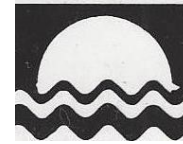


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 11841 Dorsett Road, Maryland Heights  
 at SIX MILE BRIDGE BREWERY  
 Saturday, November 4, 2017—4 pm



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**September 20, 2017 MEETING**

**Introductions:** Shah Smith opened the meeting and introduced the Board members, Keith McCracken and Rob Adelson of AMC Management. Also welcomed were guests Mayor Mike Moeller, Jim Carver and Norm Rhea = Maryland Heights City Councilmen for Ward 4.

**Mayor's Update:** Mayor Mike Moeller spoke about the state of the City of Maryland Heights. Updates included information about the Maryland Heights Night Out on Oct 3, the Halloween Parade October 26, financial status of the city, and the latest on the economic developments/improvements at West Port and the Lake District. Afterwards, residents were welcomed to ask questions of Mr. Moeller, Mr. Carver and Mr. Rhea.

**Question:** What the status of the old 7-11 property on McKelvey Road?

**Answer:** The new owner of the property would like to revert the property back to a Phillips 66 gas station but has not yet provided the new plans for the property or scope of work to City Council. The City Council will make sure

that the property is developed properly with the community in mind.

**Question:** What the status of the Indoor/Outdoor Ice Rink?

**Answer:** The development of the indoor/outdoor Ice Rink is on hold. This development is under review and must be approved by the National Park Service because the proposed development site is on federal lands.

**Resident Comment:** The new Community and Aqua Center is amazing. They loved the recent Eclipse party.

**Association Management Report by Keith McCracken:** Autumn Lakes Association as of 8/31/17 was/ \$420 over budget on income YTD and \$4,517 under budget on expenses YTD. Autumn Lakes Condominiums as of 8/31/17 was \$4,227 under budget on income YTD and \$17,846 under budget on expenses YTD.

Eight buildings were scheduled for painting in 2017. All have been completed. Mark Neubauer is also busy with a number of requests for siding repair.

The fall shrub trimming started in early October.

The first fall leaf clean-up is scheduled for the week of October 23. The second clean-up will be the week of November 13 or November 20 depending on the rate of leaf fall. The 18 houses can put leaves at the curb for pick up (please do not bag them or blow them into the street).

Rob and Dave have been very busy cleaning gutters, replacing shrubs, trimming trees, planting grass, addressing work requests and replacing smaller retaining walls. A big thank you to all who participated in the Rob and Dave appreciation day!

The pool was open through September 24<sup>th</sup>.



**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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**Maryland Heights Utility Tax Rebate for tax on water, gas, electric and one phone—home or cell.**

**Processing dates at MH Community Center:**

**9 am to Noon, and 2-4 pm on November 1,3,7,9 15, 17, and 20.**

No appointment is necessary on these dates and times. Seniors and residents with disability are eligible. See MH website for details.

**Autumn Lakes BEER TASTING at Six Mile Bridge Brewery Saturday, November 4, 2017 at 4 pm Details inside.**

**The next Autumn Lakes Association meeting will be held on 11/15/17 at 7 pm. Autumn Lakes RESIDENTS are encouraged to attend.**

Residents are required to obtain Board approval for decks, windows, lights, door replacements or any other exterior modifications to a home. All necessary city and county permits are required.

Please note that the Autumn Lakes rules do not allow for commercial vehicles to be kept on the premises. Please call the AMC office at 314-291-1450 if you have a work request, question or concerns. You can also fill out a work request online at <http://www.autumnlakesstl.com/contact-us.html>.

### Board Reports

**Common Ground Suggestions:** Shah spoke about the Board's request for resident input on the Common Ground. The Board would like to have suggestions on how to improve the use of the common ground. We are always going to take into consideration what will serve or maybe just appeal to the most people. Once we have a list, the board will review it and ask for resident input on which items to implement. Of course we can't do everything for reasons of cost, practicality or even city laws, but there may be some simple things that we can do right away or some things we might want to consider in the future. All ideas are welcome, but try to make them as specific as possible. *Please drop off suggestions at the AMC Management Office, the clubhouse or Shah Smith's house at 3134 Autumn Trace Drive.*

### Parking:

Laura Farkas explained that the Board has requested a few changes to the no-parking signs in the neighborhood around Autumn Trace Court, Autumn Lakes Court, Autumn Shores Drive and Autumn Trace Drive to make it easier for drivers to see oncoming traffic. These requests will be reviewed by the Maryland Heights and will need to be approved by the City Council. The areas under review are posted on the bulletin board.

In addition, if residents see issues with illegal parking, vehicles with expired plates, nuisance cars or potentially abandoned cars on the streets, please call the Maryland Heights Police dispatch number at 314-298-8700. If there is a problem with a car in one of our off-street parking areas, please call AMC at 314-291-1450. Residents should not park vehicles on the grass.

### Street Lights:

A group of residents met with Laura and Jay to review the streetlights. Additional street lights have been requested by Autumn Lakes, will be reviewed by the Maryland Heights, and will require approval by the City Council. Since ten new lights are being requested, they will be prioritized because the city will probably only approve a couple per year.

### Garage Sale:

The fall Garage Sale was held on September 30<sup>th</sup>.

### Homecoming Parade:

The Pattonville Homecoming Parade was held on October 14<sup>th</sup>. This year Autumn Lakes was kept open until the very last minute, but when the parade was in progress, the exit was closed. No other traffic was allowed on McKelvey/ Creve Coeur Mill from any of the cross streets. There are too many little kids in the street chasing after candy during the parade. When the parade passed Autumn Lakes, the exit was opened so that cars could turn right. They could also turn left, but they could not pass the police cars bringing up the rear of the parade.

**Utility Tax Refund:** Senior and disabled residents may be eligible for a Maryland Heights Utility Tax Refund. Please see the latest City of Maryland Heights newsletter for details.

**Westlake Landfill Open House:** Jay Black provided some information about the latest Westlake Landfill Open House. The format for the meetings has changed and Jay found it highly informative. He encourages residents to attend the next scheduled meeting. The next West Lake Landfill meeting, co-hosted by Just Moms STL, West Lake CAG, and the EPA, will be held Thursday, October 19, 6:30 - 9 pm, at the Machinist Hall (next to Target) 12365 St. Charles Rock Rd., Bridgeton.

### Committee Reports:

**Architecture Committee:** Dick Ornberg spoke about residents observing low water pressure in their homes. Some of the suggestions Dick offered were to check the pressure regulator, have a plumber attach a pressure meter to the outside faucet to see what's going and also take a look at the water shut off valve within the unit. As always, consult with a licensed plumber.

**Pink Flamingo Friday Parties:** The Flamingos have gone south for the winter, but look for them again in the spring!



### Residents Questions & Comments:

**Question:** Is there something we can do to identify units that are accepting trick or treaters?

**Answer:** Residents who are not accepting trick or treaters should turn off their outside lights. A good way to identify if you are accepting trick or treaters is to post on NextDoor. An Aqua colored pumpkin also indicates that you're handing out allergy-free treats (like non-edible items).

**Question:** A resident noted that there's a tie wall that seems to be degrading near her building. Will that be replaced soon?

**Answer:** Keith has made note of the resident's concern and will check the prioritized list of wall replacements.

**Question:** What's the status of the black dog that's been seen running around the neighborhood?

**Answer:** AMC is aware of the situation and is addressing it with the owner.

### Social Committee:

It's been a good year for Autumn Lakes activities. Pink Flamingo parties made it easy to socialize with your neighbors. You simply brought a chair and a drink and said hello. See you next spring!

We started the year great events that brought people out to meet each other:

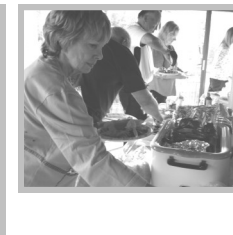
We had a **Trivia Night in March, Wine Tasting in May, two garage sales** and over 100 people came to our **Ice Cream Social!** What a great turnout for our neighborhood!

The **Picnic at the Pool** was a success. Over 80 residents brought great food to share. Thanks to Butch & Sandy Rhomberg for delivering the Fried Chicken! The AL Social Committee thanks all for coming. You make the effort worthwhile.

The **Rob and Dave Appreciation Day** also had a great turn out. Thanks to all the residents who took the time to come shake their hand and honor their work. We really appreciate those guys!



The **AutumnFest** turned out to be a perfect day as the rain ceased just before the gathering. Spunky Beans came to perform her balloon magic, we enjoyed Pappy's Pulled Pork, compliments of AMC Management, and residents brought their best side dishes and desserts.



The **4th Annual Maryland Heights NIGHT OUT** was held on Autumn Trace Court on October 3rd. It was a lovely night complete with lights so we could see what we were eating, and visits from the MH Ambulance, Norm Rhea and Jim Carter.



At every AL party we meet NEW friends. If you have not been to one, we hope you'll join us for something. It's always delightful.

### ❖ SPECIAL EVENT ❖

**Autumn Lakes BEER TASTING at Six Mile Bridge Brewery in Maryland Heights.**

**Saturday, November 4, 2017 4 pm to 7 pm,**

11841 Dorsett Road, Maryland Heights MO [www.sixmilebridgebeer.com](http://www.sixmilebridgebeer.com)

(located east of MH City Hall across from Phillips 66)

A typical flight (4 beers to taste) is about \$12.

**Please bring a snack/appetizer to share; Six Mile does not have foodservice.**

**PLEASE LET US KNOW YOU ARE COMING!** Christine Melton 314-560-5705 or [meltonchristine17@gmail.com](mailto:meltonchristine17@gmail.com)

### CLUBHOUSE RENTAL:

Don't forget that the Clubhouse can be rented for special events by unit owners. The Clubhouse has hosted several graduation parties, baby showers, bridal showers and more. For more information, please contact AMC office.

