

10/9/2024

Good Afternoon Ransom Oaks Residents,
We hope that you are enjoying the beautiful fall weather!

Association Updates

The ROCC Board and management company are busy prioritizing projects, getting estimates and budgeting for next year.

You may see increased activity behind the Greenwood clubhouse as we construct a shelter. There is no space to store furniture or other supplies at this location, so this addition will warehouse those items and double as a picnic pavilion in the summer. Contractors will also be performing maintenance in the Greenwood pump room to fix and waterproof the space.

The October Board meeting was moved from Oct 21st to October 28th. Meetings are held at the Greenwood clubhouse at 6:30pm. You can find the schedule and meeting minutes on the website www.ransomoaks.com

The Annual Membership Meeting will be held on January 13th at 6:30pm. Location details will be shared soon. If you are interested in serving the community as a Board member or would like to nominate someone, please fill out the attached nomination form and send in by November 15, 2024. There are 9 Board of Directors, 3 Directors are up for election each year and each Director term is 3 years.

As a reminder, Ransom Oaks does not allow signs to be posted with the exception of real estate signs (single family homes only) check your sub-community rules if not a single family home.

Town of Amherst Leaf Pickup Facts

Please use this sheet as a reference for how to properly recycle and reuse fall materials commonly placed out in front of neighborhood homes. If you have any further questions, please call the Town at 716-631-7117.

- **Can I rake leaves into the street? No!** It's unsafe and illegal, it plugs curbside receivers, and it creates traffic hazards from cars avoiding them in the street. They are also harder to pick up after many tires have driven over them. Please leave your leaves on the area between the sidewalk and the curb (or adjacent to the roadway for those without sidewalks) and the Highway Department will pick them up.
- **How many times do you go through the town?** Leaf pick-up usually starts sometime in late October and continues into December. The Highway Department will go through the town as often as necessary to pick up the leaves.
- **Why can't you schedule leaf pick-up?** Our town is 54 square miles and has over 1300 streets, because of the size of Amherst we have divided the massive task of leaf pick-up into town wide districts. Weather conditions especially in November don't allow us to have scheduled pick-ups, if there is an early snowfall or wind storm our priorities may change.
- **How much of our Highway Department resources are put into leaf pick-up?** During leaf season it's "all hands on deck". We have 5 leaf districts. Each district is staffed with people and equipment each day of the season. Since leaf collection is a priority in November other jobs have to be put off until leaves are picked up before the first snowfall.
- **Should I call the Highway to get my leaves picked up?** Generally, no. If you think you were missed call 631-7117. Please remember we do have equipment break downs, wind storms or snow that may delay leaf pick-up, however, **our goal is to get all the leaves picked up by November 30th**. This helps us immensely in preparation for snow season.
- **One last thing....**Leaves can also be placed in yard waste containers or paper leaf bags for weekly pick-up from April 1st to November 30th by Modern Disposal.

WILDLIFE-DEER

Residents asked us to share:

This year the deer took an extraordinary toll on our gardens. Please do not feed the deer as it exacerbates the problem. You may not be aware, but it is illegal to feed deer in NYS. The following is clipped from the New York State Dept. of Environmental Conservation website:

“It is illegal to intentionally feed wild deer or moose in New York. Feeding of white-tailed deer causes unnatural concentrations near the food source, which can lead to ecological damage, damage to property, and an increased risk of transmission of disease between deer.”

Check out this Ransom Oaks Resident Group!

Ransom Oaks “Knit Wits”



Tuesdays 6:30pm -8:30pm

Starting 9/24, 2024

Ransom Oak Club House

2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month

This group is a drop in “social knitting and crocheting group”. Whether you always wanted to learn and have never held a needle or hook or are an experienced crafter, you are welcome. We are hoping to get some experienced people who are willing to share their talents and teach others. If you are new to crocheting Karen will teach a basic crochet stitch and you can make either a baby blanket or a pumpkin during the 1st few group meetings. Please text Karen (716-481-1888) for recommended supplies needed.

