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### Upcoming Board Meeting

The next meeting of the Reflections at Hidden Lake Homeowner's Association will be on:

**Thursday, July 15 at 7:00 p.m.**

As always, the meeting will be held at the Darien Police Department building at 1710 Plainfield Road.

Residents are encouraged to attend these meetings whenever possible. Time will be allotted to address residents' concerns before the start of each meeting.

To help conduct the business of the Association in a timely and effective manner, the Board asks those residents in attendance to keep in mind that once the meeting has started, comments from the residents are discouraged. ■

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### Driveway Replacement Project

The Board of Directors is happy to report the completion of our driveway replacement project, as well as the city's curb and street replacement projects. Thank you for your cooperation and patience during these projects. ■

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### Landscaping Enhancements and Mulching

We would also like to thank all of the homeowners that donated plants for our common areas. The daylilies and hostas look lovely in our common areas and around the signs.

To further enhance the appearance of our community, the Association will be mulching all of the parkway trees again this year. This work is scheduled for July. ■

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### Burying Backyard Cables

The Board is asking residents once again to please make sure any cable lines near your unit are buried. We have noticed a number of exposed cables throughout the community and the landscapers will not be able to work around them any longer.

If you have exposed cables near your unit, please contact Comcast to have them buried. The Association and landscapers will not be responsible for cut cables. ■

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### Emailing the Association

Note that the Reflections Board gmail account is no longer in use. You should remove the address from your address books. Work requests and communication should be sent via the Association Web site. All residents should have received their log in information in the mail. If you did not, please contact the management office. ■

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### Street Parking

Please be considerate of your neighbors when parking your cars on the streets. We've received several complaints about people parking too close to the ends of driveways and parking too far away from the edge of the curb. These actions create safety hazards for residents trying to back out of their driveways or driving on the streets — particularly in the summer when more people are outside. Please be careful so we can keep everyone safe. ■

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### Guest Parking Rules

Please remember that improper usage of the guest parking areas on Spring Court and Ripple Ridge Cove may result in fines and vehicles being towed. If a vehicle is towed from guest parking, it is the owner's responsibility to pay the towing costs.

A few rules to keep in mind:

- Generally, guest parking is to be used for **short-term parking by guests only**. Residents are never allowed to park their vehicles in guest parking.
- Guest vehicles that need to remain in guest parking longer than 24 hours **must be registered** with the management office.
- Guest vehicles parked in guest parking must have a **guest parking pass in the window** with the relevant information written in ink. A copy of the pass has been included in this mailing. We encourage you to make copies for future use. Additional copies are available by contacting the management company.
- Vehicles that do not have this form, or have incorrectly completed forms, may be towed.

- **No long-term guest parking is allowed.** Long-term guests should park in your garage or driveway or make other arrangements.
- Due to past abuses by residents, guest parking areas are regularly monitored. Vehicles consistently parked in one of these areas — even those parked in guest parking less than 24 hours at a time but that are there several days a week — may be towed. ■

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## Summertime and the Rules are Fine

As the temperatures warm up, so can tempers. Please be extra considerate of your neighbors this summer. Now is a good time to brush up on our Rules and Regulations. The goal is not to live in a “Police State” but to ensure all residents are able to enjoy their time at home. Copies of the Rules and Regulations can be found on the Association Web site.

A few reminders:

- Ball playing is not allowed anywhere on the property. There are a number of parks in the area that you can use. It is your responsibility to notify your children and guests.
- Climbing on the large boulders, utility boxes or near the pond or wetlands is prohibited.
- Please be courteous to neighbors who may have their windows open and refrain from playing music excessively loud or making a lot of noise very early in the morning or late in the evening. (In general this means loud noises before 8:00 a.m. and after 10:00 p.m.)
- Please use care when driving through the community. The speed limit is 25 mph. With the warmer weather, more residents and children are outside. Please be careful.

If your neighbors are repeatedly causing problems, please notify the management company. Violating the Rules can and will result in fines being issued. ■

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## Visit The Off-Leash Dog Parks

With summer upon us, why not treat your furry friend to a special treat? Take them to an “off-leash” dog park.

DuPage County operates several “off-leash” dog areas in the forest preserves. The closest one to Reflections is at Mayslake Forest Preserve in Oak Brook (just south of 31<sup>st</sup> Street and just west of Rte. 83).

Dog owners must purchase an off-leash dog area permit from the county. They are available on an annual or daily basis.

For more information on purchasing a permit and to see a complete list of DuPage County’s off-leash dog areas, visit

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the DuPage County Forest Preserve District Web site at: [www.dupageforest.com/Recreation/ActivitiesAndFacilities/Off-Leash\\_Dog\\_Areas.html](http://www.dupageforest.com/Recreation/ActivitiesAndFacilities/Off-Leash_Dog_Areas.html).

Note that dogs must be leashed in all other areas of the forest preserves as well as in the city of Darien. ■

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## Medication Recycling

Most people know that unused or expired medications should not be thrown out or flushed down the toilet. But what should you do with them?

DuPage County runs an “Rx Box” program where unused medications can be dropped off for proper disposal. The closest drop-off location is the Burr Ridge Police Department at 7660 County Line Road.

Please note, this program is for residentially generated unused prescriptions and expired over-the-counter drugs. No commercial or institutional waste will be accepted. You should keep medications in their original containers, as it is necessary to know what medications the contractor is dealing with. For safety, you may “black out” personal information.

For the list of other drop off locations, visit [www.dupageco.org/recycling/generic.cfm?doc\\_id=4193](http://www.dupageco.org/recycling/generic.cfm?doc_id=4193). ■

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## Garbage Day Reminders

Just a reminder that Independence Day is coming up and that will impact garbage pick up. **Independence Day will be observed on Monday, July 5.** Garbage pick up for that week will be on:

- Friday, July 9

Please do not put your garbage out on Wednesday evening and let it sit for two days. ■

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