

SPLAT— The Quarterly Newsletter



SAVE THE DATE **ANNUAL HOA PICNIC** **Sunday, September 12**

We have high hopes that the neighborhood picnic can resume this year!!
So put the date on your calendar.

Cost: \$25/person payable by Saturday, Sept 4. Make out to SPLAT. Either mail or hand deliver to Carolyn Magnes at 9248 Spring Forest Dr
It will be great to see everyone again and catch up on all the news.

FOOD: Food Truck – Dashboard Diner

See inside for more details and menu



Important Phone Numbers and e-mails

2020 HOA Officers and Committees

President	Jim Funk	jwfunkjr@sbcglobal.net
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	Ron Watson	rwatson1411@gmail.com
Director of Communications	Carolyn Magnes	cjmagnes@att.net

Operations management

Ardsley Management

Sarah Leveridge

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317-253-1401

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Amy Rohrbach (Sarah's assistant)

amy@ardsleymgmt.com

317-259-0383, ext 0

Helpful Phone Numbers:

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| 1. Indianapolis Star vacation hold/start | 888-357-7827 |
| 2. IPL -in case of a power outage | 317-261-8111 |
| 3. Citizens Energy Group (emergency) | 317-924-3311 |
| 4. ADT—security alarm company | 800-878-7806 |
| 5. Republic Services (trash) | 317-917-7300 |
| 6. Ardsley Management-- office phone | 317-253-1401 |

From The President:

Your board has had a very active Summer keeping up with needed repairs, planning the woodwork and painting for this season, and working on future needs. Soon we will announce where and when the group meetings will be held to inform all residents of the study results. I thank our ad hoc finance committee who has spent so much time on this project.

A couple of areas to note. Our Crime Watch group recently toured the neighborhood checking on house numbers. In several instances they found the numbers totally covered by vegetation. I would recommend you check yours and if it is blocked, remedy the situation quickly. Should an emergency occur, the authorities would not be able to locate the proper residence. This suggestion is for your safety.

Also, keep your garage door closed except when going in and out of your garage.

The aerator for the lake has been installed. Unfortunately, we have been caught up in the conversion of Indianapolis Power and Light into AES and they are way behind in placing meters. We hope to have this operational, with a meter in place, within the next two weeks. This system will hopefully save us from the cost of dredging the lake in the next few years.

And, yes, the gate repair is in process. The insurance payment has been made. As with many areas of mechanical work, parts are a real problem, and the bent gate must be replaced. We await the manufacture of the new gate and availability of the replacement parts to make it work. We should have this done within a few weeks.

A reminder again, please do not put outgoing mail in your box until mid-morning of the delivery day. Mailbox theft remains a problem throughout the North area of the city and you invite thieves by putting out the day before. I still see flags up on Saturday night and Sundays. Please do not put outgoing mail in your box until at least the morning of delivery.

Jim Funk

President, HOA Board

Preventative Maintenance

What to check in August:

1. Mulch in flower gardens --- NOT touching the wood siding
2. Crawl space after a rain: if wet, check if sump pump is working
3. HVAC filters ready for replacement

Republic Services Trash and Recycle

Republic Services is the company who takes care of our trash and recycling. If you ever have any questions about the service, you can call Republic at **317-917-7300**. That is the number for our area. You can also go to their website republicservices.com for information. The Mayor's Hot-Line is not responsible for Republic's schedule or pick-ups.

As there was confusion as to when trash was going to be picked up due to July 4 holiday, I have checked for upcoming pick-up changes. Through December 2021, trash will be picked up on Mondays with one exception. Due to the Labor Day holiday, our trash will be picked up on Tuesday, September 7. Recycle pick-up follows the same schedule except it is every other week.



The Springmill Lakes contact for ADT Services is: 24 hour customer care: 1-800-878-7806. You can also go to their website to view alarm activity, manage contacts, or pay for optional services: MyADT.com

It is **IMPERATIVE** that all units be connected to fire and smoke alarms per our insurance. If you were not inspected by ADT in Fall 2020, please arrange to have that done immediately. If you are on another system, Ardsley must have an alarm certificate on file.

Your ADT customer number, which is unique for your unit, is in your Homeowner's Handbook on page 10.

SPLAT website—www.springmilllakesattamarack.com

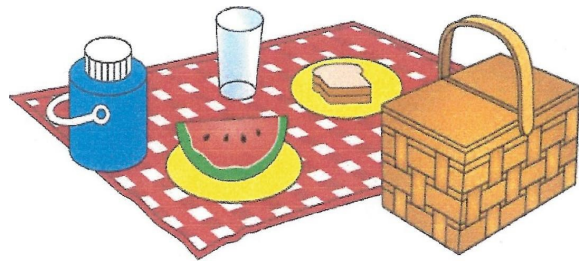
The SPLAT website has lots of good information, such as the 2020 Co-owner's Handbook, the minutes for the HOA Board meetings, newsletters, by-laws, rules and regulations, upcoming events. It can be accessed from any computer or your cell phone.

Questions or Comments? Email: Carolyn Magnes at cjmagnes@att.net

Please visit our SPLAT Website to review SPLAT documents and past newsletters at

www.springmilllakesattamarack.com

Springmill Lakes Annual Picnic



When: Sunday, September 12,
2021

Where: Tamarack Drive by the
Pond

Time: 5:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m. There will be musical entertainment by resi-
dent Greg Harker after dinner.

Cost: \$25 per person; guests welcome.

RSVP: Mail or deliver your check to Carolyn Magnes @ 9248 Spring Forest
by **Saturday, September 4**

Checks payable to: Springmill Lakes at Tamarack or SPLAT.

Join Your Neighbors And Make New Friends At A Delightful Evening By The Pond

Dinner by Dashboard Diner food truck.

Menu on back. BYOB

Questions? Please contact:

Jeanette Shallop 317-373-7005 jjshallop@change-strategies.com

Carolyn Magnes 317-669-6951, cjmagnes@att.net

Note: Tamarack Drive will be blocked off at both ends of the pond at 4
p.m. to set up for the picnic. Please leave areas at each end of the dock on
Tamarack for handicap parking.



DASHBOARD DINER FOOD TRUCK MENU

SANDWICHES:

Tenderloin
Pulled Pork BBQ
Cheeseburger
Fish Sandwich
Chicken Filet



Can add mayo, lettuce, tomato, onion, pickle, ketchup, mustard, cheese

COMBO BASKET:

2 piece Pollack fish

Served with a choice of side

SALAD:

Chef Salad - lettuce, tomato, shredded cheese, ham and eggs

Dressing: Ranch, Italian, French, Honey Mustard



DOGS:

Coney Dog
Hot Dog
Corn Dog



Can add cheese, onion, relish, ketchup, mustard

WRAPS:

Dash Wrap - flour tortilla, grilled chicken, lettuce, tomato, shredded cheddar cheese

Choice of sauce: Ranch, Honey Mustard, Buffalo

Choice of chips: Sea salt or BBQ



SIDES:

Onion Rings
Fried Pickles
Potato Wedges



DRINKS:

Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite, Bottled water
Edwards Drive In Root Beer



Root beer float for dessert



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Units for Sale
9268 Spring Forest Dr

Welcome New Neighbors

Chuck & Janie Johnston
9295 Spring Forest Dr
Chuck: johnstonchuck@icloud.com 317-339-5630
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Ellen Fagan
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Be a Good Neighbor

SPLAT is a great community. Neighbors are always looking out for other neighbors. Here are a couple of suggestions a neighbor recently gave to me. Many of you are already doing these.

- If someone you see outside regularly but you haven't seen for a couple of days, do check on them to be sure they are doing well.
- If a neighbor gets a newspaper delivered and several are seen in the driveway, again, check on that neighbor. We had a recent example of that when a newspaper someone thought they had cancelled for the time they would be in Florida kept being delivered. The homeowner was notified by a neighbor and got it fixed.
- PLEASE pick up after your dog. More and more messes are being seen as dog walkers are not picking up. Take an extra bag with you to give to someone who needs to pick up but didn't bring a bag.

HOW CO-OWNERS SHOULD MAKE A MAINTENANCE OR GROUNDS ISSUE REQUEST

The SPLAT Board has established the following procedure to use as a co-owner when you have a maintenance or grounds issue or situation. The goal is to facilitate the most efficient response and resolution to your request.

When you have a maintenance or grounds issue or situation, please EMAIL the community manager Sarah Leveridge at sleveridge@ardsleymgmt.com. If you contact a Board member, that person will simply forward it to Sarah as our manager. If you give your request to an employee of a SPLAT-retained vendor, it will go to vendor management then to Sarah as our manager. Therefore, response will be more timely if you contact Sarah first by email.

An email request is preferable to a phone call because it creates a dated written record. If, however, the situation is an 'after-hours' emergency (i.e., a tree has fallen through your roof), call Ardsley at (317) 259-0398.

Sarah will acknowledge your request within two business days of receipt or by Monday if received on Friday and sooner if an emergency situation. If you do not receive an acknowledgment by that time, please resend your request to Sarah. If, within a second two-business-days period, you've still not heard back on your request, then bring the issue to the attention of the President of the Board.

Every effort will be made to resolve your request as soon as possible. Often resolution involves getting competitive bids on larger jobs and vendor scheduling situations as well as weather or materials delays. Sometimes the Board has to review a request before action can be taken where HOA responsibility may be in question.

Sarah will query you by email or phone when a work order is completed to determine if the work was acceptable or any issues remain.

Refer all work request concerns, suggestions or complaints involving vendors to Sarah. Ardsley upper management will be monitoring the adequacy of complaint resolution.

At each monthly Board meeting, Sarah provides a community work order status report so the Board can monitor work completion and community maintenance trends.

Your request is important. Be assured your manager and the Board understand this. Help us help you by following this request procedure.

**Use the 24-hour emergency number for time-sensitive damages such as a fallen tree/limb.
317-259-0398**

You must also talk with Ardsley before doing any work to your unit for which you will want reimbursement. Reimbursement cannot be guaranteed if the work is already done prior to notifying Ardsley. It is realized that there are emergencies when something needs to be done immediately. If that occurs, notify Ardsley as soon as possible .

Speed Limits, Stop Signs, and Walking in the Dark

Unfortunately, we have to remind everyone again that the **speed limit is 18 MPH** and there are stop signs in our neighborhood and in Tamarack 17. For the safety of everyone—walkers, pets, and drivers—please observe the speed limit and stop at the stop signs. It is difficult to get service vehicles to observe the speed limit and stop signs, but we can do our part by reminding family and visitors. Thank you.

Please remember to wear light clothing, clothing with reflective tape, or carry a flashlight when walking in the dark. It is very difficult to see people wearing just dark clothing until the vehicle gets close. Hopefully it won't be "too close." Even though the walker can see the cars, the driver can't necessarily see the walker. Also, you should walk at the side of the road not in the middle and facing the traffic so you can see approaching vehicles.

SPLAT Paint Numbers

If you need to do any painting on your unit, you can go to a Sherwin-Williams store on Michigan Rd and 86th St or in Carmel on Rangeline Rd. They have the information to get the correct color(s) for you. You can also get a discount as a co-owner because it is listed on the SPLAT painter contract, R.A.F. Be sure to tell them you are a co-owner at SPLAT to get the R.A.F. discount. These are custom color matches.

RAF SPLAT Green: A89W00153
RAF SPLAT Gray: A89W01151

If you need to repaint an old fence or paint a new one, you need to use SPLAT Gray.

Going to be away?

If you are going to be away for a weekend, a week, a month, please let a neighbor and/or your Crime Watch block captain know. There have been a few instances where papers were on the driveway for several days plus a full mailbox. No one knew if the person(s) were away or in their unit needing help. Giving someone a key is also helpful. Again, there have been instances where the "emergency key" has been used. Thankfully all of these times the outcomes have been positive. But, needless to say, there were some worried people for a while. There is a form in the Homeowner's Handbook to fill out and give to your block captain and a neighbor. Forms do not need to be used if only going away for a night or a weekend. Just let a neighbor know you will be gone. If you do not know who your block captain is, contact Bernie Pierce (317-418-2086; bpierceprc@yahoo.com).

For Your Safety.....

Always be aware of your surroundings, both at home and away. Note any unusual people lurking.

Never open your door to strangers. Your association does NOT approve vendors or solicitors unless it is a contractor requested for repair through Ardsley Management. You should be notified in advance if a contractor has been sent to your residence.

Keep your garage doors closed except when driving in and out of you garage.

Do not keep windows open at night. Be sure to set your alarm.

Consider having at least two lamps on timers at all times. Lights deter thieves.

Do not place outgoing mail in your box until late morning on delivery day. Not the day or evening before.

If walking your pet, please do not walk in the middle of the road. Stay to the side as some vendors and residents do not adhere to our speed limits. Also walk facing the traffic. You cannot always hear a vehicle coming from behind and this also lets a driver know you are aware of the vehicle.

Your alarm has a "STAY" and "AWAY" mode. Use your alarm. The "STAY" setting is for when you are home and may be moving about in your unit. The "AWAY" mode is for when you leave your premises. The association pays the cost of your alarm being monitored for your protection. Please use the system.

Do not allow overnight guests to park in the street. Either use your driveway or near parking pad.

Have your guest be sure to lock their vehicle.

Know your neighbors. Let them know if you will be gone for extended times. Make sure someone has access to your unit in an emergency and removes newspapers from your drive. Be sure to stop your paper and put on a mail hold.

Helpful phone numbers:

Star vacation hold/restart 888-357-7827

ADT security 800-878-7806

Ardsley Management 317-253-1401

Mail hold Can be done online Just be sure you use [USPS.gov](https://www.usps.gov) as there are others shown that charge fees.