

Afton Downs Community News



A publication for the homeowners and renters of the Afton Downs Subdivision – February 2005

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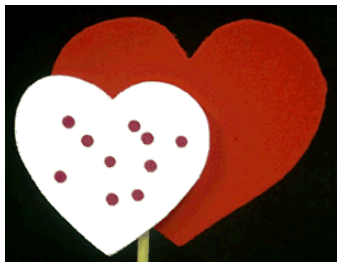
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Happy Valentine's Day!

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Feedback?

The Afton Downs Community News is published as needed for the residents of the subdivision. Your feedback and comments are welcomed and appreciated.

To submit story ideas or comments, please contact Fara at faragindin@yahoo.com

Hello, Everyone!

Happy New Year!

We trust you and your family enjoyed a safe and happy holiday. The weather kept us from writing to you in the last couple of months but we are back and ready for business!

We would like to inform you about a **referendum coming up on March 15, 2005 for Smyrna voters**. Please plan on voting that day to improve our parks and sidewalks and to build new parks, one of which will include a dog park! All these efforts from the City **will definitely increase our property values**....but you have got to vote!

Please visit our Web site at www.aftondowns.com for all the details on which parks the City is planning to improve or add and how that affects you. Also, please share the news with anyone you know who lives in Smyrna.

Thank you for your support.



Getting Ready for Spring!

Getting ready for Spring means checking your:

1 - GUTTERS

Gutters and downspouts must be cleaned annually to clear debris and keep water flowing freely. If water is allowed to back up in gutters, it will eventually back up underneath the roof and create rot and leaks.

2 - ROOF

A qualified roofer should inspect your roof every other year. Your roofer should check for loose, cracked or blistered felt and loose or cracked wooden/asphalt shingles.

3 - DRIVEWAYS

Clear-out any old or wet leaves, sweep and wash your driveway; persistent stains may require pressure wash (see ad for Edmund Rudell Pressure Washing Services). In some cases, you also may need to repair cement cracks in your driveway and give it a good seal coating.

4 - SIDING

If you're siding is looking bad, now is the time for pressure-washing, removing rotted sections, and painting (please read Covenants on painting and choosing paint colors specific to our community). If you have vinyl siding, a quick wash with House Bright (purchased at Home Depot) will do the trick in refreshing the look of your siding. If mildew is persistent, you may need to have it pressure washed. Please do the same for your front wooden steps and railings.

5 - LAWNCARE

Now more than ever, you want to start cleaning your flower beds, laying down some mulch, and fertilizing your lawn. (See ad for Percy Zachary Lawn Care Services)

6 - AND, GETTING RID OF TRASH

Many of you have started work on exterior wooden steps and rails sometime ago and left the debris in your front lawn; that is NOT acceptable. The City of Smyrna will be called on those incidents and you WILL be fined. Please discard all trash and junk from your front yard or front porch as neither is a trash can or dumpster.

Please get your house ready for the Afton Downs Spring 2005 survey!

Neighborhood Classifieds!

For your convenience, we currently are posting ads on our Website of folks who provide miscellaneous services in Afton Downs. Below are a few ads that might be helpful to you. To place an ad, please contact Fara Gindin at faragindin@yahoo.com. All ads are free and will be posted at the discretion of the Homeowners Association. Please note that by posting these ads, the Homeowners Association does not accept responsibility whatsoever for the workmanship of these individuals or for any of the services rendered.



NEIGHBORHOOD PRESSURE WASHING SERVICES!

If you want to get rid of the grime, dirt and mold-like film that wet and rotted leaves have left on your siding, deck or driveway, now is the perfect time to do it.

Get your house and driveway cleaned and ready for Spring and Summer with Edmund's pressure washing services!

Be sure to call or email **Edmund**, your neighborhood pressure washing pro, at **678-613-4321** or via e-mail at edsbay@hotmail.com for pricing and to schedule an appointment.



NEIGHBORHOOD MAID/HOUSE CLEANING SERVICES!

Too busy to clean house?

End your worries; simply place a quick call to Ruth and your house will be cleaned efficiently and affordably!

Be sure to call Ruth at **RT House Cleaning Service** at **770-919-7168** or via e-mail at ruthtucker@yahoo.com

NEIGHBORHOOD LAWN CARE SERVICES!

Finding it difficult to cut the grass?

Leave it to Percy Zachary and his crew to do it for you!

Percy has been cutting grass, trimming bushes and providing various lawn care services in Afton Downs for many years and comes highly recommended by several Afton Downs residents. And he is affordable!

Maintaining your front and backyards are a requirement in Afton Downs and for all City of Smyrna Residents; Percy's lawn care services can help you abide by these covenants.

Be sure to call **Percy Zachary** at **404-992-0272** to schedule an appointment or stop by and talk to him when you see his truck in Afton Downs.

P.S. Be considerate of your neighbors! On the week-ends, please do not start the lawnmower or any motorized lawn equipment until well AFTER 11:00 a.m. when everyone has had the chance to wake up.



For Your Information!

The 2005 Spring Survey is coming up starting mid-March!

Please be sure that your property is in compliance with Afton Down Covenants and City of Smyrna codes. All properties not in compliance will be informed; if the problems are not addressed, the homeowners/properties will be reported to Smyrna City Building Engineer and/or relating city enforcement departments.