

Wheelwrighter - October 2023

Mark your calendars with these important dates:

- **Saturday, October 14th** - Household hazardous waste curbside pickup - see this list for acceptable items:

<https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/publicworks/recycling-trash/household-hazardous-waste>

- **Saturday, October 21st** - Green Drop Donation van.



See this list for acceptable items for donation:

<https://www.gogreendrop.com/acceptable-items>

- **Saturday, October 28th** - Fall Cluster Clean up and cookout



Consider pitching in with your neighbors on projects to beautify the community and keep our home values high. Here is our fall community clean up to do list:

- Invasive Species removal in Lower Cluster
- Trash Pick UP
- Spreading wood chips
- Pot Holes near LFL
- Paint and repair Trash Enclosure in Tot Lot
- Clear Seal the Benches

Pet Waste Guidelines changes will be proposed at this year's Annual Meeting. Currently the guidelines for Wheelwright Cluster Association do not provide adequate spaces in the neighborhood for dogs to relieve themselves. The board believes these guidelines are too strict and have the opposite effect - dogs are going everywhere. Additionally, pet owners from other neighborhoods do not know our guidelines and therefore let their pets use the bathroom indiscriminately along our sidewalks. **Therefore the board is proposing the following changes:**

- 1) **Dogs may NOT use the bathroom on anyone's personal property** - front yards, backyards, and side yards - this will be strictly enforced.
- 2) **Dogs may not use the bathroom where there are signs that explicitly ask for dogs to stay off the grass*.**
- 3) Any other common spaces where there are no signs can be used as a bathroom for dogs.
- 4) **Dog owners MUST pick up after their dogs.** There is never a time or place where this rule does not apply.
- 5) **Dogs MUST be kept on a leash at all times** unless in a fenced in yard. **You may not allow your pet to roam freely around the neighborhood at any time.**

*these signs may move around to different common areas around the cluster to help rejuvenate spots that are suffering from pet waste.

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Wheelwright Cluster Board Members

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If you have questions, concerns, or suggestions, please email wheelwright.cluster.assoc@gmail.com.

Our next **Wheelwright Board Meeting** is **TONIGHT, Tuesday, October 10th at 7pm**. All are welcome to attend. Look for Zoom link on our [Facebook](#) page and [Wheelwright website](#).

Mark your calendars for the **Wheelwright Cluster Association Annual Meeting on Monday, December 4th at 7pm**. This meeting will be hosted via Zoom*. It is vitally important for each homeowner in Wheelwright cluster to attend this meeting. **We will be discussing important community changes as well as a dues increase.**

*If you do not have access to a computer, internet or Zoom, please reach out to the board at wheelwright.cluster.assoc@gmail.com

TreeSmith USA, LLC will be onsite doing cluster tree work in the coming weeks. If you would like to schedule tree trimming/pruning on your own property at this time, please reach out to:



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Car Registration

The Wheelwright Board keeps track of all vehicles belonging to homeowners and tenants in the cluster. This is to ensure that only vehicles that belong here are using up valuable spaces we have in our lot.

Please make sure that your vehicle registration is up to date with the cluster.

Email wheelwright.cluster.assoc@gmail.com with your car's make, model, color and license plate if there have been any changes to your vehicle in the last 2 years.

Additionally, all cars parked in our lot must have current tags and inspection stickers.

Are you a tenant living in Wheelwright cluster? You can receive important updates **via email** regarding trash pickups, community alerts and important happenings in the neighborhood. Send your email address to Wheelwright.cluster.assoc@gmail.com to join our email list.

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Garbage and Recycling

Our waste management company is **Bates Trucking**. Here is the schedule for waste pickup:

Regular Garbage: Mondays and Thursdays

Recycling: Mondays

Yard Waste: Seasonal pickup on Wednesdays. Winter pickup on Thursdays with regular trash. Yard waste must be placed in compostable paper bags.

Pickup for **bulk items** is free but it must be scheduled with Bates. Please call 1-800-840-6454 or fill out this online form at <https://www.batestrucking.com/contact-us/> to schedule a bulk pickup.

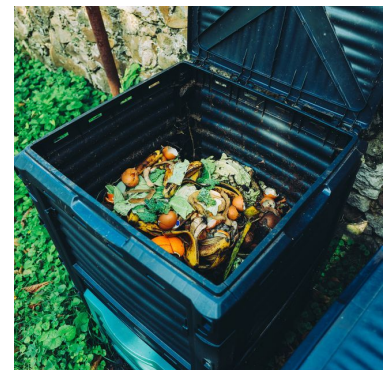


Glass **cannot** be recycled in the curbside recycling bin. Glass needs to go in the regular garbage OR recycled in the purple bins that reside in several areas throughout the county, the closest one being located in the South Reston Park and Ride.

Recycling **cannot** go in plastic bags. Either place items loosely in blue top recycling bin or place them in cardboard boxes or paper bags. Plastic bags can **ONLY** be recycled at the grocery store.



Consider composting! It's easy - just save your kitchen scraps (no animal products) and put them into the **community composting bin by the tot lot**. For a full list of acceptable composting items, visit: <https://farmtotableguam.org/compost-dos-donts/>



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