



February 2024 – Reflections Newsletter

2024 Association Meeting Dates

Our quarterly meeting dates for 2024 are below.
We encourage your attendance.

Thursday, March 14 – General Meeting (ZOOM)
Thursday, June 6 – General Meeting (In-Person)
Thursday, August 29 – General Meeting (In-Person)
Thursday, November 7 – ANNUAL AND
BUDGET MEETING (In-Person)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82088575088?pwd=ZaWQ1FwcCj1BfkA5v7DMVHUGAqOCby.1>

Meeting ID: 820 8857 5088
Passcode: 169540

Dial by your location
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We ask all owners who attend the meeting to hold all questions until the main order of business has been completed. Thank you in advance for your cooperation during this time.

*Please note that 2024 in-person meetings will take place at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, 8404 S Cass Ave, Darien, IL 60561



IMPORTANT – Annual Fire Alarm Testing

Per updated guidelines, the Association must have the fire alarm system tested annually. What this means is that Alarm Detection System (ADS) will need access to every unit

to test all components that are part of the system. The Association covers alarm monitoring fees along with replacement and repairs of the main panel. All interior devices are the responsibility of the owner. If ADS identifies issues with your devices, they will submit a proposal to you for the needed repairs. These repairs will be required.

Finally, the attached schedule must be adhered to in order to get this project completed. Please check the schedule and make sure that someone is available at your unit to let ADS enter to inspect the devices. Failure to be present for your scheduled test will result in re-inspection fees. A typical workday will be from 8AM-4PM.

If there are any questions regarding your inspection, please email ilinspections@adsalarm.com. Thank you in advance. We need everyone's cooperation to make sure this goes smoothly.

Property Reminders

Attached to this newsletter owners will find a special one-page insert dedicated to garbage management and keeping the grounds clean. Below we have compiled a list of other important items:

- With spring almost here, we ask that all owners take 10 minutes over the next few days to walk around their property and remove items such as salt buckets, snow shovels, empty pots, and so on. We will be performing follow-up inspections and issuing letters to owners that fail to keep their outsides neat.
- Feeding wildlife is prohibited. Additionally, please leave the wildlife alone. No throwing objects at the wildlife or disturbing them.
- Noise: Remember that your home is connected to your neighbors. Please be respectful when using stereos, surround sound, or when out on the patios/decks. If you are planning a party, please notify your neighbors as a courtesy.

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- Speeding: Please be safe when driving in the community and keep your speed down. We do not want anyone to get hurt, particularly children.
 - Children must be supervised at all times. Pond areas and surrounding rock channels are off limits.
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2024 Coupon Books

Coupon Booklets have been distributed to unit

owners. Remember to pass these on to new owners in the event of a sale. If you are signed up for automatic payment, you will not be receiving a coupon book for 2024. If you would like to sign up for automatic payment please visit www.elitemgt.net and click on e-forms at the top of the page. Signing up for automatic payments saves time and ensures a steady cash flow to the Association.

New Illinois Laws for 2024

Minimum Wage

In Illinois, the minimum wage will increase to \$14 an hour for non-tipped workers, \$8.40 an hour for tipped workers and \$12 an hour for youths under 18 working less than 650 hours per calendar year.

Penalties for Driving – Keep your eyes on the road!

Texting and driving is already punishable by law, and House Bill 2431 expands that, prohibiting drivers from using an electronic device to participate in video conferences or access social media sites while driving.

Smoking Ban – House Bill 1540 expands the state's laws to keep public spaces smoke free. Under this new law, use of electronic cigarettes, or vapes, are prohibited in public places and within 15 feet of building entrances.

Facebook Page and Community Events

Association Board member Annie DeVries has created a Facebook Page for the community. For those interested in joining, please click or visit the link below:

Join the RHL Community Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/reflectionsathiddenlake>

Exterior Modification Forms

Please remember that the submission of an architectural change form with an attached drawing is **required** prior to any changes affecting the exterior of your unit and common elements. Common requests include: radon mitigation systems, satellite dishes, and landscaping additions. The only exceptions are flowers in the mulch beds; **EVERYTHING** else needs prior Board approval. If you are contemplating making changes to your unit that impact the exterior, please contact the management office first with details of your plan. Thanks for your cooperation.

Please save yourself the expense and hassle by clearing any major changes with management first.

Association Website

Remember to check out the Association's website for updated financials and budget information.

Note: This time of year some owners are asked to submit an updated certificate of insurance to their mortgage companies. The HOA's insurance policy does not expire until late April so updated certs are not available until then. Owners can download a template certificate from the website. Additionally, if owners need the certificate specifically endorsed, that be done by visiting <https://www.aleaquo.com/certsender>.

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