



Wind Meadows

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Over the last few years, Wind Meadows has been besieged by a new invasive plant: pokeweed. The berries, roots, and leaves are all toxic.

Pokeweed is not native to Wisconsin, but is tolerant of a wide range of conditions. Winter kills off only the above-ground growth. The plant remains viable at root level and comes back every spring. It displaces native species, and spreads by seed, dispersed by birds that are unaffected by the toxins.

Unlike garlic mustard, another of our invasives, pokeweed cannot be easily pulled out by the root. It has a large, thick taproot that will break off, sprouting again. Digging out may be a preferred method, though you may also get rid of pokeweed permanently by spraying the leaves with a glyphosate-based solution, a non-selective herbicide. If you do spray, please take care to protect yourself with gloves, goggles, and long sleeves and long pants. Here is a helpful article on the subject:

<https://www.thespruce.com/pokeweed-identification-removal-6273836>



May 2023

BOARD MEETING

The May Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for **Monday, May 15 at 6:30pm**. The meeting will be held in person at the LC clubhouse and also via tele/video conference. Information on how to join the meeting remotely will be sent to your email prior to the meeting and should not be shared with anyone other than members of the Wind Meadows Corporation.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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WASHINGTON PROPERTIES, INC.

Carrie Amos, WM Project Manager
WPI Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 8:30am-4:30pm
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Phone: 262-639-8974
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Email: wmc@wpiracine.com
Community Website: windmeadows.org
Village Website: windpoint.org
Wind Point Police 262-639-3022

JOHN'S DISPOSAL SERVICE, INC.

All trash must be in a secure and sanitary container and may not be placed outside earlier than 6:00 p.m. the night before scheduled pickup. Garbage cans must be stored out of sight the same day following pickup. Recycling collection is every other Monday unless the Monday is a holiday, May recycling dates are May 1st, 15th and 29th. For more information contact Johns Disposal at (262) 473-4700.

2023 POOL NEWS

Saturday, June 3, 2023 through Monday, September 4, 2023

Adult Swim Only/Aqua Aerobics: Mon-Fri: 10am-11am

Open Swim: June 3 - August 15, Weekdays 11am-8pm, Weekends 10am-8pm

Open Swim: August 16 - Sept 4th, Weekdays 11am-7pm, Weekends 10am-7pm

Guest fees are currently \$5.00 per guest per visit.

Swimming lessons will be offered on a private or semi-private or group basis. Registration begins Monday, May 15th. If you are interested please reach out to Mikala at mlewis@wpiracine.com.

Bathroom/Showers: The bathrooms/showers will be cleaned once a week. Please do your best to keep the bathrooms tidy and take personal belongings with you daily. If you encounter a maintenance issue or other when using the facilities, please contact 262-639-8974 or email wmc@wpiracine.com so repairs or supplies can be tended to immediately.



2023 TENNIS COURTS

The tennis courts are open mid-April. To ensure that only WMC members and their guests use the courts please carry your WM I.D. card.

The guest fee is \$3.00 per day.

Please make your reservations through the reservation link:

<https://wmctennis.skedda.com>

The Tennis Court Reservations link is also posted on the Home page under "Quick Links" on the windmeadows.org website.

WILD GARLIC MUSTARD

If you are so inclined, **please start pulling wild garlic mustard, see picture below**, as soon as you see it growing. The garlic mustard around your homes and in the common wooded areas is quite severe. The best way to control this obnoxious invasive weed is to pull it out. Pulling it in the spring while the ground is soft will be much easier to get the entire plant, including the root. Each plant can release hundreds of seeds when mature, and it spreads fast. After pulling, put it in a black plastic bag, labeled "GARLIC MUSTARD" and put it out with the garbage any Monday morning. **DO NOT LEAVE IT ALONG THE ROADSIDE UNBAGGED.**

MORE POOL INFO

WMC I.D. card required

- Everyone entering the pool area must sign in.
- Guest fees are currently \$5.00 per person per visit.
- The pool will be closed when the air temperature is below 65° and during electrical storms.
- The pool water temperature will be 82 degrees.
- Children in diapers must wear plastic pants under their bathing suit or wear an appropriate swim diaper.
- Children age twelve and under must be accompanied by a parent or a qualified sitter (at least thirteen years old).
- Pool Rules are posted on the cabana.
- Lifeguards have full authority to enforce pool rules.
- NO GLASS is allowed in the pool area.
- Private Pool Parties – 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. (one or two hours). Exclusive use, \$70 an hour includes two lifeguards. Contact the office to set up an after hours pool party, dates and times are limited to lifeguard availability.



ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE (ARC)

REMINDER: **ALL exterior changes** need **prior approval** from the ARC and the WMC Board of Directors. This applies to **ALL** residents in Wind Meadows.

How do I start this process?

An "ARC" change application form is available on the WMC website windmeadows.org or you can contact the WMC office at wmc@wpiracine.com. Change applications should include details of the exterior change, including pictures if possible. The application can be emailed, mailed, or hand delivered to the main WMC office at 6939 Mariner Drive, Racine, WI 53406. ARC meetings are held as needed with final approval during the Board meeting, typically held on the third Monday of every month. Requests are due 15 days prior to the Board meeting. After approval, it is the homeowner's responsibility to obtain any necessary building permits required by the Village of Wind Point and/or call Diggers Hotline depending on the scope of the project.



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BRANCH COLLECTION

Wind Point Public Works collects branches from residents for disposal on the second Tuesday of each month, **from April to November**. Branch piles do not require a yard waste sticker to be collected.

In order to provide this service efficiently, the following rules apply:

1. Branch collection is for tree maintenance (trimming branches) NOT tree removal. Property owners who have landscapers or other individuals cut down trees on their property are responsible for branch disposal.
2. Branches should not exceed 4 inches in diameter. Branches should be kept at their original length and not cut into smaller pieces.
3. Branches should be placed by the road in small, reasonably uniform piles. Piles should not exceed 4 feet in height and 4 feet in width. Pile branches with the cut end toward the road, all in the same direction.
4. Branch piles should be set out near the edge of the road away from mailboxes or other obstructions. Piles should be set out no earlier than the Saturday before collection day (72 hours). Piles set out too early or late can be tagged with a notice indicating the resident has 48 hours to remove the items. Tags will be noted with the date and time that they were placed. If branches are not removed within 48 hours as stated on the tag, a special collection will be arranged with Johns Disposal and the resident will be charged.
5. Stumps, vines, root balls, roots, rocks, brush, rubbish, construction material or metal will NOT be collected.

DOG POOP CLEAN UP

All dog owners are reminded to do their part and clean up after their dog. Dog waste is a nuisance to neighbors, as well as, ground maintenance crews. Dog waste is also one of the top contributors to contamination of stormwater runoff, which has a significant impact on area streams and Lake Michigan. **IMPORTANT NOTE: IF YOU DO NOT CLEAN UP DOG WASTE FROM YOUR YARD THE GROUNDS MAINTENANCE CREW WILL SKIP CUTTING, TRIMMING AND BLOWING UNTIL IT IS CLEANED UP.**

VILLAGE OF WIND POINT PERMITS

A permit is required for a variety of building, electrical, plumbing and heating/ventilation/air-conditioning projects. Please contact a Village inspector to discuss permit requirements and fees. The building and HVAC inspector is Al Kosterman (262-989-9215), electrical inspector is Gregg Hansen (262-977-0488) and plumbing inspector is Rick Herman (262-498-3191). Please note that although contractors are usually hired to complete the work, it is ultimately the homeowner's responsibility to ensure that permits were properly obtained prior to starting the work. The fees are doubled for permits obtained after work has started; work conducted without permits may be subject to forfeiture. Download permit applications on the [Licenses & Permits](#) page. Submit applications and fees to the Village Office at 215 E. Four Mile Rd., Racine, WI 53402. A stamped, addressed envelope must be included with mailed submissions for return of your permit placard. When work is complete, contact the inspector to schedule the inspection.

YARD WASTE PER JOHN'S DISPOSAL

Yard waste began on Monday, April 17th and will continue every other week on Mondays ending November 13th.
All items must be compost-able.
All yard waste must be contained.
Most ideally the items would be in paper compostable bags and securely sealed or in containers 32 gal/60lbs or less.
We are also able to accept securely bundled yard waste including brush that is no more than 50lbs or 4ft long or 6in in diameter.

HESS TREE FUND

If you would like to donate to the "Hess Tree Fund" to help WMC replace trees in the common areas throughout Wind Meadows, in memory of Nancy Hess, please make your donation by sending a check to Wind Meadows, c/o WPI, 6939 Mariner Drive, Racine, WI 53406. Please mark Hess Tree Fund in the memo of your check.