

The Greendale Original

The newsletter of the Greendale Originals Neighborhood Association

An organization of residents of Greendale Original Homes for the purpose of education, representation, service, promotion, and preservation of our historic neighborhood.

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Spring Up to the Attic to Insulate

by Joe Russ

With spring here, and temperatures a bit more moderate, now is a good time to consider heading up to the attic of your original. First, some safety tips.

Watch your head for the nails sticking through the roof from the tiles, slate or shingles. Also, be sure to lay a board across a few of the beams when working up there, so you don't put your foot through the ceiling of a bedroom or bathroom. Due to dust, and possible ducts still wrapped with asbestos, wear a mask. If your heating ducts are wrapped in a white, hard material, it is original. **Do not** disturb it. Thus it is one more reason not to sit, or stack boxes, on those ducts.

For their time, Originals were designed with a very good air flow in the attic. Air comes in under the eaves (or through a vent on some single-family homes) and vents through a hole in the chimney. However, insulation can be improved. And no, stored holiday decorations, luggage, etc. do not count as insulation.

One thing to do is keep any old, or new, insulation away from



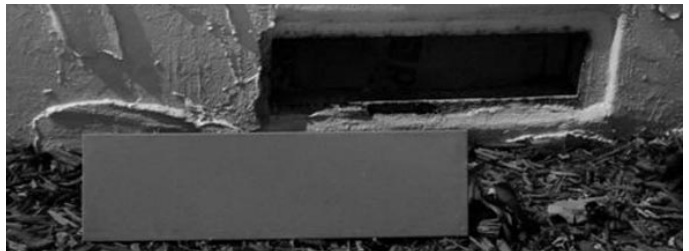
the eaves to preserve air flow (see photo on left for an example of too much insulation). If it was that way when you bought the house, you can use a rake to get in there to pull it back (that needs to be done in the

photo below). Adding more insulation is a good idea. To help ensure the eaves remain clear for air flow, install plastic or foam vent chutes (which are inexpensive and just need to be stapled in place) after pulling back the insulation, or when adding more.

(The photo at the bottom shows a plastic vent chute between the rafters.)



Winter Vent Covers Available



by Al Emmons

My name is Al Emmons and I'm announcing, with Easter egg on my face, that winter vent covers have been made! Finally, even though winter is almost over (we hope) I managed to find a fabricator to make the rectangular winter vent covers. I tried them out on several Originals and determined that the covers will fit all Original Greendale homes with rectangular vents. A batch of rectangular summer vent covers with screens for crawl space ventilation have also been ordered and should be ready in time for the summer season, if it ever comes. The winter vent covers are available for less cost than when I had some made 30 years ago. To get a winter vent cover and order summer covers call 423-1133.

Ex-Packer to Speak at High School

by Joe Russ

Former Green Bay Packer Don Beebe will speak in Greendale High School's Henry Ross Auditorium, 6801 Southway, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 1. The motivational presentation, titled "Building Character through Sports" is sponsored by the Greendale Panther Athletic Booster Club. It is geared toward all athletes and is open to the public. Advanced tickets are \$5.00, which will be refunded at the door for a non-perishable food item (to be donated to a local food pantry). Fliers will be distributed to the schools. Tickets will also be available for purchase through the schools as well. For more information visit www.greendalefootball.com.

Next Meeting

Wednesday, April 2, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.

The April meeting of the Greendale Originals Neighborhood Association will be held April 2 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Room of the Greendale Public Library. (Lower Level, use Health Department Entrance).

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Village Event Calendar

April 1 Don't Forget to Vote

April 26 Senior Fest 50+
Greendale Middle School, 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Greendale Park & Rec., 423-2790

May 10 Spring into Greendale

Village Center

May 17 Third Folk Art & Craft Show & Sale
Trimborn Farm, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

June Free Gazebo Concerts begin

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