

The Official Newsletter of the Hidden Lake Estates HOA

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SPRING HOME IMPROVEMENTS

<u>Mailbox Posts</u>

Now that spring has arrived, please check the condition of your mailbox posts. Many posts in the neighborhood need to be repainted. Other posts are simply rotting and need to be replaced. If you need to paint your mailbox post, you can purchase the paint from PPG Paints (formerly Porter Paints). They are located at 10009 E. Washington Street behind CVS Pharmacy. PPG has our subdivision's mailbox post paint color on file under the name of Hidden Lake Estates. If you need to replace your posts, please contact Otto's Streetscape Solutions. They are located at 2449 E. Main St., Greenwood, IN 46143. Their phone number is (317) 886-4400.

Should you be interested in repairing your mailbox post yourself, you may want to consider using Bondo Wood Filler. One of our neighbors replaced the rotten wood in their mailbox post with wood filler followed by sanding and repainting. Bondo Wood Filler can be purchased at any hardware store. Feel free to reach out to Terry should you be interested in knowing more about this product.

Vinyl Siding

Should the siding on your home have mildew, algae, grime, or dirt buildup, you may want to contact a professional that cleans vinyl siding using the Soft Washing Method. Soft washing is an effective and gentle method that uses low pressure to apply a mixture of water and cleaning solution to the siding. It effectively removes mildew, algae, moss and dirt buildup. Soft Washing uses a pressure washer that has been adjusted to reduce the pressure of the water output, but not the volume of water output. What this means is that the pressure washer still puts out several gallons of water per minute, but at a reduced pressure. Soft Washing is safer and more effective than Power Washing in that it does not damage or dislodge the siding on your home.

Lawn Care

Routine lawn care makes the neighborhood look inviting. This includes weed control and grass cutting. Early spring and fall are the most effective times to apply a pre-emergent herbicide to prevent dandelions and other annoying weeds. If your time is limited, there are lawn care professionals who can assist you in keeping your lawn looking beautiful all year long. Should you need the names of reputable lawn care



professionals, you can either ask the neighbors close to you or simply reach out to the community through Nextdoor.com.

Architectural Changes

Remember if you want to make architectural changes to your property (i.e. fences, decks, storage sheds/outbuildings, swimming pools, etc.) you will need to complete an Architectural Review Form and submit it to the board for approval "before" you begin the work. The form can be found on our neighborhood website at <u>www.hleindy.com</u>. The board will make a decision and respond back to all requests within 5 business days.

WELCOME TO NEW RESIDENTS

The board welcomes to the Hidden Lake Estates community!

Austin Jacobs and Kaylas Craig 11132 Bear Hollow Dr

Milton and Nichole Whitney 11047 Bear Hollow Dr

Robert Gordon Family 11203 E Birdsong Dr.,

Hidden Lake Estates Community Garage Sale Saturday, May 18th.



We love the dogs in this neighborhood as they are man's best and loyal friends. However, when you walk your dog, please pick up any poop they may excrete onto our sidewalks. The Board understands that people from other neighborhoods walk their dogs in ours and we will discuss this matter with other neighboring HOAs. However, for everyone that resides in our neighborhood, please make sure you bring along a pooper scooper or any other mechanism to pick up your dog's waste. Also, please make sure that as you walk your dogs they are on a leash.

COVENANT CORNER

This quarter's focus is on HLE Covenant Rule #12. This rule addresses nuisances. The HLE Covenant Rule #12 states, "No offensive trade shall be permitted upon any lot in this subdivision nor shall anything be done thereon which may be a nuisance or annoyance to the neighborhood. No refuse will be maintained on the lot. Garbage and trash shall be kept in containers which are not visible from the street, except on collection day." Below is a short list of examples the Board has been notified about that fit into the nuisance category.

- 1) Running a used car sales business from home with buyers test driving these vehicles through our neighborhood.
- 2) Having a backyard that looks like a junkyard.
- 3) Leaving trash cans by the road or in front of the home where they can be seen after collection day.
- 4) Loud music especially at night.

Let's all work at keeping our neighborhood looking good and help make our community an enjoyable place to live for everyone!



BUS STOP Etiquette

Parents and students, please be mindful that when you are waiting for the school bus, at the designated bus stops, please *do not* use it as a trash dumping area. The Board has been notified that un-eaten breakfast, utensils, soda cans and other trash is being left at bus stops for homeowners living by the bus stops to pick up. Your neighbors should not be made responsible to pick up your discarded trash. Keeping our neighborhood looking clean and respectable is a responsibility of everyone that resides in it.





- 1) ESW has confirmed that during the month of April they are planning to repair the yards that were damaged by their snow plows this winter.
- 2) Also during the month of April, your HOA Board members will be coming through the neighborhood with a petition for the City of Indianapolis Department of Public Works to evaluate the streets within our neighborhood. We need everyone's support with this very important initiative. Only the registered name(s) of the homeowner(s) can sign the petition. If there is a specific time you would like the Board to stop by your home, please send us a note on our neighborhood website at <u>www.hleindy.com</u>. We will explain more about the petition when we come to your home. In addition to the petition, the Board is pursuing an audience with our City Council representative, David Ray, to attend a special meeting with board members from several neighborhoods to discuss our streets and issues related to them.
- 3) There will be an organized weekend cleanup of the wooded area surrounding the lake in May/June timeframes. The Board will post the specific date on <u>Nextdoor.com</u> when it has been determined. We greatly need volunteers to assist with the cleanup. If you are not on Nextdoor.com, please join!