



## Annual Trick or Treat Kick-Off Party *by Sandra Maxwell*



Hearthstone's annual trick or treat kick off party will be held on Friday, October 31st at the Maxwell house on Butterchurn Lane. Festivities start at 5.30pm and continue until the sun goes down and we unleash the little devils (and angels) out into the streets of Hearthstone! All ages of ghosts and ghouls are invited for 'goblin' some hotdogs, chips and eyeballs prior to setting out to terrify the neighbors.



Please RSVP by October 29th to [srmaxwell@alltel.net](mailto:srmaxwell@alltel.net) with the total number of hotdogs that should fear being eaten by your family.

We welcome any 'finger' food you may wish to bring but ask that you remove it from the hand before arriving so as not to frighten the children. See you here on fright night!!

## Annual Dinner Big Success

The board would like to thank everyone involved in the organization and execution of the annual dinner and community meeting that took place on September 19th. We had a wonderful meal and a great turnout. Some new mem-

bers were added to the board, there was some great discussion about neighborhood concerns and we had a visit by four of CMPD's finest. Sgt. Cook advised us of issues in nearby areas and reminded us to be aware of suspi-

cious behavior. They also made a commitment to better coverage on Tilley Morris to curb speeding. Finally, Kristin Andes gave a wonderful talk on recycling which is reprinted and enhanced here in this newsletter.

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### Special points of interest:

- *HearthStone Recycling Guide*
- *Guest access to the web site*
- *More police on Tilley Morris*
- *Luminaries are coming*
- *What to do with you Jack-o-Lanterns*



## Christmas Luminaries & Caroling *by Jennifer Walls*



It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas... or, at least, it will be soon! Look for your luminary delivery from the Welcoming Committee the *weekend of December 20th*.

Luminaries are to be placed along your street edge and lit on **December 24th at dusk**. If you will be traveling or unavailable on the 24th, please ask a kind neighbor to put out and light your luminaries so that Hearthstone can have 100% participation in this beautiful event!



Tune up your singing voices and instruments! We're looking for musical volunteers on **Sunday, December 21st at 7pm**.

The annual Hearthstone Holiday Caroling event will begin near the front entrance. This year we're looking for our

musically talented youth to back up our voices with a little instrumentation! If you can play an instrument and are willing to skip the long walk and be pulled along on a trailer, **R.S.V.P. to Jen Walls at [imajenation@gmail.com](mailto:imajenation@gmail.com) by December 1st**. Drums, guitars, trombones, kazoos and more! All are welcome.



## Compost your Autumn Leaves *by Kristin Andes*

Given the scrumptiousness of home-grown fruits and vegetables and perhaps some concern about finances in the upcoming year, a number of folks are considering starting a garden next spring.

You can turn your leaves and grass clippings over the next several months into excel-

lent compost. A number of families in the neighborhood have used compost to enrich new garden plots and to increase yields in existing gardens. Mecklenburg County Master Composter (What a funny title! But, yes, it is true.) Kristin Andes can help you get started. Come to a composting workshop in

*"From ashes to ashes,  
from dust to dust,  
from leaves to soil:  
compost or bust!"*

Hearthstone on **Sunday, November 9, 3:00-5:30 p.m.** Bring 4-5 bags of leaves, a \$5 materials fee, wear work clothes, and go home with the wire fencing and knowledge to start your own compost pile. Enjoy time with neighbors learning, laughing, and dirt-making! **RSVP by Thursday, Nov. 6, to**

**[Kjandes@alumni.duke.edu](mailto:Kjandes@alumni.duke.edu) or to 704-846-9232.**

## Discarding Jack-o-Lanterns and Pumpkins? *by Kristin Andes*

If you have no need of them, neighborhood composters surely could use them! Deliver them to the base of the mailbox at 3238 Tatting Road or call Kristin Andes (704-846-9232) and the Pumpkin Pick-Up Service will whisk them away when you are ready to have them go. (Moldy, fruit fly attractions are fine.)



## Recycling *by Kristin Andes*

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As stated earlier in the newsletter, Kristin Andes gave a great presentation at the annual adult social about recycling options in our community. As part of that, Kristin compiled a guide to recycling, listing the options offered by the two trash companies that service our area (Trinity Waste Services and Action Garbage Service). That document is presented on the back page of this newsletter for your reference and enjoyment. Happy Recycling!



## Ornament Exchange *by Shari Wynn*

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The annual Ornament Exchange will take place on Dec 8th at 7:00 at Betty Huskey's house (3130 Tatting). This is a ladies-only event, but all ladies are invited. A flyer will be circulated soon with more details. Keep an eye out!

## The HearthStone Neighborhood Website *by Trevor Hancock*

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Did you know we have a community web site? Well, we do - it is [www.HearthStoneNeighborhood.com](http://www.HearthStoneNeighborhood.com). Our web site hosts a number of items of interest to our community, including...

- A Buy and Sell Area
- Copies of past and present HearthStone Hollers

- Photos
- Community Calendar
- Announcements Area
- Community Yellow Pages

If you've been up there in the past and have forgotten your login, or if you never had one to begin with and just want to look around, I have created a "visitor's"

login you can use:

User: hsguest

Password: hsguest123!

Use it to have a gander, grab a Holler, sell a boat... whatever! If posting in the forums, please remember to identify yourself with a signature. Enjoy!!

## Beautification & Roadside Cleanup *by Ken Klug*

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Thanks for a great turn-out for the roadside-cleanup last Saturday. We had a 4 families volunteer their time to clean Tilly Morris. Thanks to the Burkes, Magraws, Klugs and Brooks. Additionally, the Overton's went beyond the call to pick up litter along the bike trail within the park. Thanks for everyone's help to keep our community clean. The front entrance has two more tasks before the transition is completed. The next task

has been awaiting colder days to allow us to transplant many of our existing ornamentals and then plant several new ornamentals. The second phase will be to install an irrigation system. That will allow Hearthstone to consistently maintain both our turf and plants. I will send out a notice when that work day will occur within the next couple weeks.



As of 9/19/08.	Action Garbage Service actiongarbage.com 704-821-7578	Trinity Waste Services covenantwaste.com 704-291-7872
<b>recyclables accepted</b> (Both companies take Hearstone recyclables to the Union County landfill's recycling area. The acceptable lists are essentially the same except Trinity <u>cannot</u> accept corrugated cardboard.)	virgin corrugated cardboard w/ no tape and no wax, cut to fit inside recycling container newspapers and inserts, preferably loose. Do not put in a plastic bag. mixed paper; no plastic coated paper aluminum and steel cans, rinsed and labels removed clear, brown, and green glass bottles, rinsed. Put caps in the garbage. Labels do not have to be removed #1 and #2 <u>only</u> plastic bottles and jugs: soda, water, milk, detergent, shampoo, etc. Put caps and lids in the garbage.	newspapers and inserts, preferably loose. Do not put in a plastic bag. magazines and catalogues computer paper and phone books; junk mail; no plastic coated paper spiral, aluminum, steel, and tin cans - rinsed clear, brown, and green glass bottles, rinsed. Put caps in the garbage. #1 and #2 <u>only</u> plastic bottles and jugs: soda, water, milk, detergent, shampoo, etc. Put caps and lids in the garbage.
<b>no-no's for recycling</b>	pizza, cereal, and cracker boxes wrapping paper, hardbound books, paper plates and cups clamshell and deli plastics, even those labeled #1; Styrofoam, foam trays plastic grocery bags (Recycle these at a grocery store.) plastic buckets and toys ceramic mugs and plates, heat resistant ovenware, clay flower pots drinking glasses, crystal, light bulbs, window glass, mirrors antifreeze or oil containers	corrugated cardboard. Flatten it and put in or beside the trash can. pizza, cereal, and cracker boxes wrapping paper, hardbound books, paper plates and cups clamshell and deli plastics, even those labeled #1; Styrofoam, foam trays plastic grocery bags (Recycle these at a grocery store.) plastic buckets and toys ceramic mugs and plates, heat resistant ovenware, clay flower pots drinking glasses, crystal, light bulbs, window glass, mirrors antifreeze or oil containers
<b>yard waste and grass clippings</b>	<u>NC law: must be separate from garbage.</u> Call ahead to arrange a pick-up. Considered a bulk item for which there may be a charge. Tree limbs no larger than 4" in diameter, no longer than 3 ft., tied together in bundles weighing no more than 40 lbs.	<u>NC law: must be separate from garbage.</u> No charge each week for 1 bag of yard clippings, and, in the fall, 5 bags of leaves. (Doesn't matter if bags are open or closed. Bags have to be opened and emptied at yard waste section of landfill, which will not accept plastic bags.) Tree limbs no larger than the size of thumbs, no longer than 3 ft., tied together in a bundle can wrap arms around.
<b>household appliances and furnishings</b>	Call ahead to arrange a pick-up. There will be a cost. Refrigerators and freezers must be emptied by you beforehand.	Call ahead to arrange a pick-up. There "may be a cost, but most likely, no." Refrigerators and freezers must be emptied by you beforehand. Remove gas bottles from grills. Propane bottles are not accepted.
<b>additional cost for more than one container?</b>	At present, no. Picks up "reasonable amount" of occasional extra garbage. There is a cost for extra containers if Action provides them. If your household regularly generates an abundance of garbage, extra charges may be incurred.	No. You provide the container and put your house number on it.
<b>cost</b>	\$276/yr. for trash & recycling pick-up. 10% discount if customer pays for one year in advance. Add'l services (e.g., bulk item pick-ups) available for add'l charge.	\$276/year for trash, recycling, yard waste, and large item pick-up.

Nearby Mecklenburg County drop-off centers for corrugated cardboard, office paper, etc.:

William R. Davie Park (4635 Pineville Matthews Rd.), McAlpine Creek Park (8711 Monroe Rd.).

Full service Mecklenburg County recycling, incl. motor oil: Foxhole Recycling Center (17131 Lancaster Hwy.)

Union County recycling info: <http://www.co.union.nc.us/PropertyServices/PublicWorks/LandfillSolidWaste/Recycling/tabid/432/Default.aspx>

Mecklenburg County recycling info: [wipeoutwaste.com](http://wipeoutwaste.com)