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(electronic copy of newsletter available here)

**Happy 2010!**  
**Welcome to the New Decade**

### **Scotts Mill Neighborhood Fall Yard / Garage Sale a Success!!**

Approximately 25 families participated in a neighborhood yard sale in Scotts Mill in October, and participants were happy with their \$\$\$ and the ability to reduce clutter. Several reusable signs were purchased, and a small fee was charged to pay for supplies, maps for customers, & advertising for the sale.

Let your newsletter editor know if you are interested in having a yard sale this spring.

(early May perhaps?) All signs and some maps will be re-used and the fee will be even less than 5 dollars!

An organizer is needed, and the only duties are to decide advertising venues & post descriptions, write broadcast emails and collect the small fee from participants.

The Reusable signs are available to all Scotts Mill residents who wish to borrow them as well.

Send an Email to Lisa, at [march31@nc.rr.com](mailto:march31@nc.rr.com), or call 413-1253 for details, or to participate, or borrow signs.

### **Big Changes Possible in Wake County School System**

Did you know the Wake County School System has some new School board members that have radically changed some policies and are intent on surveying the families with children in the school system?

If your child is in the WCPSS, Please go to the this website to take the current survey, and let your voice be heard. This survey is due by January 25, 2010.

<http://www.wcpss.net/survey/2010-school-calendar/>

Please watch out for your pets' whereabouts, there have been recent reports of various Cats being 'resident' (room and board) in homes or under porches as visitors. Our generous neighbors can help us find lost or sick pets, and if everyone would register for the Scotts Mill Yahoo group— your neighbors could post descriptions of Pets that need to find their homes, etc.

### **20% discount for safe, insured House or Roof Cleaning by March 1, 2010**

Most homes in Scotts Mill are a decade or more old. Because of this, we are starting to see roof mold on many houses- a common problem in the southeast.

This is not attractive, can ruin the roof material permanently and will reduce the value of your and your neighbor's home.

John, the owner of Mildew Magic, states his company is on the "Angies' List" Honor Roll, and the company is a member of the Better Business Bureau. He also made sure to mention that they do NOT use pressure-washing, which can damage housing materials, and invalidate your shingle warranty.

Please think about improving your home's appearance. Our HOA management company gave a personal recommendation, and we have received information that all Scotts Mill Homeowners will receive 20% off (if service is done by March 1st), for all roof cleaning and exterior house cleaning by Mildew Magic.

**For information about their services, Call John at 919-845-9935 after 8 am & before 8pm any day or evening, or see [www.mildewmagic.com](http://www.mildewmagic.com) – when you talk to John, be sure to tell him you live in Scotts Mill to receive the 20% discount.**



**Scotts Mill Homeowners Association :::: FROM the BOARD see <http://scottsmill.com/board.html>**

**Info on Improvements in 2009, and Tennis courts and more being renovated in 2010– your homeowner fees at work! (More information in article inside!)**

To sign up to receive notice via email about the newsletter, go to the Scotts Mill website and click on "yahoo groups", register to become a member, and you will receive information from our board when necessary, and the newsletter email notice every month.

If you are interested in picking up a printed copy, please stop by the front door of the Clubhouse (nearest to parking lot), where they are kept for residents' pickup.

Deadlines for submitting material to newsletter:

The Scotts Mill Newsletter will be published and online for residents enjoyment Bi-monthly -beginning in November, and monthly from May through October. Our deadline for submissions therefore, must be the 10th of each month for inclusion in the winter months, and by the 1st of each month during the summer months. Remember to send your activity notices 60 days in advance if at all possible, so all can be aware of upcoming activities. Thank you !!

### 'THE LIST'

**Local customer service or Apex businesses that you want to know about! Each month we hope to write about an interesting and well recommended service or business. Send us your suggestions.**

#### **Chair the Children's Committee:**

The Children's Committee is looking for a new chair. There is currently no Chair, so some events may have to be discontinued. Past Committee chairs say this easy volunteer position allows your creativity to grow and flourish, while your children will be proud of their family's participation.

The next event is typically the Easter Egg Hunt, and you will be able to pick the date, and arrange the egg hunts outdoors at the Clubhouse as you please. Easter this year falls on Sunday, April 4th— so the egg hunt would need to happen sometime near the end of March.

The Scotts Mill Board financially supports the Children's Committee.

Please contact Betsy Stiehm, at 367-9767 if you are interested. Other events during the year for your children are, Breakfast with Santa, the Halloween Parade, or any others you decide upon! What about a St. Valentine's Day cupcake and Valentine exchange!!? Interested?



#### **Scotts Mill Homeowners Association :::: FROM the BOARD – Information regarding Improvements, Annual Meeting etc**

The 2010 budget for our neighborhood has a number of capital expenses with the tennis court restoration and pool furniture being the highest on the list of priorities. The current reserve fund would not allow taking on both projects, so the Board voted to complete the tennis courts in 2010 and defer the pool furniture until 2011.

Several members were strong proponents for replacing all of the furniture & umbrellas at one time— so as not to repeat the mistakes of the past. Incremental replacements produced a mismatched effect at the pool area.

As for the tennis courts the work scheduled for this spring will include resurfacing the asphalt, new fencing and new nets.

Signs were posted- stating that the courts should only be used for tennis, and they have been removed by someone which is very disappointing . **The Tennis courts are NOT for roller hockey, skating, skateboarding or games of ANY kind except tennis— please help prevent the high expense** of the work being done now— (sooner than expected because of the misuse of the tennis courts) Please help reduce the constant upkeep and damage to our tennis courts by cooperating with the rules.

There is going to be an extensive landscaping program which will be implemented this year and next. Trees have been planted and more landscaping added at the entrances, and plant additions throughout the common areas can be expected soon as well.

For 2009, the Board completed several small projects relating to the clubhouse : repainting the interior, counter top replacement in the kitchen and bathrooms, and refinishing the hardwood floors. Expect deferred maintenance work to continue in 2010 as it becomes a need.

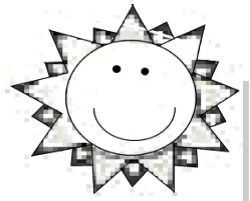
The HOA board will have some openings up for election in March, and the annual meeting occurs yearly in March also. Please feel free to attend the annual meeting and run for an open position. The annual meeting information and proxy must be mailed to each homeowner via US Mail.

Please contact your board members with any questions or concerns at [board@scottsmill.com](mailto:board@scottsmill.com) or the HOA management company: Omega Assoc. Management Inc. at Ph. 461-0102 or email [info@omegamgmt.com](mailto:info@omegamgmt.com)—be sure to state you are a Scotts Mill homeowner, and they can refer you to the proper person at Omega.

#### **New section for Newsletter! Pet Profiles**

We know your Pet and his or her story is great reading for the Scotts Mill Newsletter. Write the editor and let her know ALL about your adored pet. These profiles will run every month and will include ALL types of pets. Write us now to have your pet (pets) become the "star" of Scotts Mill.

# SCOTTS MILL PET PROFILE



## This Month's Pet Profile is about Sadie and Scarlett !!

Sadie (right) is a yellow Labrador Retriever that has lived with her family here at Scotts Mill since 2002. Her parents were AKC field trial champs and passed along their high-drive and single-



minded focus to Sadie. She will play fetch or swim for hours on end! She is also quite the athlete - awesome at catching things or learning new feats of physical skill very quickly. Now at 7 years old, her energy level is slowly approaching that of a normal dog but she still has more than enough reserve to tire out any human. ;-)

Scarlett (left) is an adoptee from the Wake County Curtis M. Dail Adoption Center in 2007. The SPCA originally named her Charlotte and said that she was found wandering roadside with her brother, Wilbur. She is a Saint Bernard mix and shelter employees told her owners she would eventually to 90lbs. Scarlett has topped out at 55lbs., and does have the coloring and laid-back temperament of a St. Bernard, but NOT the drool. Her family says that she must have some boxer mixed in too, because she really enjoys batting toys, laser pointers and pushing her sister's face with her paws when playing.

Both of these ladies are very social and really enjoy meeting other people and dogs, so don't be a stranger if you happen to see them on one of their daily walks!

**TOWN OF APEX** Don't forget to contact town management offices with any questions about possible Lawn Watering schedules, Local Area Planning, Lawn Waste Pick-up, Water Quality Buffers within your property, etc.

For Example, did you know that you can trade in your old small recycling bin for a new larger, ROLLABLE recycling bin? Contact the Town of Apex for information

[www.ApexNC.org](http://www.ApexNC.org) has email addresses and phone numbers listed!

For upcoming events at the **Halle Arts Center** go to <http://www.apexnc.org/depts/parks/artsCenter.cfm#upcoming>

## Scotts Mill GOLDEN AGERS CLUB

See newsletter, [www.ScottsMill.com](http://www.ScottsMill.com), or call Sharon Monfort @ 363-1498 for information.

### Current Activities scheduled are:

#### January : Cambridge Village Inform

Representative from Cambridge Village of Apex  
New approach to Independent Living for Active Seniors

DATE: Wednesday, January 20th

WHERE: Scotts Mill Clubhouse

TIME: 11:30AM

RSVP to Sharon Monfort

#### February: Movie - TBA

DATE: Wednesday, February 17

WHERE: Scotts Mill Clubhouse

TIME: 1PM

#### March: LUNCH

DATE: Wednesday, March 17

WHERE: Scotts Mill Clubhouse

TIME: 1PM

COST: TBD

#### April: TBA

DATE: Wednesday, April 21

WHERE: Scotts Mill Clubhouse

TIME: TBA

## APEX COMMUNITY CENTER

For more information on Senior Day Trips or activities at Apex Community Center ...call 249-3402.

### BEACH BINGO 1:30 -3 PM

Please bring \$1 per card. Coffee and water provided. **Need to Pre-registration for each day bingo meets.**

Jan 6 & 20\* Weds. 1:30-3

\*Potluck Luncheon-12:30

Feb 3 & 17 Weds. 1:30-3

Mar 3 & 17 Weds. 1:30-3

### CARDS & GAMES

Ages 55+. Join friends for an afternoon of socializing and playing cards, Rummi, Mahjong or other fun games!

Jan 4-25 Mondays 1-3

Feb 1-22 Mondays 1-3

Mar 1-29 Mondays 1-3

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**APEX COMMUNITY CENTER**

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**WALKING**

Dates & times are subject to change. Free.

Monday—Friday 9-10am & 1-2pm,  
Saturdays 9-10am

Jan 2-30

Feb 1-27

Mar 1-31

**MOVIE DAYS**

Popcorn included. Bring your favorite drink. Fee \$2.

Jan 21 Thursday 1:30-3:30

Feb 8 Monday 1:30-3:30

Mar 31 Wednesday 1:30-3:30


**WII BOWLING**

Open to those experienced or new to the game. Instruction provided. Free.

Jan 13 & 27 Weds. 9:30am -11

Feb 10 & 24 Weds. 9:30am -11

Mar 10 & 24 Weds. 9:30 am -11



- Lessons
- Lead line rides
- Track Out Camp
- Pony Birthday parties

*It's a Horse Thing* is an equine lesson program that promotes responsibility, patience and respect.

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 Email: [itsahorsething@nc.rr.com](mailto:itsahorsething@nc.rr.com)



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