## Sherwood Green Homeowners Association, Inc.

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## Sharing the Green – April 2024 Issue

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**MONTHLY HOA MEETING:** The monthly HOA meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month and the April meeting is the 17th at 6:30 p.m. in the clubhouse. The monthly meetings are open for all homeowners to attend.

**MONTHLY DUES:** The monthly dues for 2024 are \$165 per unit and are due by the 10<sup>th</sup>. A late fee applies for dues payments received after the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month. An electronic payment option is emailed between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of each month. Please note if you are using this option it can take up to 5 days for us to receive the payment. If you have your payment set up on bill pay through your bank, please remember to update the payment amount. Reminder, the annual insurance premiums were due by January 31<sup>st</sup>.

**SOLAR ECLIPSE:** We're sure you've all heard there is going to be a solar eclipse on April 8<sup>th</sup> at approximately 3:04 p.m. Monroe County is expecting a few **hundred thousand** people to attend the viewing. Local officials are advising people to fill up on gas, stock up on groceries, medicine and pet supplies prior to the weekend. They are also advising that traffic will be heavily congested. The Monroe County Emergency Agency is cautioning that cell phones and internet may be affected by the number of people in the area. If you cannot reach someone by phone, try texting them. If you have an emergency, you can text 911 with your emergency. If you will be having guests for the eclipse please be mindful of your neighbors and observe the neighborhood rules and regulations especially the parking rules. If you are in need of eclipse glasses they are available at Kroger, the Visitor's Center on north 37 and Pantry279 in Ellettsville just received a donation of 800 to hand out to people. Monroe County Emergency Management and IU have set up a text line that will send out eclipse related incident alerts. To opt-in to these messages text "MoCoEclipse" to 226787. Our office will be closed on Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.

**<u>CENTERPOINT UTILITY LINE INSURANCE</u>**: Homeowners are again receiving notices from CenterPoint Energy regarding insuring the utility lines outside the units. The HOA is responsible for the utility lines outside the units. Owners are responsible for the lines once they enter the building, under the slab and the exterior water spigot.

**PEA GRAVEL:** There is some pea gravel at the maintenance building (3300 Piccadilly) for owners to use in their pea gravel area. It is available on a first come, first serve basis. This pea gravel is to supplement what is already in your flower beds. As the flower beds and pea gravel areas are owner's responsibility, the HOA does not deliver the pea gravel. If you need help with your pea gravel area, please contact a landscape company. If you would like to hire the HOA landscape company please call Charles at 812-320-5861.

**NEIGHBORHOOD LUNCH IS BACK!:** April's lunch will be at noon on Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at the China Star Buffet in Ellettsville 4641 Richland Drive in Richland Plaza. If you plan on attending, please contact Sherry Day at 765-506-8131. Reservations aren't required but they like to know how many are going to get a big enough table. You will be responsible for covering your own lunch and beverage cost. Any questions please let Sherry know.

**<u>COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES</u>**: Check our website for updates! All community events are open to all residents. If you unit is a rental, please share these events with them.

**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. April's club will meet on the 2nd.

**<u>GARAGE SALE DATE</u>**: The annual garage sale is the second Saturday in June each year. This year's sale will be June 8<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of June 15<sup>th</sup>.

**PHONE SCAMMERS:** We are seeing reports of phone scammers again. Scammers call people pretending to be the Sheriff or a police officer and state that you either missed jury duty or have an overdue fine and you will be arrested unless you pay them. THIS IS A SCAM! As a reminder, the Sheriff or police department will never call you and **they will never ask for money over the phone nor will they ask you to purchase gift cards**. If you have actually missed jury duty or have an unpaid fine, they will send you a letter in the mail. If you receive a call requesting money or gift cards, please hang up immediately!

**WORK ORDER REQUESTS:** it's that time of year when we receive quite a few work requests. For all exterior maintenance requests, please submit a **WRITTEN** work order request to our office either in electronic form on our website or by pdf which is also on the website at <a href="https://www.sherwoodgreenbloomington.com/work-orders">https://www.sherwoodgreenbloomington.com/work-orders</a>. If you have a roof leak, the roofers tend to respond within 24-48 hours depending upon the weather. If it is raining, there is ice/snow on the roof or the temperatures are extremely cold or hot they cannot go on the roof. Please know they will make roof repairs as soon as it is safe for them to access the roof.

**<u>RENTAL UNITS</u>**: 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." All rental units are required to have a tenant verification form on file with the office.

**INSURANCE COVERAGE:** The Association's insurance policy renews annually. The Association's blanket policy covers the structure and betterments meaning the interior - walls, flooring, cabinets, etc. Each homeowner will need to carry separate coverage for your personal property, personal liability and loss assessment that includes earthquake for \$10,000. The Association's blanket policy still includes earthquake coverage. However, our earthquake deductible is \$2.5 million which equates to approximately \$10,000 per unit. If each owner carries earthquake assessment loss in the amount of \$10,000 this will cover their deductible. If you have any questions regarding your insurance coverage, please contact our office or Donna Johnson at First Insurance Group (812) 331-3230.

**SHERWOOD GREEN LIBRARY:** Our library is overflowing with books and puzzles! Stop in the Clubhouse during business hours to take a look! We will be donating some of the books to make space for new ones.

**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.

**<u>CLUBHOUSE RENTAL</u>**: The rental cost of the clubhouse is \$30.00 with a \$50.00 deposit. 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 <u>www.sherwoodgreenbloomington.com/documents</u>. Exterior alteration requests **MUST include a description of materials to be used** or the request will be denied.

**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!

**<u>UPDATED RULES AND REGULATIONS</u>**: 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 <u>https://www.sherwoodgreenbloomington.com/documents</u>

**<u>SAFETY</u>**: 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.

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

**SHERWOOD GREEN OFFICE:** 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 is <u>sherwoodgreenhoa@yahoo.com</u>. If you experience an after-hours emergency, please call 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. The office will be closed Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.