

NEWSLETTER

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Dog alert. In a terrible incident recently, two dogs running loose in the neighborhood killed Connie and Ted Johnson Chapman's cat, Hillary. The Trustees have written a letter to the dogs' owners, but have not been assured of the owners' cooperation. The dogs have been sighted at least two other times. If you see the dogs—they run as a pair; one is white with brown patches and the other is dark-colored—please inform one of the Trustees. The Trustees will then call Greene County Animal Control.

News of note for March . . .

Smoke alarm reminders. from Andy Holyoke

It is recommended that you change your smoke alarm battery. It has been about two years since they were installed.

Be aware, if you push the silence button, the smoke alarm will chirp once a minute for 15 minutes. The booklet that came with the smoke alarms says this is normal. So, be patient! The chirping will stop after the alarm returns to normal operation.

Make sure you insert the new battery in the correct orientation. The big battery contact lines up with the big hole in the battery "drawer."

Page 19 in the "User's Manual" is the Trouble Shooting Page.

Page 14 advises regular maintenance and discusses batteries.

Thanks. The Trustees wish to give an official thanks to Delaine Adkins. Since 1997 Delaine has been organizing information on the computer for PMA use in recording unit expenses and balance sheets. Delaine has been a great help to the Treasurer and other Trustees.

THE RECIPE CORNER

Five-Bean Soup

My mother, Maxine Maurice, devised this recipe, which is tasty and easy to prepare.

Two cans condensed bean-with-bacon soup (undiluted)

1 can white beans (canelli, great northern, or lima)

1 can black beans

1 can red beans (kidney or spicy chili)

1 can garbanzo beans

Mix all ingredients together; heat thoroughly on medium/low heat, stirring occasionally. The soup can also be simmered slowly in a crock pot. Corn and diced carrots, potatoes, onions, and celery can also be added.

--Peggy Saari

