



# November 2022

## Wind Meadows Corporation Community Newsletter

### **PRESIDENT'S CORNER**

Happy Fall!

Election season is upon us here in Wind Meadows.

Ballots will be mailed out on November 3rd. Please be sure to mail your ballot back to the office or drop it off in the locked drop box at the Leisure Center no later than Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> by noon. Your vote matters.

The Leisure Center Committee (LCC) has planned two more events for our community to enjoy, the Fall Festival, and the Chili Cookoff. The Board thanks the LCC for all their hard work throughout the year.

I want to personally thank each Board member for their hard work throughout the year as well and I hope to be working with all of you again in the coming year.

As winter approaches, the Brightview team will be tending to the Fall clean-up throughout Wind Meadows. They will likely finish up by Thanksgiving. Please be patient as they tend to our 250 acres of property, this work is still a bit new to them.

Enjoy your holiday.

Debie Truckey, President

### **WASHINGTON PROPERTIES, INC.**

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**Carrie will be out of the office & out of town from November 24-27 for the holiday.**

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A



NOVEMBER 5 - 12PM - 3PM

FOOD | DRINKS | GAMES |

LEISURE CENTER GROUNDS

### **2022 NOVEMBER BOARD MEETING**

The next WMC Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for **November 21, 2022 at 6:30 PM** and will be held in person at 101 Bayfield Court and via tele/video conference. Information on how to join the meeting will be sent to your email prior to the meeting and should not be shared with anyone other than members of WMC.

### **UPDATED ELECTION INFORMATION**

Last call for completed candidacy forms is TODAY, November 1, 2022.

Ballots to be mailed out November 3, 2022 to the PSA's below.

### **PSA DIRECTOR ELECTION**

**Attention PSA I, II, IV, V, VI, VII and VIII: your PSA director election ballot will be mailed on November 3rd and must be returned on Wednesday, December 7, 2022 by noon.**

Completed ballots should be mailed or hand delivered to Wind Meadows, C/O WPI, 6939 Mariner Drive, Racine, WI 53406, or hand dropped in the locked drop box at the Leisure Center, located by the old postal mailbox, in your sealed "confidential" envelope by noon on Dec 7, 2022.

The elections committee will open and count votes on December 7, 2022 after 1pm and a new directors list with officer titles will be included in the newsletter in January 2023. The newly elected directors will be notified December 7, 2022 after 5:00 pm.

### **CURRENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Debie Truckey, PSA I (President)	262-721-7775
Don Allen, PSA I	262-939-8586
Claudia Simonson, PSA II (Secretary)	312-925-2483
Mike Palazzola, PSA III	262-412-9729
Jackie Kelble, PSA IV	267-901-4234
Jessica Mazurkiewicz, PSA IV	262-672-9377
Memo Fachino, PSA IV	757-738-2685
Dan Crispin, PSA V	262-681-0399
Cary Anastasio, PSA VI (Treasurer)	262-902-2885
Katie White, PSA VII	262-902-9213
Bob Randleman, PSA VIII (V. President)	262-898-8856



## **SOUP-CHILI COOK OFF**

**DECEMBER 4TH 11:45-3:30**

**WMC LEISURE CENTER CLUBHOUSE**

**Bring your favorite soup or chili  
recipe to see if it's a winner!**

**Soups will be judged and prizes awarded  
Bread and snacks provided**

• TASTERS ONLY \$2.00 DONATION RECOMMENDED

*Please RSVP by 11/28 to*

SHARBACH@WPIRACINE.COM OR 262-800-0159

★ Packer / Bear game will be on - BYOB ★



### **UPDATE ON PLAYSET**

The addition of a playset that was presented by the Leisure Center Committee (LCC) was supported by residents that participated in the survey, however the Board declined the addition of a playset being installed near the Leisure Center due to initial and long term maintenance costs and safety reasons.

## **VILLAGE BRANCH COLLECTION –LAST PICK UP DAY**

Wind Point Public Works **last branch collection day** is **Tuesday, November 8, 2022.** 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.

## **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](http://windmeadows.org) or you can contact the WMC office at [wmc@w-p-inc.com](mailto:wmc@w-p-inc.com). Change applications should include details of the exterior change, including pictures if possible.

Requests are due 10 days prior to the Board meeting.

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. 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.

**REMINDER:** In addition, the ARC rules require the homeowner to follow up with the office with the date that the project has been completed and pictures (if possible) of the completed work.

## **JOHN’S DISPOSAL SERVICE, INC.**

Per the Wind Meadows Guidelines, Rules, and Regulations, 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 and yard waste pickup is every other Monday unless the Monday is a holiday. The recycling and yard waste (last month )pick up dates this month are **Monday, November 14th and November 28th.**



## **POINSETTIA TALK**

As you begin to deck the halls with the ubiquitous holiday plant, you might be surprised to learn the poinsettia is shrouded in misconceptions. For example, did you know the poinsettia's flower is actually the clustered yellow buds at the center, not the colored leafy parts (which are called bracts)? That's just the tip of the iceberg. Get ready for some fascinating and festive facts that will help you make the right decisions for your property's holiday décor, or at least enhance your cocktail party conversation.

### **They're Not Lethal**

First, let's tackle the most common myth about poinsettias: they're not deadly. That said, if enough is ingested, it can cause an upset digestive or skin irritation. Luckily, most children and pets aren't any more interested in eating a poinsettia than they are any other plant. In the event they were, they'd have to eat hundreds of leaves to have a harmful effect.

But what about touching a poinsettia, or simply being in their presence? For most people, it's not a problem; however, for those with a latex allergy, coming in contact with a poinsettia's milky sap or inhaling it can cause an allergic reaction. This happens because poinsettias hail from the same plant family as Brazilian rubber trees and contain two of the same proteins found in natural rubber latex. The good news is the sap isn't released unless a leaf is pulled off, or the plant is broken in some manner. Walking past a poinsettia isn't likely to be an issue. However, if your property is frequented by individuals with severe latex allergies, talk with your landscape partner about how to minimize risk.

### **They're Not Just a Holiday Plant**

Poinsettias are actually a sub-tropical plant, native to southern Mexico. In the wild, they can grow to up to 12 feet tall. If you're in a region that experiences warm winters (zones 10 and higher), poinsettias can be grown as a perennial and enjoyed all year long. Once the risk of frost has past, poinsettias can be transplanted to the ground, in a spot with well-drained soil, abundant sun, and plenty of shade in the afternoon. Poinsettias need a sizeable amount of water, but the tradeoff is lush greenery.

For the rest of us, poinsettias can be enjoyed past the holidays indoors, and can stay in bloom for as long as 6 months. The key is keeping the soil moist (but never soggy), and providing a location with abundant natural sunlight and a temperature that consistently stays between 60 – 70 degrees

