

October Newsletter

Colony West Homeowners Association
31 Colony West Drive
Champaign, IL 61820

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“Listen! The wind is rising and the air is wild with leaves. We have had our share of Summer evenings, now for October eves!” - Humbert Wolfe

Greetings from the Clubhouse Office!

The leaves are changing, the temp is dropping, and somehow this year is flying by!

We'd like to share some information with the community members as well as prepare you for the winter months ahead.

We have been busy working with a few vendors for a few projects, wrapping up summer jobs, and more!

Please stay tuned by checking out our newsletter for more Colony West news, reminders, and upcoming happenings.

Go ahead, grab your pumpkin spice and take a look!

We hope you have a wonderful October!

As a reminder, Colony West Association office is located at 31 Colony West Drive. We are open Monday through Thursday 10:00AM to 2:00PM. All office closures are posted in the Holidays and Clubhouse Closures section.

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The Next Colony West HOA & COA Meeting: October 14th

Please join us Wednesday October 14th for the next Condominium & Homeowners Association meeting at 5:00PM at the Clubhouse! Doors open at 4:45PM.

We encourage attendance at this month's meeting. Don't miss out!

Can't make it in? No problem! Keep an eye out for a zoom link in the future.

Interested in running for a spot on the Board? Want to start a neighborhood committee? Let us know at the next meeting!

Local Events

Check out:
chambanamoms.com

- October 8 - CU Folk & Roots Festival at Downtown Urbana
- October 10 - Urbana Fusion Festival at Downtown Urbana
- October 14 - 18 - CU Jazz Festival at Rose Bowl Tavern
- October 18 - Costume Parade at Lincoln Square in Urbana
- October 24 - Flannel Fest at West Side Park in Champaign

Holidays & Clubhouse Closures

- October 1 - International Coffee Day
- October 12 - Columbus / Indigenous People's Day
- October 14 - Owner's Meeting
- October 31 - Halloween

**The Clubhouse Office will
be CLOSED: Monday
October 12 for Holiday**

Surrounding Towns & Local Trick-Or-Treat & Trunk-Or-Treat Spots

- Costume Parade at Lincoln Square Mall 10/18
- U of I Trunk or Treat at State Farm Center 10/18
- CU Church Trunk-Or-Treat 10/18
- Trunk or Treat at Brookdale Senior Living 10/23
- Trunk-Or-Treat at bible Baptist Church 10/24
- Trunk or Treat Friendship Lutheran Church of Joy
- Trunk-Or-Treet at Colbert Park 10/25
- Trunkor Treat Champaign Grace Church of Nazarene
- Trunk-Or-Treat at First United Methodist Church 10/25
- Community Trick-Or-Treat Event at My Morning Out Childcare Center and Preschool 10/29
- Trick-Or-Treat at the Urbana Free Library 10/31
- Trick-Or-Treat Walk in the Forest at Salt Creek Area Camping at South Park Farmer City, IL 10/31/26

Spooky Movie Night at the Clubhouse!

Please join the Clubhouse staff Saturday October 10th between 5PM to 8PM for a movie night in the Clubhouse meeting room!

Movie: "Hocus Pocus"

Fresh popcorn will be provided by staff. Please feel free to bring your own drinks and snacks to enjoy!

We hope to see you there! Reserved for community members only. Children must be supervised by an adult. Thank you!

City of Champaign, City of Urbana, & Champaign County Trick-Or-Treat Hours

Because Halloween lands on a weekend, Trick-Or-Treat hours will be from 5:00PM to 7:00PM.

Any neighbors who are passing out candy, make sure your porch lights are well light for families to see!



City of Champaign: Yard Waste Collection Dates

Information:

Each year, the City of Champaign goes around our neighborhood to collect yard waste material off of the curb on Mondays: October 26th, November 9th, and November 30th.

Starting October 12th, the Colony West Property Management team will begin collecting yard waste material outside the Clubhouse Shed. This is a centralized location that residents may also bring yard waste and collect it there in time for the city clean up. If you are unable to bring the yard waste material yourselves, no worries! The property manager will begin picking up yard waste out on the curb starting October 12th - weather allowing.

Do not bring any yard waste material to the Clubhouse Shed outside of these dates: October 12th through November 30th . Individuals of Colony West will receive a violation notice and fine. Non-residents will be reported to local authorities. 24/7 video surveillance at all times.

All yard waste material must be bundled and collected as directed by the City of Champaign's ordinance. Failure to meet requirements = yard waste is not picked up.

Material Requirements:

- Materials must be placed within 10 feet of the curb of a public street by 6 a.m. to ensure pickup on your scheduled day.
- Bags need to be placed at least 5 feet away from obstacles such as trees, mailboxes, light poles, fire hydrants, etc. Bags near obstacles will not be collected.
- Materials must be in 30-gallon paper yard waste bags. Yard waste in plastic bags, containers, etc. will not be collected.
- Twigs and branches must be bundled with non-metallic twine or placed in paper yard waste bags. Branches cannot be larger than 2 inches in diameter and 3 1/2 feet long. Bundles cannot be larger than 18 inches in diameter.

For a small fee, bagged plant material, brush, bulk wood, etc. may be taken throughout the year to the Landscape Recycling Center at 1210 E. University Avenue in Urbana, phone 217-344-5323.

Community Updates

Fiber Internet Coming to the Neighborhood

On September 22nd, Pavlov Media began digging and burying cables. Soon our community will have another option for internet! Please contact Pavlov Media for more info on how to sign up for fiber optic internet.

Construction won't take long, so thank you for your patience! We understand there may be some extra noise throughout the day. No worries, your evenings will not be interrupted!

They began at Phoenix Drive, moved through Melrose Drive, and will finish around Colony West Drive.

Strong Odors in Condominium Buildings

Due to several odor complaints reported to the office, the Colony West Management Team is sending out a friendly reminder to our community to please do your best to eliminate unpleasant odors.

Unpleasant odors can range in a variety of ways. Strong cooking smells, unpleasant trash odor, funky pet waste, and over flowing garbage can create an obnoxious environment for all your neighbors.

We understand you can't control all odors, but please do your best to help!

A Few Notes To Remember

- Soliciting is not allowed throughout Colony West. We will never authorize solicitation without community notice/permission.
- Stairwells are not to be used for storage. Decoration is ok, storage is not.
- Flower pots, decoration, and other similar items are not allowed to be placed ontop of the balcony railings of the condominium buildings. This poses as a risk for injury if items fall.
- Please do not leave items outside of any dumpsters in Colony West. If it cannot fit in the dumpster, you may have to make arrangements for a bulk haul-away.
- E-bikes/scooters should not be ridden through the grassy areas. Please be cautious and courteous to those who walk on the pathways.
- Bikes should be registered and tagged by the office. Untagged bikes pose a risk of succumbing to the occassional parking lot clean up.

Seasonal Tips & Topics

Prepare to Winterize Your Home!

- Disconnect all hoses from the spicket.
- Store outside furniture in a protected area or provide covers.
- Protect your grill by bringing it inside the garage or covering it.
- After the leaves stop falling, consider cleaning out your gutters.
- Test all smoke and carbon monoxide fire alarms.
- Check your fireplace for any animal nests or creosote build up.
Electrical fireplaces require regular cleaning and maintenance as well.
- Make your furnace more efficient by replacing filters at least every 3 months.

Be Roof-Ready

Snow, ice, and wind can cause issues to your home's roof this winter. Get a headstart on winter by doing the following:

- Inspect the roof for missing, broken, or frayed shingles, damaged flashing, or any other signs of deterioration.
- Clear leaves, pine needles, and other debris that accumulates.
- Check your attics and ceilings from stains from water leakage.



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HOA Emergency Maintenance
Number:

866-582-5337

*Reminder: this is for HOA
Emergencies only. Think outside
of your immediate Unit. Tenants
and Renters should always reach
out to the Owner of their Unit first
prior to calling this number.
Please list your name, number,
and unit address.*

Champaign Emergency Services:

Emergency: 9-1-1

Non-Emergency: 217-333-8911

Water Problems:

Illinois American Water: 800-422-
2782 (Zero-Lot Only)

CONDOS ONLY: Emergency
Maintenance Line

Power Outages:

Ameren: 800-755-5000

Thank you for reading!

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