

# WOODLANDS SOUTH

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*Good Cheer for all of 2010!*



### THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY ...

February is an interesting month with many special days contained within it. It begins with the 2nd being **Groundhog Day** with the hope that it will be a short winter. The 10th is the **Chinese New Year** and the 14th is **Valentine's day**, a time to remember someone special. The next day, Monday, the 15th is **President's Day** and all federal and municipal buildings will be closed as well as banks. February 17 is celebrated by many as **Ash Wednesday**. If you happen to be in New Orleans the day before you can join in the Mardi Gras. **Purim** will occur on the 28th. The entire month is designated as **American Heart Month** as well as **Black History Month**. Birthstone is amethyst and flower is violet. For football fans let's not forget the **Super Bowl** to be played at Dolphin Stadium in Miami on February 7<sup>th</sup>.

### PORTABLE ELECTRIC HEATERS SAFETY



We all have hot and cold "spots" in our homes that could benefit from additional heating or cooling, depending on the season. While cooling problem areas can be challenging, it does not pose the safety problem that may be present with the addition of a heat source. Heat sources require close attention and maintenance to keep us safe.

While providing a nice atmosphere, our gas fireplaces provide little heat. Most people turn to electric heaters to increase the temperature in the odd bedroom or cold basement area. If this is something you are considering please keep the following in mind: half the deaths and one third of the injuries resulting from electric heater fires occur at night when family members are asleep and the heater unattended.

Power or extension cords should not be used with an electric heater. They are almost always too small to supply the amount of current required by the typical portable electric heater and can create a fire hazard. It is estimated that more than 250 deaths occur each year as a result of defective heating equipment.

If you use an electric heater, remember the following: Operate heater away from combustible materials; Avoid using extension cords unless absolutely necessary; Keep the cord stretched out. Do not permit the cord to be buried under carpeting; Never place heaters on cabinets, tables, furniture, etc; Never, never ever use heaters to dry clothing or shoes.

**KEEP SAFE!**



 President's Day



**SNOW AND ICE**

Oh, yes, winter has arrived! Many of our residents have headed south. The holidays are over...

And now the Christmas lights have come down, which marked the official end of the season here at Woodlands South. We remind all that individual lights and holiday decorations must also be taken down in the very near future.

It is amazing that with the extreme cold weather we have had so early in the year that we are warned of global warming. As a resident living in the Midwest of America, these kinds of statements and the actuality of our weather don't seem to coincide. Some people never let facts interfere with their opinion.

Please be reminded that as we begin to experience snowfall that the roads need to be clear of parked cars in the street. Vehicles that are parked in driveways when Greenlawn comes to clear same with their equipment, their plows will go around any vehicle and WILL NOT be returning at a later time to clear that area. Although the sidewalks are cleared, salted and monitored, please be careful when going for a walk. Nature always seems to slip in a patch of ice that may cause an accident.

*DID YOU KNOW...*

- ...that our contract with Greenlawn for snow removal and salt applications is for the entire season and is NOT per plowing or application?
- ....that holiday decorations should be removed by mid January?
- ...that all Board meetings are held at the Northville offices on the corner of Six Mile and Sheldon the third Wednesday of each month at 1:00 p.m.?....

*February 2<sup>nd</sup> - Important day of National recognition.....*

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