

SPRINGMILL LAKES AT TAMARACK

SPLAT— The Quarterly Newsletter



Spring is here

SAVE THE DATE!

Annual SPLAT-Tam 17 Catered Picnic

Sunday, September 13, 2026—rain or shine

On Tamarack Drive by the pond

5:00 pm—7:30 pm

\$25 per person—guests welcome

Dinner by City BBQ

More information to come

Safety Tip

Gas and charcoal grills can produce carbon monoxide. Only use them outdoors in a well-ventilated area - never in a garage or other enclosed place, plus away from things that could catch fire such as fences.

Notes from COA Board President

Dear Neighbors,

Spring is trying to make itself known! All the plantings around the units add a lot to the neighborhood. A thank you to all for helping make SPLAT beautiful.

When considering any alterations to the condo (inside or outside), please consult the SPLAT handbook that can be accessed on our website (springmilllakesattamarack.com). All changes that impact structure require approval by board. The planting of annual flowers doesn't need Board approval. All landscaping changes and ornamental additions must be approved. Bushes, trees and perennials are considered to be landscaping.

Reminder: Items hung on the exterior are discouraged and require approval by the board.

Warm regards,

Katie Betley
President

Chimneys

- *All chimneys must be inspected by a licensed chimney inspector, regardless of whether you plan to use the fireplace.*
- *If you have not yet submitted the **SPLAT Fireplace Inspection Form** to Kirkpatrick, please do so as soon as possible. If you do not plan to use your fireplace, check the first box concerning not using your fireplace. Completion of this form is required. You can obtain a form from KMC.*

Volunteers for trash pickup along 96th Street



Trash Pickup Crew: L-R Gretchen Voller, Peggy Stuart, Nancy Snively, Greg Harker, Mary Oldham. Not in the photo, Dick Kitterman and Bernie Pierce
Seven bags of trash of various categories including car parts and a plastic pipe. The hub cap may be Greg Harker's missing from his Nissan. Greg's lucky day!

Spring has come to the Nature Preserve. Photographs courtesy of our resident Richard Darlington.



Butterflies, Butterflies, Butterflies

Our neighborhood is celebrating its 10th year banding Monarch butterflies, an at-risk species whose populations have dropped sharply. Over the past decade this project has continued to grow, and last year over 800 Monarchs were banded.

At the beginning of May this year, there were already more than 80 eggs, that will metamorphous first into caterpillars, then chrysalis and finally beautiful monarchs ready to receive bands and take flight.

Milkweed leaves are essential for the caterpillars and they are voracious eaters. Fortunately, several neighbors involved in the banding project grow milkweed around their homes. If you would like to participate by growing milkweed and/or banding, please contact Mary Oldham (oldham.mary@att.net), Nancy Snively (nsnively@att.net), or Betty Yan (scbyan@gmail.com).

All of us can have the satisfaction of knowing our neighborhood is playing a role in saving and protecting these beautiful Monarch butterflies for the future.



Here is the link to a 44 minutes docudrama - Flight of The Butterflies. This docudrama shows how the overwintering site of the Monarch butterflies was discovered, the migration of Monarchs and the life cycle of this butterfly. It was a citizen science project starting back in the 1950s.

https://tubitv.com/movies/476187/flight-of-the-butterflies?start=true&tracking=google-feed&utm_source=google-feed

Welcome to our newest residents

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Units for sale

9308 Spring Forest Dr

Architectural Control Form Submissions

If you are planning on changing or adding to your landscaping, don't forget to turn in an Architectural Control Form. To ensure that your request is on the agenda, your form must be received by the Kirkpatrick Management Company at least 7 days prior to the COA Board meetings, which are on the third Monday of the month. This will allow Board members time to review your request before the meeting. The Architectural Control Form and instructions for completing and sending the form can be found on page 15 in the 2023 Handbook. You **MUST** submit an Architectural Control form and get board approval **BEFORE** the project begins.

Going to be away?

If you are going to be away for a weekend, a week, a month or longer, 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 Les Magnés (317-294-0800, lmagnes@iu.edu).

SPLAT Website

Please visit our SPLAT Website to review SPLAT documents, Homeowner's Handbook, past newsletters, COA Board meeting minutes, and other information at: www.springmilllakesattamarack.com. All the documents on our website contain important information. However, the most important document is the Homeowner's Handbook. It has concise information concerning rules and regulations. **Please be sure to note important contact information on pages 8, 9, and 10.**

Mulching Guidelines



Mulching landscaping beds is an excellent way to enhance your yard appearance. It is important to note that too much mulch can cause issues shown in the included photos. It is important to follow the guidelines in the Handbook and presented in this notice. It is a common practice to add mulch each year. This causes mulch build up as shown in the photos. It is recommended that old mulch be removed to eliminate build up and, in some cases, mulching every other year is a good practice to consider.

ADT

The Springmill Lakes at Tamarack 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. ADT comes every Fall to check the fire alarms in your unit. If you are on another system, KMC must have an alarm certificate from that company on file.



All representatives **must** confirm your verbal password before assisting you in order to confirm your identity.

If you have forgotten your password, you can request it be mailed to you at your account address.

You may also change your password by logging onto www.MyADT.com:

- Sign into your MyADT.com account (or register if you haven't already).
- Select the **Account** tab.
- Select the **Profile** tab.
- Click the **Edit** link and enter your Verbal Security Password, then press **Save**.

Speed Limits, Stop Signs, and Walking in the Dark



Unfortunately, we need 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. The curves north of the lake are dangerous. People drive over the speed limit and do not look out for oncoming traffic. There have been some near misses. And obey **ALL** stop signs including the one at Cedar Springs and Tamarack - by the 96th St gate.

Please remember to wear light clothing, clothing with reflective tape, or carry a flashlight when walking at dusk or 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 and the driver knows you see them.

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Street Address: 5702 Kirkpatrick Way
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For any problems/concerns you may have with your unit you need to contact Dan Courtney at KMC. He is the go-to person rather than a board member.

You must also talk with KMC 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 KMC. It is realized that there are emergencies when something needs to be done immediately. If that occurs, notify KMC as soon as possible. Amanda Bales can be copied on e-mails sent to Dan Courtney as she assists him with the "easier" tasks.

Helpful Phone Numbers:

1. Indianapolis Star vacation hold/start 888-357-7827
2. AES -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. KMC-office phone 317-588-8736
6. LRS (trash/recycle) 317-245-4444
7. Mail hold/restart Can be done online. Just be sure you use USPS.gov as there are others shown that charge fees. It is also a good idea to use the yellow hold/forward cards provided by the post office. Those can be given directly to the post office or put in mailbox for carrier to pick up. This ensures that the post office actually gets it.

Springmill Lakes Crime Watch Assignments

Find your street and then look for your address to find your block captain. Report any suspicious activity to your block captain and/or call 911. Keep your garage doors closed. Set your alarm when leaving your condo.

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