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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

The annual Wind Meadows Corporation (WMC) Members' Meeting was held on Tuesday, January 21st and it was quite an event. More than 40 residents were in attendance raising questions and giving opinions on a variety of topics for more than three hours. Most of the dialogue was informative and constructive and will be used by the WMC Board when forming new Guidelines and Procedures. I found it reassuring that so many residents are committed to making the Wind Meadows community a more vibrant and appealing place to reside. However, due to the stressful nature of the meeting, I have been advised to relax for a few weeks in a warmer, more golf-friendly environment -- alas, the challenges of life.

Other news, longtime WMC site manager, Renee Michna has announced her retirement, effective mid-February 2020. Renee has been assisting Wind Meadow residents for more than 28 years and she will be greatly missed. Her ability to deal with issues, both major and minor, while retaining an unflappable demeanor has made Renee a doyen in the WM office. She has counseled board members, including myself, and new residents in solving the mysteries of the associations Guidelines, Rules and Regulations and has helped ensure that problems are dealt with in an efficient and timely manner -- once again, she will be greatly missed. Renee will be in the WM office on Tuesdays until February 19- please stop in to say goodbye and let her know how much the Wind Meadows community has appreciated her years of service.

On the Lighter Side:

A true story -- One day, shortly after joining the PGA tour in 1965, Lee Trevino, a professional golfer and a married man, was at his home in Dallas, Texas mowing his front lawn, as he always did. A lady driving by in a large, shiny Cadillac stopped in front of his house, lowered the car window and asked, "Excuse me, do you speak English?" Lee responded, "Yes Ma'am, I do." The lady then asked, "What do you charge to do yard work?" Lee said, "Well, the woman in this house lets me sleep with her." The lady hurriedly put the car into gear and sped off.

President, Bob Randleman

MEETING SCHEDULE

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE:

Meetings held as needed. ARC requests must be submitted **30 days** prior to Board meetings.

WIND MEADOWS CORPORATION (WMC) BOARD:

Tuesday, February 25 at 7:00 p.m.
upper level of the Leisure Center

WMC GARDEN CLUB

The next meeting of the WM Garden Club is scheduled for April 8, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. in the WM Leisure Center. This summer the WM Garden Club will be recruiting helpers to work on the flower garden circle in front of the Leisure Center and planning a garden tour.

THANK YOU

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of you for the many good years (28) as the Site Manager at Wind Meadows. It has been a pleasure being part of this beautiful community. I am excited to be moving on to the next chapter of my life - RETIREMENT! I look forward to traveling and filling my days spending time with family and friends. My best to all of you.

Renee Michna

WMC HOMES SOLD IN 2019

Patio Homes –	5
Single Family Homes –	11
Manor Homes –	3
Village Homes –	4
Prairie Meadow Home -	<u>1</u>
	24

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC)

All exterior changes need prior approval from the WMC Board of Directors and the ARC. This applies to **ALL** residents in Wind Meadows (**Single Family, Manor, Patio, Garden, Village and Prairie Meadow Homes**).

An "ARC Request for Change" form is available on the WMC website or contact the WMC office. ARC submissions

should include before and after pictures. ARC meetings are held as needed and Board meetings are normally on the fourth Tuesday of every month. Requests are due 30 days prior to the Board meeting. After approval, it is the homeowner's responsibility to obtain any necessary building permits, etc. required by the Village of Wind Point.

RELIABLE PROPERTY SERVICES

SNOW REMOVAL will begin in the **Patio, Garden, Village, Manor and Prairie Meadows Homes** when snow accumulation on the ground reaches 1-inch wet or 2-inches dry from one or more snowfalls, and snow removal will continue around the clock if necessary. Courts will be opened first, then the parking spaces and driveways. To avoid damage, the plows will leave approximately two feet of snow in front of garage doors. If you knock down a snow stake, let the WMC office know. Snow removal for homeowner's sidewalks is not included. Vehicles in visitor parking areas should be moved the day after a snowfall to allow the plows to clear the snow.

The Village of Wind Point plows Single Family Courts

Please note that salting is not included in the snow removal contract. For your safety, you should salt or sand any especially slippery areas.

PARKING AT PATIO, MANOR, PRAIRIE MEADOW AND VILLAGE HOMES

Overnight parking in private driveways is not permitted in Patio, Manor, Garden and Prairie Meadow Homes. Residents' vehicles must be parked in their garages. This is to protect you and your neighbors in case of an emergency. The visitor parking areas remain temporary. Work vehicles are not permitted overnight in driveways or visitor parking areas.

The courts and driveways should not be obstructed or used for any purpose other than access to and from the homes.

REMINDERS

- ★ Be careful of thin ice on Meadow Lake.
- ★ Wear reflective clothing and/or carry a light to make yourself more visible while walking or bicycling,
- ★ For your protection, lock your doors and close your garage when you leave.
- ★ **Inform your newspaper delivery person to deliver your paper in the paper box**, not in your drive during the winter. Your newspaper may be damaged by snowplows during snow removal.
- ★ **Christmas decorations should be removed by Jan. 15.**
- ★ If you notice that a streetlight, post light or garbage bin light is out; please call the WMC office with the specific location. In the private courts, WMC is experimenting with replacing burned out bulbs with new efficient, LED light bulbs. These may seem a little brighter. Please inform the office of your opinion.

PET OWNER'S

Please do not walk your dogs in your neighbor's yards. Walk them in your yard or common areas. Your pet(s) must be leashed when outside of your condominium or outside of a single-family yard. If you see a loose pet, please contact the Village of Wind Point Police. They will issue a citation.

BE SMART AND BE ALERT

To protect yourself and your home, please do not feed the squirrels, birds or any wildlife. When they are attracted to your home, they can do serious damage to your homes' wood siding and may even nest in your attic or chimney. Feeding the wildlife can also bring predators.

Coyotes have been seen in WMC for several years. They are usually wary of humans and will avoid people whenever possible. Aggressive behavior toward people is not normal. Never leave small children unattended outside. Coyotes are drawn by the availability of food.

The Village of Wind Point does not allow the discharge of firearms or bow and arrows for the purpose of hunting coyotes. Residents may trap coyotes if they hire their own licensed private contracting service to carry out the trapping activities on their own property. Check with the Village of Wind Point at 639-3524 if you have any concerns or questions.

WINTER PREVENTATIVE MEASURE

Check outlets and power cords. Electrical appliances are the 4th leading cause of fires in the home and many can be prevented by a simple check of the health of your cords and outlets. All you need to do is walk around your home and inspect your cords, outlets, and surge protectors. Make sure the cords are not frayed, especially paying attention to where they bend. Confirm that there are no burn marks around any outlets and spend a minute or so with each outlet and surge protector, listening for any zips or zaps. Replace any that do. This is also a good opportunity to unplug any electrical devices that you don't use regularly and may be leaching electricity and costing you money.

Replace the air filters in your HVAC system to keep it running more efficiently. Old filters can reduce air flow forcing your equipment to work harder. This causes parts like fans and blowers to wear faster, especially during the winter. A \$10 filter can save you thousands in repairs.

Clean your refrigerator coils. You can eliminate more than 70% of service calls with this simple cleaning step. Condenser coils are located on the back of the fridge or across the bottom. These coils cool and condense the refrigerant. When coils are clogged with dirt, dust and/or pet hair, they cannot efficiently release heat. The result is your compressor works harder and longer than it was designed to, using more energy and shortening the life of your refrigerator. Clean the coils with a coil cleaning brush and vacuum

GARBAGE and RECYCLING

Please do NOT put your garbage out the night before garbage and/or recycling pickup. It gives the animals and wind extra time to scatter garbage and recycling from containers on to private property and the common areas.

JOHN'S DISPOSAL SERVICE, INC.

- Please put your garbage out on Monday morning before 7 a.m., ***not the night before.***
- Recycling collection is every other Monday. February dates are the 10th and 24th.
- Pick-up of large items and overflow trash must be scheduled with John's.
- Do not put electronic items in regular garbage. Most household electronic items are banned from landfills in Wisconsin, because they contain potentially hazardous materials: such as lead and mercury, that can pose a risk to human health and the environment.

For more information, contact John's Disposal at (262) 473-4700 and/or <http://www.johnsdisposal.com>. Review nearby certified electronics recyclers used by the DNR: <https://wisconsin.dnr.gov/shinyapps.io/EcycleCollectorSite>.