



The Seneca Gardens NEWSLETTER

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Mayor's Notes & Updates - New Parking Ordinance Addition

by Mayor David Brown

There have been many complaints over the past years regarding boats and recreational vehicles (RVs) parked in a position that allowed them to be seen by passing pedestrians and drivers. The concern was such parking could hamper the desire to live in Seneca Gardens. It should be noted that all other surrounding home rule cities and higher valued communities do not allow such parking. Take a short drive around and you'll see for yourself that this is true.

Seneca Gardens was the only city within this home rule grouping that didn't have a specific ordinance to address this visual nuisance.

As you may know, on December 13th, 2021, a letter and copy of the pertinent ordinance were mailed to each resident of our city. To summarize the ordinance wording, "Boats and RVs can only be stored out of normal public view by means of suitable fencing, shrubbery, other allowed means."

For those residents who were affected by this new ordinance addition, please understand this passage was, as mentioned, a result of numerous complaints by a very high number of concerned citizens within our city.

The board also wants to thank the affected citizens who have already remedied their situation.

Trevilian Way Ice Problem

I'm sure the many residents who use lower Trevilian Way to either walk or drive have noticed the large ice build that goes from one side to the other. Well, I'm pleased to report last week I had a person-to-person on-site meeting with an MSD representative. We both concluded the water/ice build was a result of a hillside underground water runoff. Although I have not yet received a copy of the final plan, I believe the projected fix is as follows.

There will be a "catch basin" constructed on the lower north side of Trevilian and an "underground road pipe" placed so the problem water will be directed to the existing "south side" open stoned waterway. Once this project is completed, Seneca Gardens will hopefully be able to begin work on stabilizing the rock wall and complete other beautification projects.

In the meantime, Seneca Gardens has our landscape maintenance crew de-icing this area when there is possible ice build-up forecasted.

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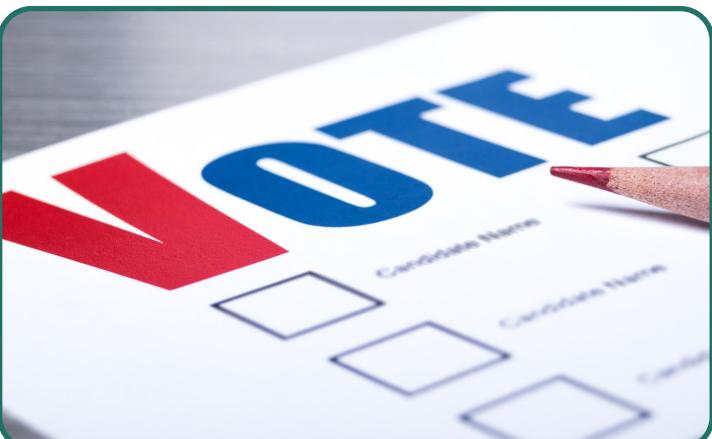
Interested In Serving On The Seneca Gardens Board?

In the box below, you'll see the names of those who serve the City of Seneca Gardens. All elected positions - the mayor and four commissioners - expire at the end of 2022.

If you would like to put your name on the ballot for the November 2022 elections, please use the link below to file.

The deadline to file is Tuesday, June 7th.

<http://elections.jeffersoncountyclerk.org/candidate-filing-info/>



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Meet Your Neighbors, Pam Greenwell and Mike Rodgers

How long have you lived in the City of Seneca Gardens and what is something you love about it?
We moved here in 2002. We walk daily and love the trees and proximity to the parks. It is also close to downtown.

Do you have pets?

Suzie is thirteen and an Australian Shepherd. She lived on the farm we used to own. When Mike sold the farm, we brought Suzie here to live. Mike walks her several times a day. She is very friendly.



Suzie, the Australian Shepherd

Tell us a little about yourself.

Mike is retired and gardens in Smoketown and works with Friends of the Library. Mike also raises bees and sells honey.

I still practice law and am Membership Chair for Impact 100 – a group of women who donate \$1,000

A Word from our City Arborist, Mike Hayman

For the past two years, Seneca Gardens has been pruning trees for clearance over sidewalks and streets. This is being done in phases.

Over the next several years, we will prune street trees throughout Seneca Gardens.

At the same time, we are pruning out defects that we find in the trees that Seneca Gardens subsidized when planted. Pruning for improved structure will reduce tree failures for years to come.



each year and give \$100,000 grants to local nonprofits. We have over 350 members so far.

Are you friends with your neighbors and how do you look out for each other?

We are friends with many neighbors in Seneca Gardens.

Mike's biggest contribution is selling honey to neighbors.

What is your favorite local restaurant near the City of Seneca Gardens?

We love the Uptown and Roc. We also get takeout Chinese from Double Dragon on Goss Avenue.



Mike Rodgers & Pam Greenwell

Groundhog Groove

by Ayden Claire Kolter, resident writer

On the afternoon of November 12, 2021, the Nelson girls and the Kolter kids were happily playing in the Nelson's Backyard Fairy Garden, cleaning up the small houses and building new ones.



Everett Kolter and Sylvia Nelson were fixing the small house to the right of the Meeting house when Everett suggested "Let's go check on the gnomes, and see if they have eaten any of their food". Sylvia agreed, and they made their way to the small house in a dead tree.

according to legend, groundhogs are some of the pets that a gnome would have. Burrowing animals, such as moles, weasels, badgers, wolverines, and, of course, groundhogs, are what a typical pet for a gnome would be. Could this be a pet of a gnome coming by for a visit, or a stray? It is not certain. We do know that we left this animal snuggled in its (possible) home with the gnomes.



About Our Contributor

From 8 to 9 am, the Kolter and Nelson children play outside before beginning their NTI remote classes. Please wave or say hellow if you see them. They have great observations about Seneca Gardens and would make great commissioners one day. At right is Ayden Claire Kolter, who contributed this piece.



The Nelson & Kolter kids, with Ayden back, left

Welcome Our New Residents

We are happy to welcome these new residents to Seneca Gardens. Be sure to say hello and make them feel part of our family.

Janet and Michael Buckman
2511 Valetta Road

Erin Murphy & Daniel Makela
2426 Valetta Road

Did you miss our last newsletter? Visit www.cityofsenecagardens.com and click on NEWS and INFO-NEWSLETTERS on the far right-hand side of the page.

Winter Weather Is Upon Us. Is Your Shovel Ready?

Louisville can be a winter wonderland...except when it's 90 degrees over the holidays.

The mild December weather have given way to bitterly cold temperatures. To prepare for inclement weather, we have a relationship with Magic Salt to treat our roads in the City of Seneca Gardens. On days when snow is in the forecast, it helps if we can keep the roads as clear as possible of parked cars.

When it comes to our sidewalks, please help us keep them clear and free of snow. The "Removal of Ice and

Snow" ordinance 91.43 states residents with sidewalks in front of their homes are responsible for keeping walkways free and clear of snow and ice to the extent feasible under the weather conditions in a reasonable time period. Thanks for your help in keeping Seneca Gardens safe.



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