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Two Board positions will be open for election in May. Call AMC by 4/8/16.

Spring has sprung!



March 16, 2016 MEETING

Laura Farkas welcomed everyone and introduced Norm Rhea, Maryland Heights Ward 4 Councilman. Other attendees introduced were: Keith McCracken, AMC, Rob Adelson, AMC Maintenance/Groundsperson, board members Laura Farkas, Shah Smith, Andrea Crouch and Sonya Ptah, and new resident, Godwin Soares.

Association Management Report by Keith McCracken

Autumn Lakes Association as of 2/29/16 was \$140 under budget on assessment income YTD and \$3,612 under budget on expenses YTD. Autumn Lakes Condominiums as of 2/29/16 was \$2,152 under budget on income YTD and \$28,957 under budget on expenses YTD.

The spring clean-up began March 8th and was to be completed the week of March 14th. Mulching began on Monday, March 21, 2016. Shrub trimming will be the last week of May / first week of June. Rob and Dave have completed the spring fertilizer/pre-emergent for the lawns.

These items are being bid for work this year:

- 8 retaining walls to be replaced:
 - ◆ Clubhouse wall at the A/C units ◆ 12109 Autumn Lakes Drive ◆ 3122 Autumn Trace Drive
 - ◆ 3100 Autumn Trace Drive (side) ◆ 3100-3110 Autumn Trace Drive (rear) ◆ 11911 Autumn Trace Court
 - ◆ 3152 Autumn Shores Drive ◆ 11930 Autumn Lakes Drive
 - ◆ 10 sidewalks, 2 porches and 4 concrete driveways for full or partial replacement
 - ◆ 8 asphalt driveways for replacement as well as 14 asphalt driveways for repairs
 - ◆ 2 asphalt lots are being estimated for possible replacement
- ◆ Buildings due for painting this year are:

12020-12034 Autumn Lakes Drive
 12010-12018 Autumn Lakes Drive
 12000-12008 Autumn Lakes Drive
 3190-3198 Autumn Trace Drive

3174-3184 Autumn Trace Drive
 3187-3193 Autumn Trace Drive
 3173-3183 Autumn Trace Drive
 3150-3158 Autumn Trace Drive

All of these were inspected and rated according to condition during our fall walk-through. Notice will be given prior to any work being performed.

The maintenance crew has been busy removing the old wrought iron pool fence, the wooden pool deck and the old wooden retaining wall at the pool. A new stone retaining wall is being installed. A new concrete pool deck will replace the wooden deck and a new aluminum maintenance-free fence will be installed, all prior to the pool opening on May 28th. Rob and Dave saved us a considerable sum of money by removing the old wall, fence and deck.

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A trashy subject



- Trash and Recycle Pick-up is on **TUESDAY** morning.
- If Monday is a national holiday, pick-up will be on **WEDNESDAY** morning.
- Yard Waste Pick up is on Monday morning.

If at all possible, **PLEASE PUT YOUR CONTAINERS OUT no earlier than the night before, preferably after 6 pm.**

Trash totes and cans should be stored away the evening after pickup. Help keep our neighborhood looking neat.

Allow 3 feet between the big totes and anything else so the trucks can mechanically pick them up.

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In memory of ...
 Our Condolences to the family of Larry Padberg, a long-time Autumn Lakes resident and past Board Member. Larry passed away this past March. He will be greatly missed.

Welcome Committee



If you would like to participate in and bring your ideas together with others, contact Christine Melton at: (314) 560-5705 or meltonchristine17@gmail.com

The next Autumn Lakes Association meeting will be held on 5/18/16 at 7 pm. TRUSTEE ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD AT THIS MEETING.

The new clubhouse ceiling is to be installed in early April. The fountains have been re-installed in the lakes, the lake aeration pump has been repaired and Rob and Dave have treated the lakes for algae. The lakes are looking very good.

Residents are required to obtain an approval letter from the AMC Management office prior to having a **satellite dish** installed. The letter instructs the installer where the dish may be installed. Dish companies are well aware that they must have this letter prior to installing at condos or apartment complexes.

With spring upon us, please remember to contact AMC Management if you are planning any landscape changes, windows, storm doors, awnings, garage doors, decks or any alterations to the exterior of your unit. AMC will notify the Board and a Board member will contact you. Board approval is required prior to starting the work.

As always, please call 314-291-1450 if you have a work request, questions or concerns or email at keith@amcassociation.com.

Laura Farkas

Laura reminded residents about our AL website: autumn-lakesstl.com for news about upcoming events, gazettes, rules and FAQs. Contact Laura or Christine if you would like access to *NextDoor.com*. It can be used to advertise garage sales, sell items, recommend contractors or restaurants, share information, etc. You must be invited to join by someone that is already participating.

Trustee terms ending in May are Shah Smith and Sonya Ptah. Elections will be held in May.

Owners interested in being trustees need to notify Cindy at AMC by Friday, April 8th and provide the completed information form by Friday, April 15th. The information form will require the prospective candidate's name, address, occupation, how long the candidate has been a resident, and the reason(s) the candidate wants to be a trustee. Trustees must be an owner during their term of office and be in good standing with their fees.

The prospective trustee information forms will be sent to residents with the ballot by May 4th so that residents can review the information prior to voting.

Trustees have reviewed the Satellite Dish rules. Updates are in this gazette and will be added to the AL website.

Andrea reported

Andrea attended the quarterly Maryland Heights meeting with the Mayor and neighboring Associations. She met Maryland Heights Chief of Police, Bill Carson, and learned that the Maryland Heights Police Department will earn full national accreditation in May 2016. Norm Rhea offered to assist in getting the Chief of Police as a guest

speaker at one of our resident meetings.

Several surrounding areas are experiencing some crime, however, none in Autumn Lakes. Keeping your garage doors closed is a good deterrent.

Questions/Comments from Residents

- An owner commented that there are satellite dishes that are not properly connected and suggest that a letter be sent to the residents for these to be removed.
- A question was asked about the decks being painted and stained. Keith explained that the decks are the owner's responsibility, however, as a courtesy when the buildings are painted, the decks are stained and painted as well. Before painting your deck, please contact AMC Management.
- If your building is being painted, Mark, the painter, will let residents know if he notices repairs needed.
- A resident expressed concern that her back area is mostly dead grass. Keith explained that some of the grass is still dormant and should green up later in the spring.
- Butch Rhomberg, who is in charge of the RV lot, reported that it is completely full.
- A black van has been parked on the street directly behind a driveway on Autumn Trace Dr .for 3 months and has not moved. Keith will inquire about it.
- A resident on Autumn Trace Court asked about re-surfacing the street, which is maintained by Autumn Lakes and not the city. The grates are in bad condition. Keith said this street is not on the list for this year. It was also noted that the street is very dark, especially in the winter and asked if it possible to get a street light. The trustees will look at several areas that might need additional street lights and request them from the city.
- A resident asked if there is a list of resources for services on our AL website. Nextdoor.com is the best place for this.
- Mulch was requested to be placed under the bench around the lake. Keith responded that mulch should be put under all the benches.
- A question was asked if there are restrictions on the type of storm doors or exterior lights. Yes, they should match the other doors that are currently on adjoining units. Exterior lights on the garages should be similar to others on the building. As with all repairs, these should be reviewed by the AL Board committee prior to installation.

Social Committee Report by Christine Melton

❖ **Saturday, April 23 at 6:30—Wine Tasting**
(space limited to 20—RSVP Early!)

RSVP by April 16: Laura Farkas (314) 770-9442

Place: AL Clubhouse **Cost:** \$10 per person

❖ **Saturday, May 14—Subdivision Garage Sale**

❖ **Saturday, May 21—Trivia Night** (watch for postcard!)

RSVP will be required; **No Charge.** Bring a snack to share with your table. Soda, wine & beer provided.

Prizes will be awarded to the winning table.

❖ **Sunday, August 7—Pool Party & Ice Cream Social**

Autumn Lakes provides the Fried Chicken and Ice Cream, residents bring goodies to share!

❖ **Sunday, October 1—AutumnFest**

❖ **Saturday, November 12—Beer Tasting**

For your information

Rules for Installation of Satellite Dishes and Other Broadcast Devices

Please read these rules prior to contracting with a satellite broadcast service provider for video/internet service. Contact AMC Management if questions arise, 314-291-1450.

1. These rules apply to *all* installations of satellite dishes and associated hardware, including cables, used to receive video programming and include direct broadcast satellite (DBS), television broadcast, and multipoint distribution service (MDS).
2. Installations should be performed by a professional installer/contractor, who carries contractor general liability insurance of at least \$1,000,000 and provides workers' compensation in compliance with the laws of the state of Missouri. All installations shall be performed in a manner that conforms to applicable local, state, federal laws, and safety codes.
 - i. Autumn Lakes assumes no liability for property damages or injury from the installation, removal, use, or maintenance of satellite dishes or other equipment.
 - ii. All costs associated with the installation, repair, maintenance, and removal of a satellite dish and associated hardware are the responsibility of the resident/owner.
3. All installations must be approved by AMC Management prior to starting.
4. Satellite dishes larger than standard size (not to exceed 39" inches in diameter) are not permitted.
5. Whenever possible, satellite dishes are to be installed on the deck of the resident's unit. This is in accordance with the "exclusive usage" area as described in the Federal Communication Commission Order, "Over the Air Reception Devices" (OTARD).
6. If the resident/owner has been denied service because no "line of sight" is possible from the resident's deck, a waiver request to install the dish on "common ground" must be approved by AMC Management on behalf of the Autumn Lakes Board of Trustees before any installation can proceed. The waiver is available at the AMC Management office.
7. SATELLITE DISHES ARE NOT EVER TO BE INSTALLED ON THE ROOF OF THE UNIT.
8. Unsightly installations such as wires running up the side of buildings, wires fed through vents, etc., will not be permitted. Penetrations through exterior walls shall be limited to one per unit. The dish or device selected should be esthetically pleasing, and blend into the color scheme of the building. It is the responsibility of the resident/owner to maintain the appearance and repair of the satellite dish and associated hardware. This includes the repair or replacement of any damage to common or resident/owner property.
9. If any provision of these rules is violated, the Association may impose a fine of \$50.00 for the initial violation and \$10.00 per day that the violation continues after notification.
10. The dish may be removed by the Association if it was installed without authorization or in violation of the rules.

The next SOCIAL COMMITTEE MEETING is scheduled for **Monday, May 9th at 6:30 pm.**

Watch for the notice on NextDoor.com

We would love to have your help! Even if you can just help move tables at an event or help us clean up.

Let us know what you can do to participate.

Call Christine at (314) 560-5705.

If anyone has photos of events or of the subdivision to share with residents, she would love to add them to the gazette. Just give her a call!

Thank you, Pat!

A big THANK YOU goes to Pat Albers of Autumn Trace Drive, who for YEARS, has labeled and stamped our Gazettes. We appreciate your consistently cheerful volunteerism and dedication to our neighborhood.

Thank you, Pat!