

# CRYSTAL LANE

JANUARY 2016

## HOLIDAY PARKING:

With the holidays right around the corner and with friends and family coming to visit please be courteous to your neighbors and utilize your garage and driveways for parking as much as possible as this will create more room on the streets for our guests. And remember that the north side of Gird (off of Fern) is completely open for parking and rarely used.



## HOLIDAY DECORATIONS IN FOSTORIA:

A message to all Fostoria residents, if you are going to put holiday decorations on your front grass please remember that we won't be able to mow your grass for the time period the decorations are present. We don't want the mow crew trying to mow around the decorations and risk damage to them. Additionally, please try and be careful when putting decorations in trees, hedges and on lawns to ensure that damage isn't been done to the landscaping. If you put up inflatable decorations on the grass, please move them every couple of days so the grass underneath doesn't die. We appreciate your cooperation and happy decorating!

## COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER:

We welcome any suggestions from residents on how we can improve our newsletter and our communication to you. And if you have articles that you think would be useful to the entire community please share those ideas with our management company or your Board of Directors by attending a Board meeting. Thanks for any help you can provide; we want our communication to be valuable to you!

## HOLIDAY DECORATIONS:

A reminder that all Christmas decorations need to be removed by January 15<sup>th</sup>. Please adhere to this guideline so that Management doesn't have to spend time and money sending non-compliance letters. We thank you in advance for your cooperation. Happy Decorating!

## BULK ITEM TRASH PICK UP:

Please remember that if you have large items for pick up by Waste Management that you need to call to arrange for a bulk pick up. Please go to the Crystal Lane Website at [www.crystallane.org](http://www.crystallane.org) and follow the link on the left hand side for Waste Management to schedule a bulk pick up. Once arrangements have been made you may place your bulk items at the curb 24 hours prior to pick up following the same guidelines as the trash cans. Please note that Waste Management will not pick up any items that are not in the trash cans unless you have requested a bulk pick up. PLEASE DO NOT PLACE ITEMS IN FRONT ON YOUR HOUSE, AT CURBS OR IN THE ALLY'S HOPING THAT SOMEONE WILL COME ALONG AND TAKE THEM. IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ARRANGE FOR A PICK FROM WASTE MANAGEMENT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

### HOME MAINTENANCE REMINDER:

This item appears frequently in the newsletter.....but continues to be an issue as we have many homes where tender loving care is needed. Please help us to be the best we can be and have a neighborhood we can be proud of..... by looking at your homes and performing needed maintenance. This community is 11 years old and if you haven't painted, it is time! The big items seem to be front doors, garage doors and shutters. If you have any questions about the maintenance or the specific letter you received please contact StoneKastle for information. Please remember that paint colors can't be changed on any portion of your home without prior architectural approval. The original color scheme of each home is listed on the Crystal Lane website, as are architectural forms. If you are requesting a change in color from the original color scheme, please fill out an architectural form for consideration. Changing colors without approval could result in you having to re-paint, so please be safe and request approval on *any* change to your home. Please note this is not limited to color changes but applies to all improvements. We appreciate everyone's cooperation in maintaining our community!

### **Text Alerts!**

#### One more way to stay connected!

Send a text to this number 81010  
And in the message line put this:  
@cryslane Hit send.  
This will then sign you up for text updates from the community. ie. break-ins, meeting times or changes and community events.



### HALLOWEEN DECORATING WINNERS

1 <sup>st</sup> Place	\$100	13410 Gold Metal
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	\$50	13427 Mashona
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	\$25	13544 Mashona

### CHRISTMAS DECORATING CONTEST

Don't forget! There is still time to add to your holiday decorations. We'll be coming around on December 26<sup>th</sup> to see who the winners will be this year.

### FRONT PORCH SAFETY REMINDER:

Please take a peek at your front porches every few days and keep them free of material that is being placed there by solicitors; this will not only keep the community looking neat but having clutter on your front porches could indicate that no one is home inviting unwanted behavior. Additionally, please keep your newspapers picked up off your driveways, this also sends a signal that no one is home. Thank you for your cooperation.

### Board Meetings 2016

A new year brings many changes. The Crystal Lane Board of Directors will meet on the first Monday of each month starting January 4, 2016. Board Meetings are always held in the Clubhouse and homeowner forum starts at 7:00 P.M. Homeowner forum is a great time to discuss in person with the Board any items you might have, good or bad. We hope to see you there!