

The Gladstone

of the Greater Gladstone Civic Association

Gladstone Manor is:

Ardmore Ave. (to Bryn Mawr Ave.) • Bryn Mawr Ave. (to Windermere Ave.) • Deforest Rd. • West Baltimore Ave. (from Burmont Rd. to Windermere Ave.) • Eldon Rd. • Gladstone Rd. • Madison Rd. • Mansfield Rd. • Marlyn Ave. • Martin Dr. • West Stratford Ave. (to Windermere Ave.) • Walsh Rd. • East Windermere Terr. • Willowbrook Ave. (to Bryn Mawr Ave.)

Building Community Since 1927 

February 2013

December Events in the Manor

Holiday Tree Lighting

December saw the return of several traditions in the Manor. The annual tree lighting was held on Saturday, December 1, 2012, with over 100 residents participating. Santa attended, as did Lansdowne Borough Council President Sharon Coleman. Residents enjoyed many delicious donated baked goods and hot cocoa, gave Santa their wish lists, and countdown to light the tree.

Many thanks to the elves who helped set-up and cleanup for the event, with special shout-outs to those who helped move the Santa mailbox to its December home on the Island Parklette.



Santa Claus Mailbox

The magical mailbox received over 30 letters sharing wish lists and personal notes to the man in red. Santa thanks those elves that helped him keep up with correspondence during his busy month.

Please keep in mind that any letters dropped in the box must contain the writer's first name and street address to insure a response from the North Pole.

Caroling Under the Streetlights

Cold weather and faulty streetlights did not keep the Mansfield Brass from making its annual caroling tour the Saturday night before Christmas. Thanks to the musicians who braved cold and dark to keep this tradition going!



Neighborhood Safety

The best way to keep our neighborhood safe is to be aware of what is going on around you. We have recently received a report of a bicycle stolen out of a garage. We are reminded to secure house and garage doors, make sure any motion lights are in working order, and report any suspicious activity to the Police.



Thank You So Much!

As of the end of 2012, we had contributions from 36 households of the Greater Gladstone Civic Association neighborhood, ahead of where we stood at the end of 2011. Your support allows us to continue our focus on improving this neighborhood through our various community-building events and member-driven activities. There's never a deadline for sending along a contribution. If you've not already done so, just send it along in the addressed envelope you received with the November 2012 fundraising letter; or if you've misplaced that, simply mail your contribution to the GGCA c/o Kathy Kauffman, Treasurer, 125 Gladstone Road, Lansdowne PA 19050. Thanks to all for your support!



Manor Manners

We've recently had our first dose of snow that fortunately didn't require a lot of back-bending shoveling. However, we need to keep the shovels and snowblowers at the ready and our manners in the front of our minds. Be reminded that we are required to have our sidewalks, and any other areas of our properties where the public has access, cleared within 24 hours. And please, please, please do not shovel or blow snow back into the streets...



this makes it difficult for folks to drive, and the plows will simply come around and plow it back onto the sidewalks. Our community streets are quite narrow, and it makes sense to help the Borough folks as much as we can by moving our cars off the streets and into driveways where possible. The added advantages to getting the cars into our driveways (ask a neighbor if you can temporarily pull into theirs) are less shoveling of the driveways and less obstruction in our streets for the Borough to plow (and your car won't get plowed in).



“Flash”Backs (from The Manor Flash, 1937-38, exactly as written)

Eve Owings Davees reports Mr. Omar is teaching Ducky Wuck the Jakops duck to say Quack Quack because it has no mother. Also that day there were 20 kids on Davees porch. They were very noisy. Mrs. Davees had to send he boys home.

They better tear down the shacks near the railroad or they will fall down. Also there is danger of fires in them as kids play in them a lot when their Mothers don't know it.

STAY HOME: The Holdsworths stayed home over last weekend to see how they liked it.



Street Light Update

As of early January, all but one street light in the Manor has been returned to working order. The Borough is asking for our continued cooperation in reporting outages (date, time, location of non-working light) to the GGCA via the website or directly to Melissa Englund. The detailed reports from the GGCA are assisting the Borough in resolving this ongoing issue with PECO.



Upcoming Meetings

Did you make any resolutions for the New Year? How about getting involved in the neighborhood? Consider attending an upcoming meeting, or contacting us to get involved in a variety of community building projects.

Our 2013 meeting schedule is for the following Thursday evenings at 7pm: February 28, March 28, April 25, May 23, June 27, September 26, October 24, November 21. All meetings are held at Borough Hall, 12 E Baltimore Avenue.



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