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Sharing the Green – November 2023 Issue

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ANNUAL HOA MEETING: Thank you to all who attended the annual meeting and sent in ballots. The 2024 budget passed and dues will be \$165 per month starting **January 2024**. Larry Gates was elected to the Board.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: Check our website for updates!

COMMUNITY CONCERT: Join Joyce and Friends on Sunday, November 26th in the clubhouse from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. for tunes from the Big Band Era featuring Bloomington native Hoagy Carmichael. The band will feature Phil Sloffer on tuba, Dave Shank on drums and trombone, Mike Stiver, vocalist, and Joyce Jordan Cassal at the piano. The concert is open to all residents in the Green.

FREE BI-WEEKLY STRETCHING CLASS: Is led by Joanie Baker every Tuesday & Thursday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at the Clubhouse and is open to all residents to attend.

MONTHLY COFFEE CLUB: Join us the first Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. after the stretch class for our monthly coffee club. Coffee and donuts are provided.

THURSDAY MATINEES: Join us at 2:00 p.m. in the clubhouse on the 2nd and 4th Thursday for movie day. We have classic holiday movies lined up for November and December! November 9th – Going My Way with Bing Crosby; November 23 – no movie; December 14th – White Christmas with Bing Crosby, Danny Kaye and Rosemary Clooney and December 28th – Holiday Inn with Bing Crosby and Fred Astaire.

NEIGHBORHOOD LUNCH AND GAME DAYS: These events will be on hiatus during the winter. Watch for an update in the spring!

INCIDENTS IN THE GREEN: We are seeing an uptick in large groups in the green and are receiving multiple complaints. We are receiving noise, late night noise (3 a.m.) and trespassing complaints. We've had issues with these groups in our common areas and being places they should not be. Over the weekend, there were people sleeping in vehicles because they attended parties in the green and there wasn't enough room for them to sleep in the condos so they were sleeping it off in their cars per the City police. While we are all for people enjoying their units and appreciate people aren't driving impaired, please remember this is a residential neighborhood. We are seeing most of these issues happening in the non-owner occupied units. If your unit is a rental, please remind your tenants to be mindful of their neighbors. Reminder, the occupancy load for non-owner occupied units is 3 unrelated adults.

WINTERIZING EXTERIOR WATER LINES: Just a reminder to winterize your outside spigot/external water line. First remove your hose if it is still hooked-up. Then shut off the water to the unit at the main water line shut off next to the furnace and hot water heater. Once the water is shut off, turn on the hose spigot and let all the water drain out. Once this is complete, turn the spigot off and turn the water main back on.

WINTERIZING YOUR UNIT: If you will be gone from your unit over the winter or for an extended time, please winterize your unit. Open the cabinet doors under your sinks and don't turn the heat off. We suggest leaving the heat not lower than 60 degrees. If your unit is a rental, please share this with your tenants and advise them not to turn the heat off if they will be gone over the holidays.

LEAF AND GUTTER CLEANING: Some of the leaf removal and gutter cleaning has started. We have a large number of trees that are still holding their leaves so there will be a second leaf removal. Also, there will be two gutter cleanings this fall.

PARKING: If you have a contractor doing work on your unit or in the pea gravel area, they cannot park in the grass. Parking is allowed in driveways and on the public streets of Piccadilly Street, Buckingham Drive and Westminster Way. Parking is not allowed in the **turn-around spots** or on the **private streets** as stated in the **Bylaws**. Please park in the appropriate spots so the Board does not have to take action beyond tagging the illegally parked vehicles.

ITEMS ATTACHED TO BUILDINGS AND PATIO WALLS: We are seeing items being attached to patio walls and to the buildings. This is not allowed! Please do not attach anything to the walls, gutters or soffits!

AFTER HOUR EMERGENCIES: If you experience an after-hours emergency, please call the office or the after-hours number and leave a message including your name, address, phone number and what the issue is. Items that would be considered an emergency would be sewer back-ups, trees blocking a road or on a building, etc. Business hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday – Friday.

UPDATED RULES AND REGULATIONS: The Board has updated the Rules and Regs for 2023. Two new items in the Rules & Regs addresses dumpsters and moving pods and fire pits and grills. A copy of the Rules & Regs can be found at <https://www.sherwoodgreenbloomington.com/documents>

RENTAL UNITS: Rental units are defined by the City of Bloomington as “any dwelling unit, rooming house, or rooming unit occupied by a person(s) other than the owner and/or their legal dependent.” Units that meet this definition are required to submit the tenant verification form or a copy of the lease. Per the CCRs the lease must be in writing and a minimum of 11 months. The lease must also contain a clause that the tenant will abide by the rules of Sherwood Green.

MONTHLY DUES: The monthly dues for 2023 are \$160 per unit and are due by the 10th. A late fee applies for dues payments received after the 10th of the month. An electronic payment option is emailed between the 1st and 5th of each month. Please note if you are using this option it can take up to 5 days for us to receive the payment.

WORK ORDER REQUESTS: If you have an issue with your unit you would like the HOA to look at, please submit a **WRITTEN** work order request to our office. The printable form can be found on our website or submit one electronically at <https://www.sherwoodgreenbloomington.com/contact>.

CLUBHOUSE RENTAL: The rental cost of the clubhouse has been raised to \$30.00 with a \$50.00 deposit. This is to help offset the cost of repairs and maintenance to the building. If you would like to use the TV when renting the clubhouse, an additional agreement will need to be signed and the deposit will be \$75.00. If you have any questions, please call or email the office.

PETS: All pets are required to be leashed and supervised while outside. Pets are not allowed to be left outside unattended. All waste products must be promptly picked up and disposed of in the owner's trash receptacle.

TRASH CANS: The Rules and Regulations of Sherwood Green stipulate that trash cans must be kept on patios or in garages. **Trash cans may NOT be left out in front of garage doors** or on the street. They must be put away within 24 hours of trash pick-up.

EXTERIOR CHANGES: Thinking of making a change to the exterior of your unit? All exterior changes – windows, garage doors, satellite dishes, etc. -- must have Board approval. Exterior alteration forms are available in the office or online at www.sherwoodgreenbloomington.com/documents. Exterior alteration requests **MUST include a description of materials to be used** or the request will be denied.

SAFETY: As a reminder, if you see suspicious activity in the Green, please contact the Bloomington Police Department by using the non-emergency line **(812) 339-4477**. If you are experiencing a true emergency, always dial **911**.

APPROACHING CONTRACTORS AROUND THE GREEN: If an Association contractor is doing work and you have an issue, please contact our manager and not the contractor. If you contact an HOA vendor to do work for you or request work to be done, you are responsible for payment.

SHERWOOD GREEN LIBRARY: Stop in the Clubhouse during normal hours to take a look! If you have NEWER books/puzzles/board games, please consider donating them to our library.

GREEN BOOKS/WEBSITE: Our governing documents, work order requests, and exterior alteration request forms can all be on our website www.sherwoodgreenbloomington.com. If you would like a printed copy of our Green Book, please contact the office.

SHERWOOD GREEN OFFICE: The office will be closed Thursday and Friday, November 23rd and 24th. The Sherwood Green office is in the clubhouse & office hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and by appointment. The HOA phones are answered Monday – Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. If you have an after-hours **emergency**, please call **812-331-9095**. The mailing address for the HOA is 985 E. Buckingham Drive. Our email address has changed to sherwoodgreenhoa@yahoo.com.