

MARCH 2013 MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

As we march into March, I hope all is well with the residents of Shady Shores. I notice that some of the trees are budding and the rose bushes are showing life. That can only mean that spring is just around the corner. I do not think we can rule out a few more cold snaps. However, I believe the planting season is here and the gardens need tending. Isn't this a great time of year to live in Shady Shores? I relish the move from winter to spring and daylight savings time. I guess the only down side is the weeds have already decided to stake their claims to our yards. (Hello, Round Up).

Speaking of spring and our lovely town, I implore you not to deposit litter or debris on our roads. It seems like the bar ditches have magnets and attract all types of refuse. Remember, our nuisance ordinance regulates the cleanup of these areas in front of your residence. I hope you will comply with this ordinance and pick up the litter. There will be a spring cleanup on April 6th for those areas of town that do not abut up to a residential property. The Town will be seeking volunteers. Please check the website and your email address for notification. The Keep Shady Shores Beautiful Committee has declared the month of April as a time to comply with their namesake and KEEP SHADY SHORES BEAUTIFUL. There will be many events during the month to promote Earth Day and town cleanliness. In addition, we will have a community garage sale on May 4th.

This month's council meeting is on March the 4th at 7:00PM. The council will consider an award to the low bidder regarding road construction. If a contract is awarded, work will begin immediately on Oakwood Circle and West Shady Shores. This will create some inconvenience for the residents during the work process. There may be possible detours for a brief time. We will keep you informed as the project start-up date nears. Also, the council will consider approval of a new sign ordinance and resolution for placement of public service signs around town. If this new ordinance passes, it will limit the number of garage sales that Shady Shores residents can have. After passage, only two sales per year will be allowed. Later in the Month, we will have a Planning and Zoning meeting and a joint KSSB and CEC meeting. Watch the website and email for dates and times.

Currently, our code enforcement officer is concentrating on properties that contain structures that are fire hazards. He will be issuing citations asking property owners to bring their properties up to code. I hope you understand the town's position regarding these fire hazards. The code officer will be happy to speak to those in violation to explain what is needed to bring the structure into compliance.

In conclusion, our general election is on May 11, 2013. Early voting will begin on April 29th. You can check our website or bulletin board for the times and sites. Voting on Election Day will be from 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. The following candidates are running for mayor: Gerald Marshall and current Mayor Pro-Tem, Cindy Spencer. Place 2 Alderman Candidates are Paul Brown, Matthew Haines and Paula Woolworth. Place 3 Alderman Candidates are Athena Stolzer, Mike

Thompson, Deborah Haus and Patty Durkin. We have some wonderful candidates running. I truly hope that you will register to vote and then exercise that right.

Have a wonderful March. I am available each day after 3:00 P.M.

Your Mayor