



# The Hearth

Hearthstone Board

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631 Water Meade Place

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## A Note from the President

12 years ago I approached our Board of Directors asking why do we have a Board of Directors and what good is the association? With very little effort they were able to convince me the worth of the association and how it helps to keep our property value at its' best. It takes money and time to make it happen and I am very PROUD of how well our Board of directors manages both. With that said, it is with a heavy heart I announce that I will be leaving Hearthstone and Fort Wayne. I really love this neighborhood. I was privileged to co-chair the Northwest Area Partnership for neighborhoods for two years and to hear some of the nightmares other associations are having helps me to realize just how blessed this association really is. God bless all of you! You will always be in my prayers. I plan to stay on the board until my house is sold. Only God knows how long that will be. Thank you for the support you have given to the board. Please continue to do so and if you really want to know what is going on in YOUR neighborhood, attend some or all of the board meetings.

Denny McCoy - Hearthstone Village Community Association President



## GOOD ADVICE TO OUR WALKERS, JOGGERS & BIKERS

**WALKERS;** Add some aerobic exercise to your walk. Bend over and pick up fallen branches that may cause a tripping hazard to others, along our walkways. Toss them into the woods. While your at it, toss branches and other debris in the grassy areas that may affect our lawn cutting equipment. This will add to your exercising experience, and make our walkways safer. **JOGGERS;** Be aware of fallen limbs along the walkway (it's good exercise for you too, to stop and clear the path. Also, during this Fall Season, be aware of slippery leaves (especially when they're wet), and walnuts & acorns as tripping hazards. **BIKERS;** You too need to watch out for the slippery leaves on the walkways, this Fall Season. And be courteous when coming up behind our Walkers and Joggers. We have an especially consciousness biker in our neighborhood we could all watch as a good example. He is wearing military fatigues and a helmet while bike riding. When he approaches a walker from behind, he slows down, and announces "Passing on the left" to warn the walkers of his presence. Be courteous to Joggers and Walkers.

**Bill Smith, Crime & Safety**

## Healthy Living by Tama Bradley - Director District 6

As Hearthstone Residents we are fortunate to have two outstanding hospitals less than 10 minutes away from our homes. Parkview North offers free or nominal based programs on Healthy Living, Diet, Exercise, Wellness- Visit the Website at Parkview Center for Healthy Living - Registration is required for all programs. Call (260) 670-6500 Also sign up for the new Parkview GO Challenge at parkveiwgo.com, You'll receive free weekly tips and reminders to reach your personal goals.

Dupont Hospital also offers free programs for better health. Try the Dupont Resource Center 2514 E. Dupont Suite 210, located on the Dupont Hospital campus. The Center offers a variety of lectures, counseling and support groups for both men and women—all in a relaxed, homelike setting. Most classes are free. There are dozens of classes offered, How about enrolling in lifesaving CPR? That class, Friends and Family CPR is offered Nov 20,14 at the Dupont Resource Center Suite 210, Register early, call Debra Kunkle at 416-3221 and is Free!

Be sure to take advantage of all of the great things Hearthstone Village has to offer. We have beautiful walkways and trails for healthy living. And a YMCA at our back door, and several fitness facilities less than 10 dollars a month. Life is good, but is so much better living here in Hearthstone Village.

## Hearthstone Board of Directors

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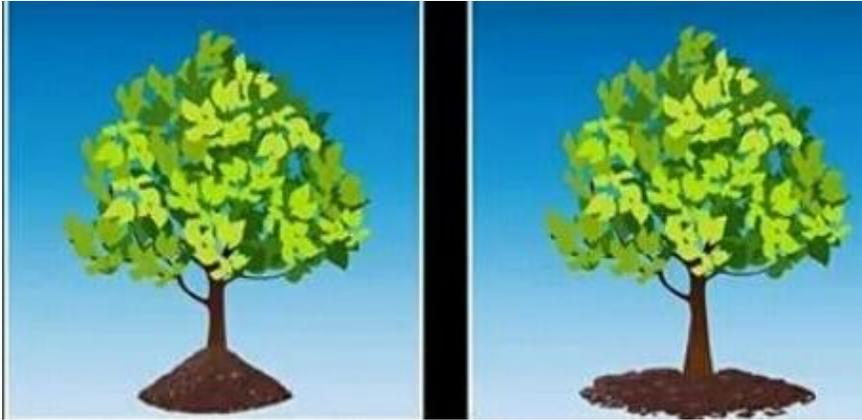
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Contact information can be found on Hearthstone Association Webpage

***"Alone we can do so little.  
Together we can do so much"  
- Helen Keller***



## DO NOT PYRIMID MULCH YOUR TREES



This is how you think it should look  
This is how your friends think it should look  
This is how your neighbors think it should look  
This is how society thinks it should look  
This is how your parents think it should look

**This is how it should look**

**Incorrectly** applying **mulch** around a tree in the shape of a **volcano** can cause the roots to grow around the trunk, **strangling** it-which could eventually lead to the **loss** of the **tree**. Volcano mulching encourages root growth from the trunk. These roots grow straight out. When they reach the edge of the volcano there is no place for them to grow. The roots will then grow around the tree, eventually strangling it or reduce the health of the tree.

**Source:** <http://texastreeplanting.tamu.edu/>

Bill Smith, Tree Steward

## DO NOT LET OUT STREET LIGHTS STAY LITE DURING THE DAY

Leaving street lights on during the day wastes electricity and our tax dollars. Over a two day period I found 7 city and Association street lights (in Hearthstone and Millstone) that have been on during the day. Some, I am embarrassed to say, had been burning 24 hours for more than a week, without my calling them to the attention to the city. Letting these lights stay on 24-7 wastes your and my tax dollars.

If you see a street light on during the day, it easy to report: Call 311, and give them the street address of the pole, and the pole number (if possible). The pole number is on the pole, facing the street- usually 6-7 ft high on the pole. It will have a vertical number, starting with a letter and 5-6 numbers. If the light pole along Hearthstone Association walkways, call your Block Representative, an Association Board Member. Most of our poles have one or two digit numbers to identify their location. Help us keep our expenses under control.

Bill Smith, Crime & Safety

It's Fall, and the leaves are falling. Please do your best to keep our street drains from clogging with leaves and creating driving problems with large pools of water.

### Hearthstone website

<http://www.hvcafw.org>

Log on and **GO GREEN** by subscribing to paperless newsletter and get neighborhood updates the day it is posted. Be sure to include your street address so we can truly go green by not sending the paper newsletter.

### Send Feedback to:

[feedback@hvcafw.org](mailto:feedback@hvcafw.org)

### Architectural questions to:

[architectural@hvcafw.org](mailto:architectural@hvcafw.org)

### Crime reports and questions to:

[CrimeAndSafety@hvcafw.org](mailto:CrimeAndSafety@hvcafw.org)

If you want an update for the Hearthstone Directory, please send request to:

[directory@hvcafw.org](mailto:directory@hvcafw.org)

Please include name, phone, and home address so we can be sure your listing is correct.

Be sure to check out the ads and services offered by our neighbors. Keep the money in the Neighborhood by allowing your neighbors to be of service to you. If you want to place an ad, send it to [ads@hvcafw.org](mailto:ads@hvcafw.org). Keep it brief. (mowing, babysitting, legal services, the company YOU work for or own, etc)

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