



Happy New Year to our Hillcrest Family!

Our neighborhood has been so blessed. Your board prays for continued blessings for all of our families as we embrace a new year.

Thanks go out to all who spruced up their properties, with additions, well kept gardens and general repairs - like new roofs, grass and fencing.

Your efforts helped all of us.

Special thanks to those who helped decorate our entrance for the season and to those who cleaned and re-planted the entrance flower bed.

Let us all resolve to watch out for our neighbors. The blessing of a good neighborhood is a reward to caring people, who not only look out for their own, but for the good of others.



At left, Charles Snyder helps get decorations up in early December. Ron Nabors, right, took the holiday decorations down Jan. 4. (Photos by John Sellers)

Make sure your faucets and pipes are protected from freeze

Water pipes in houses in southern climates, like ours, often are more vul-



nerable to winter cold spells. The pipes are more likely to be located in unprotected areas outside of the building insulation, and homeowners tend to be less aware of freezing problems, which may occur only once or twice a season.

Pipes in attics, crawl spaces and outside walls are all vulnerable to freezing, especially if there are cracks or openings that allow cold, outside air to flow across the pipes. Research at the University of Illinois has shown that “wind chill,” the cooling effect of air and wind that causes the human body to lose heat, can play a major role in accelerating ice blockage, and thus bursting, in water pipes.

Holes in an outside wall where television, cable or telephone lines enter can provide access for cold air to reach pipes. The size of pipes and their composition (e.g., copper or PVC) have some bearing on how

fast ice forms, but they are relatively minor factors in pipe bursting compared with the absence of heat, pipe insulation and expo-



sure to a flow of subfreezing air.

One easy thing we can all do is to cover our outside faucets. Local hardware stores have a variety of covers that are easy to install that will keep your faucets from freezing.

The City’s 311 Service designed for non-emergency calls

The city of Mobile is pleased to provide a single point of contact for residents to gain access to non-emergency city services and more.

Mobile 311 strives to deliver the highest level of customer service in gathering the needed information that will allow citizens access to services via transmitting a service request order to appropriate city departments.

For emergency issues regarding Mobile utilities, please call the utilities directly.

For water and sewer emergencies during non-business hours, call 694-310;

For electric emergencies during non-business hours, call 1-800-245-2244;

For gas emergencies during non-business

hours, call 476-2720 or 476-8052.

Important note: all telephone carriers do not allow access to Mobile 311 Call Center!

If your wireless or landline telephone carrier cannot directly access 311, you can reach us by dialing 208-5311.

Please call your carrier and request them to install the infrastructure that will allow you to call Mobile 311 from your wireless or landline telephone.

The city of Mobile would like to thank the following carriers that currently offer 311 services to their customers: AT&T and the city of Mobile would like to thank the following carriers that currently offer 311 services to their customers: AT&T and Sprint.

E-mail delivery of the newsletter

Provide us with your e-mail address and we will deliver the newsletter to you as a pdf.

Notify John Sellers at:
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Hillcrest Crossing Homeowners Association

January, 2011

MT-01	Victor & Jean Gaston	1136 W.	639-2555	26	Ben & Frances Neighbors	1201 W.	633-7073
MT-02	Prentiss & Patricia Wilson	1132 W.	639-7494	27	Phillip & Laura Bellew	1205 W.	639-2544
MT-03	Ken & Margaret Nettles	1128 W.	633-7852	28	Peggy Crane	1209 W.	634-0300
MT-04	Anne Wyatt	1124 W.	633-3784	29	Peter & Billie Van Der Giessen	1213 W.	639-7449
MT-05	Joe & Marie Carter	1120 W.	633-3109	30	John & Faye Sellers	1217 W.	633-4837
MT-06	Marty and Sue Forsyth	1116 W.	455-1308	31	Doris Wolfe	1221 W.	639-0678
MT-07	Pat Jones	1112 W.	639-1947	32	Gary Schumacher	6508 S.	635-1223
MT-08	Bonnie Beyer	1108 W.	776-5675	33	Charles & Darlene Snyder	6504 S.	402-1391
MT-09	Jan Spence	1104 W.	648-2695	34	Nancy Prine	6500 S.	639-1976
	D.J. Drury	(850)	572-3539	35	Cheryl Jefferson	1216 E.	n/a
MT-10	Carlton & JoAnn Holley	1100 W.	635-1125	36	Janet Lambert	1212 E.	633-2446
MT-11	Josephine P. Haidt	1101 W.	607-7175	37	Paulette Ripps	1208 E.	633-7408
MT-12	Joe & Susie Steen	1105 W.	634-0992	38	Frances Taylor	1204 E.	639-7009
MT-13	Carroll & Anna Butler	1109 W.	634-8938	39	Joe & Loraine Wade	1200 E.	633-7700
MT-14	Dan & Laura Stover	1113 W.	639-1910	P2-1	Edna Rubley	1196 E.	639-1013
MT-15	Carole Perez	1117 W.	634-2553	P2-2	Frank & Cathy Reese	1192 E.	776-5918
MT-16	Tom & Elizabeth Jones	1121 W.	607-9764	P2-3	Mary Malone	1188 E.	607-0999
MT-17	Joe & Marjorie Oberkirch	1125 W.	607-0267	P2-4	Barbara Wasiak	1184 E.	633-9953
MT-18	Jerry York	1129 W.	639-6902	P2-5	Conan & Edna Davis	1180 E.	639-1812
MT-19	Robert & Charlotte Forrester	1133 W.	634-0442	P2-6	Ken & Betty Burroughs	1118 E.	639-9709
MT-20	Ralph E. & Elaine Mitchell	1137 W.	634-9634	P2-7	Jimmy & Carol Fisher	1114 E.	635-1929
01	Melissa Pilot	6417 S.	634-3885	P2-8	James & Frances Wiggins	1110 E.	634-9502
02		6421 S.		P2-9	Geary & Bonnie McDonald	1106 E.	633-4714
03	Peggy Clements	6425 S.	209-8651	P2-10	Debra Zampieri	1102 E.	634-8499
04	Denny Tutwiler	6429 S.	607-7063	P2-11	Frank & Barbara Schottgen	1103 E.	776-7337
05	Dr. Jim Bailey	6433 S.	633-0004	P2-12	Robert & Judith Salter	1107 E.	639-6917
06	Bob and Chris Hinrichs	6437 S.	634-8342	P2-13	Mike & Marsha DeAngelis	1111 E.	607-9109
07	Roy & Delores Carter	6441 S.	633-3550	P2-14	Marlu Vance	1115 E.	633-3993
08	Karl & Joan Henriksen	6445 S.	633-6531	P2-15	Bonnie Reynolds	1119 E.	634-3120
09		6449 S.		P2-16	Alice & Agnes Jackson	1181 E.	228-209-6920
10	Tom & Jane Sawyer	6453 S.	634-1882	P2-17	Annette Jordan	1185 E.	633-6349
11	Lamar Fuller	6501 S.	639-1928	P2-18	David & Robin Taylor	1189 E.	634-3255
12	J.Charles Brown	6505 S.	633-0839	P2-19	Harvel & Dorann Owens	1193 E.	607-0601
13	Betty Robbins	6509 S.	633-6125	P2-20	John & Eloise Lambert	1197 E.	634-1434
14	Jeanice Pritchett	6513 S.	666-9550	40	Cecelia D. Bromley	1201 E.	607-9934
15	Carol Caron	6517 S.	633-5988	41	Jean Reiner	1205 E.	633-3395
16	Pauline Felder	6521 S.	633-9730	42	Cecile Davis	1209 E.	639-3436
17	Valencia Hoven	6525 S.	661-1523	43	Jim & Tookie Hadley	1213 E.	639-9096
18	Ruth Keeler	1228 W.	633-7746	44	Katie & Billy McDermott	1217 E.	607-9666
19	Bruce & Wendy Slaughter	1224 W.	633-2785	45	Stan & Jackie Wilkie	6448 S.	n/a
20	Nadine Powell	1220 W.	607-9167	46	Jesse & Ann Williams	6444 S.	639-3113
21	Chris Turner	1216 W.	633-2485	47	Wayne Gay & Jean Griffin	6440 S.	607-0240
22	Brian Walker	1212 W.	639-0654	48	Ron & Robbie Nabors	6436 S.	776-6815
23	Ann Evans	1208 W.	633-4725	49	Ramona McNeal	6432 S.	639-6816
24	Suzan Pearlman	1204W.	639-9256	50	Markus & Martina Forsch	6428 S.	259-5513
25	Pat & Margaret Howze	1200 W.	633-3183		Moritz Forsch		

BOLD denotes board member

2011 Paper Pickup Schedule Tuesdays

Jan. 4, 18
Feb. 1, 15
March 1, 15, 29
April 12, 26
May 17, 31

2011 Garbage Pickup Schedule Tuesdays

Jan. 4, 11, 18, 25
Feb. 1, 8 15 22
March 1, 8 (M'Gras), 15, 22, 29
April 5, 12, 19, 26
May 3, 17, 24, 31

2011 Trash Pickup Schedule Fridays

Jan. 7, 21
Feb. 4, 18
March 4, 18
April 1, 15, 29
May 13, 27

Winter Gardens are fine in the North and the South

Photo and text
by Jennifer Lance



If you are a gardener, your summer garden is probably your favorite. Some folks in the area say they are still harvesting, basil and onions, but it's not too late to plant some winter garden. Winter gardening is tricky, but some love cool weather crops and always feel like defying nature to pick carrots in December, but those should have been started early.

Some say winter vegetables taste sweeter than their summer counterparts, because sugar levels in plants rise as temperatures fall. The Westside Gardener explains:

“As is the case with summer vegetables, fresh from-the-garden produce simply tastes better than its supermarket counterpart. Because it is harvested closer to the time it is consumed, it is higher in vitamins (this is probably even more true in winter than in summer, since so much of the commercially available winter produce is grown in the southern hemisphere). The eating quality is often remarkably higher: For instance, many vegetables store more sugars when they are exposed to cold temperatures. Also, a lot of winter vegetables are poor shippers; so if you want quality leeks or kale you have no choice but to grow them yourself.”

What can you plant for your winter garden? Territorial Seed Co. suggests:

- Arugula
- Beets
- Broccoli (transplant)
- Brussel sprouts (transplant)
- Cabbage (transplant)
- Carrots
- Cauliflower (transplant)
- Chinese cabbage (transplant)
- Collards
- Corn salad
- Endive
- Kale
- Kohlrabi
- Lettuce
- Mustard greens
- Onion seed
- Parsnips
- Rutabagas
- Scallions
- Turnips

When winter gardening, there are two purposes for planting. Some of the crops are grown for fall and winter harvesting, whereas others are planted to over-winter for an early spring harvest. In addition, many winter gardeners use covering or cloching to extend their seasons.

The end of fall is a perfect time to get beds ready for next spring by planting cover crops. Cover crops improve your soil and help fight weeds.