

Arbor Hills Newsletter

December 2011

December Board Meeting - Cancelled

The Arbor Hills December open board meeting scheduled for December 21st has been cancelled due to the proximity to the holidays. The next open board meeting will be held on **January 25th at 7:30pm** in the Clague Middle School Media Center. Note that this is the fourth Wednesday of the month as Clague has an activity planned on January 18th. If you have any questions or concerns, you can always contact the Board through email or phone.

2012 Open Board Meetings

Open Board Meetings will be held every **other** month on the third Wednesday during 2012 on the 'odd' months – January, March, May, July, September and November. This change is due to low attendance and the increased room rental cost at Clague. The Board members are always interested in hearing opinions, comments or concerns from homeowners. Please utilize the communication channels set up for these purposes such as the Board email, Board phone number, Facebook or Google Groups.

2012 Association Dues

Due to the change in management companies from Select to Provident, you **MUST** discontinue any electronic payments that you have set up with your bank. This is not done automatically. If you would like to pay electronically, please contact Provident for further information. Recall that you have 30 days to make your payment (by January 31st) after which time fines will be applied to your account in accordance with the Collection Policy which can be found on the website. (Documents Tab to Association Dues to the Collection Policy link) If you have not received your payment coupon at this time, contact Provident directly.

Arbor Hills Snow Removal

Snow must be removed from sidewalks within 24 hours of a snowfall. Clearing snow and ice from sidewalks is simple courtesy and caring toward all those who need to use the walkways. Snow should never be shoveled or blown into the streets. During the winter, the City provides residents with up to one, five-gallon bucket's worth of a sand-salt mixture, per visit to the maintenance yard at 721 N. Main, (734) 994-1617. Residents should bring their own shovel and bucket and check in with the office upstairs for directions to the storage area before self-loading their bucket.

Car Towing Policy

Per the Neighborhood Policy: "In the event of snow cars shall be moved from the street to allow the snowplow to clear the entire roadway. Any vehicle parked in the street after a snowfall with an accumulation of greater than 1½ inches will be towed at the owner's expense."

Holiday Tree Disposal

The City of Ann Arbor provides a free tree drop-off for undecorated trees next to the Drop-off Station, 2950 E. Ellsworth, from December 15th to January 31st. You can also cut and bundle your tree or place it in your compost cart for collection in April 2012. The City of Ann Arbor will NOT pick up trees left at the curb.

Snow Removal Service

A group rate for snow removal is available from Superior Lawn Care & Snow Removal. The cost is \$20 if you do not have a sidewalk, \$25 if you have a sidewalk and \$30 if you are on a corner lot. There is also an option to prepay for 10 visits to receive 3 free. Please contact Mo or Nagi 734-913-5296 if interested.

Neighborhood Aesthetics

The Landscape Committee is in the process of transferring the duties of Neighborhood Policy enforcement to the management company – Provident Asset Management. Please be aware of the policies which can be found on the website (Documents – More Documents – Neighborhood Policies) and work with the management company to address and correct any areas of concern.

Newspapers in the Streets

The Ann Arbor Journal provides free newspapers throughout the neighborhood. These are delivered on Thursdays whether you have asked to receive them or not. Many of these newspapers are thrown away or simply remain in the streets for days. If you are NOT interested in receiving these newspapers **PLEASE CALL THE ANN ARBOR JOURNAL** at **734-429-7380** and request that delivery to your home be stopped.

LED Lights

As the Solar/LED/Energy Committee continues to investigate the possibility of LED Lights for Arbor Hills, please take a look at the current LED lights in our area on Green Road, Plymouth Road near Barton Drive and within Foxfire neighborhood. A survey will be distributed in January to Arbor Hills' homeowners to determine if there is a majority interest in pursuing this energy conservation option.

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*Have a Safe and Happy
New Year!*

Committees –

Social – Chairperson – Mary Sheaffer-Manthey
Plan events, form groups and welcome new neighbors

Communications – Chairperson – Elaine Kennedy
Keep everyone informed of all neighborhood news

Landscape – Chairperson – Ig Justyna
Advise on the maintenance of the common areas
Assist in maintaining the community's aesthetic goals

Rental – Chairperson – Chuck Daniels
Aid those who choose to rent their homes

Solar/LED/Energy – Chairperson – Bonnie Demetral
Help investigate possibilities for our neighborhood

Bylaw – Chairperson – Tad Biskupski
Review our Association Bylaws and make suggestions as to how they can be updated and streamlined.

Board Members & Officers

Elaine Kennedy – President

Deb Holmes – Vice President

Ig Justyna – Treasurer

David Finnegan – Secretary

Carla Charlebois – Director

How to Contact the Board

Email and voice messages will be forwarded to all members of the Board. Please let us know your questions, concern or comments.

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