

Turtle Creek

Community Newsletter

December, 2007



Thank you, **Bob Golota**, for the many years you set out event signs at our entrances! That job will now be picked up by **Tom Glossop**, who we thank for painting the entrance bridges. **Christine Pickering** has agreed to maintain the Turtle Creek Website. ☆ We appreciate our volunteers! ☆



Happy holidays!

Coming in 2008...a revamped Turtle Creek Website!

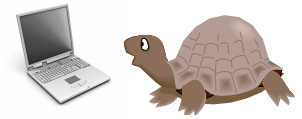
Look for it at:

www.turtlecreeknovi.com

WELCOME TO TURTLE CREEK!



Albert & Elisa Lombariti
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The Turtle Creek Board of Directors is still awaiting a response from the City Attorney regarding City ownership of property around the retention pond.

We're told a letter should be forthcoming.



NEIGHBOR-TO-NEIGHBOR

Need a handyperson? The Spellmans had a good experience with Joel Wilson of Structure Home Improvement (734) 729-2486.

Have a service provider to recommend to your neighbors? Email info to cherish@twmi.rr.com and watch for the listing on our web site.

- ✓ Recycle your tree at one of ten Oakland County parks from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Dec. 26 to Jan. 13. Closest to us are Glen Oaks Golf Course in Farmington Hills and Lyon Oaks Park in Lyon Township. Landfill-destined trees can be put out with the trash on Fridays.
- ✓ It's been windy lately – putting lighter things underneath heavier items in trash and recycling bins will help prevent nomadic garbage. Thank you!
- ✓ The City of Novi requires dogs and cats to be on a leash when outdoors.



DECORATE YOUR HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS!

THE THREE MOST FESTIVE HOMES (AS DETERMINED BY OUR JUDGES ON 12/22) WILL EACH WIN A \$25 HOME DEPOT GIFT CARD!

We would like to establish an email distribution list for our subdivision. Please send your preferred email address(es) for this use to your Turtle Creek Newsletter Editor: Sherrie Konkus at cherish@twmi.rr.com. Thanks to those who have already done so!



Do 1 Thing...Emergency Supplies

A calendar with detailed suggestions urging us to “Do 1 Thing” each month to become better prepared can be accessed at <http://www.do1thing.us/calendar.html>. Here are some suggestions for supplies to have on hand to make emergency situations a little easier to cope with.

The Goal: Be prepared to handle emergencies without outside assistance for 72 hours.

During an emergency, a small tool kit containing some important items will go a long way in making any situation easier to handle. Determine the type of kit to make, then look around the house for supplies that you already have on hand. Here are some specific of emergency supply kits that are simple to create using just a few items:

- **Sanitation kit** – moist towelettes, garbage bags, toilet paper, waterless hand cleaner
- **Breathing protection kit** – dust masks, plastic sheeting, duct tape
- **Cooking kit** – waterproof matches, a manual can opener, paper plates, plastic utensils, a small pot or pan, portable grill or camp stove (never use indoors!)
- **Lighting kit** – windup flashlight, car cigarette lighter rechargeable lantern, extra batteries, or light sticks
- **Basic tool kit**– hammer, wrench, utility knife, screwdriver, nails
- **Medical kit**- extra prescription medication, band-aids, pain relievers, antacids, vitamins, first aid kit
- **Communication kit** – phone with cord (landline phone), prepaid calling card, car charger for cell phone, important contact numbers.
- **Pet kit** - an **additional** leash with collar, and identification tags, verification of rabies and other vaccinations, registration or adoption papers, supply of prescription medication, a crate or carrier appropriate to your pet’s size, special dietary food (if needed), pet sweater or blanket (especially if your pet can not tolerate cold temperatures). Consider micro-chipping and enrolling your pet in a recovery database.
- **Other** - may include a whistle to signal for help, battery-powered radio, local maps and important documents, such as insurance policy numbers.

Stash Some Cash for Emergencies

Without power, ATM machines will not work. Grocery and other stores, if open, will not be able to accept your credit or debit card. Cash may be the only acceptable means to make a purchase. Some experts advise having at least \$150 in cash on hand. Realizing this may not be possible, any amount is good to start with. Stash a little away each week and build up your emergency financial reserves over time.