



Upcoming Board Meeting

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

Thursday, Sept. 16 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. ■

Annual Meeting — Mark Your Calendar

The Annual Meeting of the Reflections at Hidden Lake Condominium Association will take place on **Thursday, Nov. 18**. Please mark your calendars and plan on attending this important yearly meeting. The 2011 budget will be approved and the 2011 Board will be elected.

In October, you will receive a copy of the 2011 budget and a Board nomination form in the mail. Please be sure to review these documents. ■

Summer Work Project Recap

We certainly have had a busy summer here at Reflections. The Board is happy to provide this report of all the work that has been completed:

- 224 driveways were replaced
- The parkway trees were mulch
- 22 dying or diseased trees were removed

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- Many dead bushes were removed
 - 17 brick facades were repaired

We would like to extend a big thank you to everyone for your patience and support while these projects were being completed. ■

Controlled Burn of Wetlands

The Association has hired Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd. to conduct a controlled burn of our wetlands later this fall. (This is the company that was originally involved with establishing the wetlands.)

A controlled burn is necessary to maintain the health of the wetlands. Controlled burns help the wetlands in a number of ways:

- Control undesirable vegetation
- Control plant disease
- Reduce wildfire hazards
- Improve wildlife habitat
- Improve plant production quality
- Enhance seed and seedling production
- Restore and maintain ecological sites

We will make every effort to notify residents of the exact date of the burn, however we will be at the mercy of the weather. ■

West Suburban Bank's Shred Event

According to a recent study by the Better Business Bureau, more than 8.1 million people were victims of identity theft within the last year — with an economic loss of \$45 billion. Those are some scary statistics.

Even if you do not own your own paper shredder you can still properly dispose of unwanted personal, financial or confidential documents thanks to West Suburban Bank, which is holding an upcoming "shred event" on:

Saturday, Sept. 11, 2010
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
2800 Finley Road, Downers Grove, IL

Please note, you are limited to 10 boxes. ■

Fireplace Inspection Letters Due Oct. 15

It's that time of year again: All residents who have a wood-burning fireplace are required to provide proof of an annual chimney inspection or cleaning to the Association by Oct. 15.

This is a requirement of our insurance carrier and is required whether you use your fireplace regularly or not.

If proof of this service is not received by Oct. 15, fines will be issued. ■

Insurance Notes

Did you know — all Reflections owners are required to obtain liability insurance for their property? If another unit or the common areas are damaged due to a problem in your unit, you are responsible for the repairs to the other units or common areas.

This includes damage from problems such as broken pipes, a leaking hot water heater, a grill fire, automotive fire and pet damage.

The Association cannot get involved in disputes between owners over this type of damage. ■

Do Not Forget DarienFest!

Just a reminder that DarienFest is scheduled for:

Friday, Sept. 10 — 6:00-10:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 11 — Noon-10:30 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 12 — Noon-9:30 p.m.

Food vendors include local favorites: Ashley Foods, Bojo's, Golden Phoenix, Mi Hacienda Mexican Cuisine, Papa Passero's, Uncle Bub's BBQ, Grecian Gardens and Tasty Tropical Snow as well as the always popular Darien Lions Corn Tent.

Activities take place at Darien Community Park at Plainfield and Clarendon Hills Roads.

For more information, including a list of musical acts, visit <http://www.darienchamber.com/>. ■

Do Not Text While Driving, It's The Law

Effective January 1, 2010, a new law makes it illegal to use a cell phone, PDA or portable computer to compose, send or read messages or access the Internet while driving.

Another new law effective January 1, 2010, prohibits cell phone use entirely within a school speed zone, construction zone or if the driver is under the age of 19 years.

For more information you can visit the following Web site: <http://www.dot.il.gov/texting.asp>. ■

Be Alert

Just a reminder that school will be back in session soon. Please be careful when driving through the community as children may be walking and buses may be stopped on the road. ■

Garbage Day Reminders

Just a reminder that Labor Day is coming up and that will impact garbage pick up. **Labor Day is Monday, Sept. 6.** Garbage pick up for that week will be on:

- Friday, Sept. 10

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

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