can with your address.

We are seeing a lot of trash being blown into common areas due to unsecured trash. **Notices will be sent to anyone that improperly stores their trash containers.**

TURN ON YOUR PORCH LIGHTS

We have some very dark courts in our neighborhood and the only way to light them up is for everyone to use their porch lights.

In Manassas City it only costs about \$1.73 PER MONTH to keep a 60 watt porch light lit for 12 hours a day. Well worth it to keep our neighborhood safe.

In addition, if you know of any street lights that are blown out or flickering you may contact Public Works directly or send us an email and we'll handle it.

Also, neighborhood watch needs members! If you are interested in participating, please email us at stopcrime@pointofwoodshoa.com.

KEEP GRAFFITI OUT OF POW

If you see graffiti anywhere the first thing you should do is report it to the police. If the graffiti is on your property or fence, you will be responsible for having it cleaned.

If it's on HOA property, such as playgrounds, please notify the police and let us know ASAP. The faster it is cleaned up, the less likely it will be to show up again.

HHWaste & E-Waste Drop Off Days

The City of Manassas offers a drop off for your **household hazardous waste** (used paint, old chemicals, batteries, etc.) and **e-waste** (TVs, computer monitors and other electronics) at the Manassas Transfer Station, 8305 Quarry Road, on these **Saturdays, 8:00 a.m. to 12p.m. only. This is a free service provided for Manassas City residents.**

2016 Drop Off Dates

Saturday, April 2 + Shredding!
Saturday, May 7
Saturday June 4
Saturday July 9 + Shredding
Saturday, August 6
Saturday, September 3
Saturday, October 1
Saturday, November 5 + Shredding!

YARD SALE RULES

We want to make it clear to **everyone that yard sales are not permitted in your yard or in any other common areas at any time. There are no exceptions.**

We do not allow yard sales in yards because this causes problems with traffic and in the parking lots.

The City allows two yard sales per

home per year and our community yard sales are in May and Sept. This is the only time yard sales are permitted at designated locations.

We do advertise for these yard sales so we encourage you to take advantage of them.

Please contact the board with any questions.

RAT CONTROL

The HOA has a contract with Orkin for rat control. However, we need residents to do their part to prevent them as well.

All trash must be stored in a closed container in your yard until trash day. If you have dogs, pick up their waste even if its in your yard. Also, keep in mind that bird feeders can attract rats as well. Please alert us if you think there is a problem ASAP.

Trash, Recycling, and Yard Waste Guidelines

8 tips to ensure items at curb are picked up

The City of Manassas is fortunate to have excellent trash, recycling and yard waste service. Sometimes we take that service for granted. We think if we drag anything we don't want to the curb, it will get picked up. That is not the case. The City does have some basic rules for residents to follow. These rules ensure the safety of the men and women who work as haulers, and they keep our City curb appeal to a high standard. Here are eight tips to ensure your trash, re-cycling and yard waste are picked up promptly. **Remember Manassas City and the HOA ARE citing homeowners for violations.**

1. Use the correct container. It's simple: Recycling goes in the dark green cart provided by the City. Trash goes in your own trash receptacle, preferably a sturdy can with a tight fitting lid. Yard waste goes in your own receptacle (not the recycle cart) or biodegradable paper bags available for purchase at local hard-ware, home improvement or grocery retailers.

2. Do not overload containers. If you can't pick up a recycle cart full of heavy magazines or glass bottles yourself, do not expect a recycler to be able to pick up the container either. Same with trash. If your receptacle is so full you can't get the lid closed, use another container. For yard waste, split up heavy grass clippings between paper bags or cans.

3. Set out bulk items correctly. Bulk items like stoves, washers or furniture may be set out for regular trash collection. **TVs or computers must be taken to the household hazardous waste collection site (see schedule below).** Call the Manassas Trash Line at 703-257-8252 to set out a refrigerator, freezer, dehumidifier or air conditioner. These items need special handling due to the EPA regulations for Freon. For safety, City code requires doors to be taken off these items. A fine may occur if they are not.

4. Stick to the construction debris limit. Residents are limited to one cubic yard (3 feet x 3 feet x 3 feet) per week. Large amounts may be taken to the Manassas Transfer Station (\$10 for first 300 pounds, prorated on \$72 per ton after that) or residents may rent the City's courtesy truck for \$75.

5. DO NOT USE PLASTIC BAGS FOR YARD WASTE. Grass clippings, leaves and other yard-waste that is put in plastic garbage bags will not be picked up curbside. Yard waste must be in a receptacle (not the recycle cart) or biodegradable paper bags.

Use paper bags **NO PLASTIC!**
Usar bolsas de papel
NO PONER COSAS DE PLASTICO!



DO NOT SET YARD WASTE OUT LIKE THIS!
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Branches should be 4ft or less and bundled
Las ramas deben ser cortadas de 4 pies de altura o menos y deberan estar atadas.



6. Cut and tie larger limbs with heavy string. Large piles of tree limbs dragged to the street will not be picked up. You must cut them into manageable pieces – four feet or less – and either put them in a receptacle or biodegradable paper bag or tie them in neat bundles with heavy string.

7. Do not set out too early. If you work in your yard throughout the week, do not set yard waste at the curb until Sunday evening. Yard waste is picked up on Mondays only. If you clean out your house and have a lot of trash, do not set it out at the curb until the evening before pickup.

8. Do not set out too late. If the trash hauler comes at 6:30 am and you put out the trash at 7 am when you leave for work, it is still going to be sitting at the curb when you get home from work that evening. If you can't get up and put the trash out before the trash hauler comes in the morning, set trash out the night before. Don't set it out too early. Any-time after 4 pm is okay.

Questions? Call the Manassas Trash Line at 703-257-8252 or email Nikki Ebert at nikki@pointofwoodshoa.com.

REMEMBER TO READ YOUR HOA NEWS LETTERS FOR IMPORTANT INFORMATION!