

ARBOR SPRINGS HOA NEWSLETTER

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Do Something Today That Your Future Self Will Thank You For. (Unknown)

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JOINT COMMITTEE PLANNING MEETING

A joint meeting of Arbor Springs HOA committees, Security, Social, and Beautification, was held on March 9. A review of past committee actions and potential future activities were outlined and discussed. The Security Committee will be: (1) looking further into security cameras to be placed at our two access points as well as placement of signage at access points referencing the use of security cameras; and (2) continuing the pool security program implemented in 2013. The Social Committee will be considering several activities including our summer party at the pool, annual garage sale, development of a new neighbor welcome package, as well as other possible items. The Beautification Committee discussed: (1) using a small boat to access our pond to retrieve trash and other debris that has accumulated over time; and (2) researching benefits and cost of a pond fountain and aeration system. A **BIG thanks** to each committee member and their support of the HOA. If you have an interest in helping maintain our neighborhood and would like to participate in one of the committees, please contact one of your HOA Directors.



2015 ANNUAL DUES

THANK YOU to all of our homeowners who have forwarded their HOA Annual dues. Their promptness in payment is greatly appreciated. If you have not yet forwarded your dues to our HOA Secretary Francine Bond, please do so. Mail your payment to P.O. Box 578, Brownsburg, IN 46112. For those who have not made any payment of the \$540 annual dues, remember that a \$10 late fee must be included with the payment for each month payment is late starting with March 15th. For those who have made their first installment of \$270.00, their next amount of \$275.00 was due by April 1st. After May 1st, they will have to add a \$10 late fee for every month it is late. If you need to discuss other payment arrangements, please contact Francine Bond at 317-262-2250.



ANNUAL GARAGE SALE

Arbor Springs 3rd Annual Garage Sale will be Saturday, May 30th from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM. The participation fee is \$10/household. The fee is for the large yard sign, on line advertising and signs that will be posted at certain intersections. Any extra monies will be donated to our annual neighborhood party (Look for the date to be posted by the middle of next week). Please make checks payable to Arbor Springs and send to Arbor Springs, Attn: Francine Bond, PO Box 578, Brownsburg, IN 46112 or you can call Francine at 317-262-2250 to make arrangements to drop it off.



COYOTE SIGHTINGS AND PROTECTION

Many of you may be aware that in recent months a number of coyote have been seen within and around Arbor Springs. As housing development continues to expand and shrink coyote territories, coyotes are looking often for alternative food sources. A recent article in the Indy Star highlighted the concern. If you wish to read the article, you can go to IndyStar.com: <http://indy.st/1GkICZX>. Thanks to Michael Klitzing for the article reference.

Garden Size Requirements

No more than 100 sq ft and also be considerate of neighbors on the appearance of gardens. Make sure they are not over grown and unsightly since many homes are open to other residents' back yards.

Recycling

Congratulations to all who have elected to recycle and we encourage others to do so as well. However if you choose to recycle don't forget to place heavier items on top to prevent things from blowing away.

Mailbox Replacement/Repair

Estes Designs is the vendor that Arbor Springs uses for our mailboxes. If you are in need of one please call Estes at 317-899-5556. The prices are as follows:

Mailbox Only: Takes about a week from the order date to be installed.

1. A painted **aluminum** mailbox with a smooth finish, magnetic catch, piano hinge and a knob on the door costs \$186.93 (taxes included) + \$30.00 installation fee = \$216.93. Pros – If the door gets knocked off just the door can be replaced. Stronger and last longer.
2. A painted **steel** mailbox with a ridged finish, and a riveted hinge costs \$85.28 (taxes included) + \$30 Installation = \$115.28.
Con – If the door gets knocked off the whole mailbox have to be replaced.

Post Only: Takes about 10 days from the order date to be installed.

1. \$177.30 (taxes included) + \$75 Installation. (NOTE: Installation price change).

Mailbox & Post: If both are needed then the homeowner pays for the mailbox of their choice (\$186.93 or \$85.28) + the post (\$177.30) + installation (\$75). The \$30 "mailbox only" fee is waived. (NOTE: Installation price change).

If the homeowner chooses to pick up the mailbox and/or post themselves and do their own installation then the installation fee is waived.

Estes Design can take a credit card over the phone or a check which can be given to the installer.

Mailbox Repainting

For the "Do it Selfers", a couple of neighbors did the following.

The paint used for the mailboxes is Rust-oleum, the color on the front of the can is camouflage, on the sticker the color code is 1917 Khaki. To get new mailbox letters, contact Brownsburg Signs 858-1907, and tell them to use the color, font and size that is on record for Arbor Springs.

To remove the existing lettering, use a hair dryer on high to warm the letters and scrape them off with a razor blade. To make painting easier, Remove the red flag (should be clipped on).

Disclaimer:

We are only explaining what they have done, however keep in mind that we are not guaranteeing the process.

Post Repainting

If there are any deep cracks on the post, Lowe's has a 'Frost King' Poly Foam Caulk Saver round foam to fill the cracks as much as possible, leaving room for caulk, then caulk over and after the caulking is dry, paint the post. You do not have to go buy your own paint. Please contact Denise Smith at 317-797-1242 to obtain the paint. The HOA is providing the proper color and paint.

Spring is coming!

We, your HOA Directors, would like to thank everyone who has worked hard in their yard this past year. We had a good grass growing year. Your effort has really made Arbor Springs stand out in its beauty and attractiveness to all. Pride in our neighborhood shows and we want to continue the effort to not only maintain the attractiveness but to enhance our property values for everyone. We appreciate your continued awareness of the need to: (1) regularly cut grass; (2) clean grass clippings off of street, sidewalks, and driveways; (3) insure yard lamp posts are properly functioning; (4) repair any damage to homes such as missing window shutters or other decorative trim; and (5) repainting and maintaining mailboxes. If you need any assistance with or information about lamp post, mailbox, or shutter repair, please contact us.

No Overnight Street Parking

All of our neighbors who have utilized the pool parking area for overnight parking to avoid parking on the street are GREATLY APPRECIATED. Their actions are not only respecting our covenants, but eliminating safety concerns. It is again requested that everyone not park vehicles on the street overnight as outlined by our covenants.



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