

Exton Station Express



Old man Winter has finally arrived. Hope everyone enjoyed the holidays and your New Year is off to a great start.

Master Board Open Position:

Due to an unexpected resignation on the Master Board, there is an opening to complete the term for a Member at Large position which expires in November of this year. If you are interested in being considered for this position, please complete a candidate bio form which can be found on extonstation.org on the Documents Page under Master Association and forward it to extonstation@robertwisemanagement.com.

Exton Limited Board Open Position:

Due to an unexpected resignation on the Exton Limited Board, there

is an opening to complete the term for the Treasurer's position which expires in November of this year. If you have a financial background and are interested in being considered for this position, please complete a candidate bio form which can be found on extonstation.org on the Documents Page under Exton Limited Association and forward it to extonstation@robertwisemanagement.com.

REMINDER: Holiday decorations should be taken down by January 15th. Christmas trees can be put out with Thursday bulk pick up. If you have a tree over 7 feet tall, it will need to be cut it to a more manageable size.

COLD WEATHER REMINDERS:

- Outside water faucets should be drained and the valve shut off.
- Clean and inspect chimneys before use. Be aware of birds nesting in the flue.
- Only a half cord of wood is permitted to be stored at one time.
- Keep the temperature of your home at a minimum of 65 degrees to prevent frozen pipes.
- Clean up the outside patio and decks before winter arrives. All items including: bikes, toys and

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sporting equipment need to be stored away from those areas.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MASTER AND SUB ASSOCIATIONS:

Please make sure you open and read US mail, emails and any other communications you receive from the Master or Sub. These documents contain important information and community updates that residents and tenants need to know.



CLUBHOUSE VEHICLE PARKING:
As of February 1st, residents will no longer be able to park commercial vehicles in the clubhouse area. This includes vehicles having graphics or advertising, more than two axles, trailers, moving vans, cargo vans, etc. The Board previously extended this

parking courtesy to residents in the past. However, due to the increase in requests to park these types of vehicles in this area, we have been advised by the HOA attorney that this practice is a liability to the community and a violation of the Association Documents. The new snow contractor will be storing more snow equipment and materials in this area for use during snow / ice events to save the Association on snow expenses. Unfortunately, parking in the clubhouse lot is for residents who are using the recreation areas only and all other vehicles will have to be parked elsewhere. Call the office if you have an extenuating circumstance regarding this issue.

PREVENT FROZEN OR BURST PIPES:
Now that Winter has officially arrived, make sure that exposed water pipes have been insulated to prevent freezing during the upcoming frigid winter months.

Winter temperatures have dropped significantly below freezing for numerous days at a time during the past several seasons causing frozen / burst pipe issues in the community from uninsulated pipes running through exterior utility closets.

Pipes at most risk for freezing include: Exposed pipes in unheated areas of the home, pipes located next

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to exterior walls and any plumbing on the exterior of the home. You can also keep the water trickling to avoid bursting if the pipes do freeze.

Garden hoses should be removed and the outside pipe drained and the spigot left open. If your exterior pipes are not insulated, you should install inexpensive foam pipe insulation around exposed exterior pipes or wrap problem pipes with thermostatically controlled heat tape.

This will help prevent a situation during the winter freeze leaving you or a neighbor without water or a potential burst pipe causing an emergency plumbing situation which could be costly. Please remember that some upper unit pipes run through lower unit exterior utility closets so it is critical that the area holding the pipes is protected to prevent both the upper and lower unit from experiencing frozen or burst pipes and the damages caused as a result of either of those situations.

As stated in the association documents, unit owners are responsible for damages caused to a neighboring unit or the common area as a result of not properly maintaining your unit and its plumbing.

OUTDOOR WINTER SAFETY:
The weather outside is frightful and it's time to use some common

sense habits to reduce the risk of illness or injury.

Overexposure to extreme cold temps bring the risk of frostbite while enjoying outdoor activities such as: skating, sledding, building snowmen, having snowball fights, shoveling, etc.

Dress warmly and stay dry - wear a hat, scarf to cover the face, neck and mouth, mittens (they are actually warmer than gloves) and water resistant coats and boots.

The nose, cheeks, ears, fingers and toes are the most common areas affected by exposure to cold weather conditions.

Shivering is the first sign your body is losing heat and is a signal to go indoors.

Frostbite causes a loss of feeling and color in affected areas. It most often affects the nose, ears, cheeks, chin, fingers, or toes.

Minor symptoms of frostbite are referred to as frostnip and chilblains. These are small, swollen, reddish or purple inflamed areas that disappear when they are warmed. If you experience burning, numbness or tingling in affected areas, you should seek medical attention.

