

Milford Heights Association 2016 Neighbor to Neighbor

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Dues are due!

The annual Milford Heights Association fee is <u>due by July 1st, 2016</u>. The fee for the 2016/2017 fiscal year is <u>\$175</u> per household. The budget was approved at the Milford Heights Association Annual Meeting on May 10th, 2016. The Treasurer's Report can be downloaded from this link: http://milfordheights.weebly.com/updates.html

Per MHA policy, payments received after July 1st, 2016 will incur a \$25.00 per month late fee.

We have a new payment option this year! Milford Heights is happy to announce that we will also be accepting Paypal as a payment method for anyone who wants the ease of e-payment. There is no additional fee for this service as long as funds are transferred from your bank or Paypal account. There is a ~3% fee if a credit card is used. More details can be found here: https://www.paypal.com/us/webapps/mpp/paypal-fees

Check or cash are still acceptable payment options!

Please make checks payable to Milford Heights Association.

Deliver payments to: Lydia Ziegler

561 Dorchester Way

Please feel free to drop off your check early!

What's new?

Dues Have Increased - Last summer MHA covered an unexpected and large expenditure with the sidewalk repairs. These repairs were required by the Village of Milford. At the annual meeting, the Board proposed raising the dues to partially cover the costs associated with these repairs and to remain proactive about pending future repairs and neighborhood maintenance. This motion was unanimously approved. It is our hope that this increase will be temporary and that we will be able to reduce the dues in the future.

For reference, even with this increase, we still have lower dues than other subs nearby: Heritage paid \$220 and Milford Meadows paid \$300 this year.

Landscaping – You may notice some small changes in the landscaping this year. Some work was done to clean up and revitalize one of the islands. We will also be removing some dead trees in the front and dead shrubs from the islands later in the summer. The idea is to clean up the space while also making it easier to maintain.

Subdivision Garage Sale –The subdivision Garage Sale will be Thursday-Friday, July 7th to July 8th to coincide with the Milford Village Sidewalk Sales downtown. No need to get a permit, we did that for you! Email if interested.

MHA Social Committee – The 3rd Annual Egg Hunt happened in March. We also had a Ladies Night in May. Coming in July: the MHA Block Party!

Milford Heights Association Board Members - Your MHA Board is not changing in the upcoming year although there is still room if anyone would like to join us. There is some work involved but please feel free to email if you are interested or would like additional information.

Looking for Volunteers – No time to join the Board, that's ok, you can still volunteer! We need some help with some manual labor tasks. Nothing particularly difficult, just time consuming for one person to tackle. Many hands will make for light work. Email for more details.

Annual Meeting Discussion and Neighborhood News

RV, Boat, Inoperable Vehicle, and Commercial Truck Parking – Milford Heights bylaws as well as Milford Village ordinance (Section 94-344) prohibits storage of boats and recreational vehicles outdoors at your home. Our bylaws also prohibit the storage of inoperable vehicles as well as commercial vehicles.

Neighbor to neighbor warning — One of our neighbors found that the gas line coming into their house was leaking carbon monoxide. Since we all have similar configurations in home design, it would be good to keep this in mind or have the line professionally checked if concerned.

Nextdoor – We have been using the Nextdoor app and website in order to provide updates and to notify neighbors of events. (It gives reminders!) If you would like to be added, please email.

Pets – Please be considerate of your neighbors and remember to pick up your pet waste on neighborhood walks. Also note that dogs must be on a leash <u>at all times</u> when being walked. These are Milford Village Ordinances.

Job Offerings

Milford Heights has job opportunities from time to time for anyone wanting to make a couple extra bucks. Email if interested. milfordheights@gmail.com

Examples of these jobs are:

- Snow shoveling of front sidewalks
- Mailbox repair, cleaning, and waxing
- Handyman services, general repair

Special Thanks!

Last but not least, the MHA Board would like to thank some of our neighborhood volunteers.

Thanks to *Kristin Neering* for another year of Christmas decorations at the front!

Thanks to *Michelle Brennan* for coordinating the Egg Hunt and Social Activities!

Thanks to the <u>Brennans</u>, <u>Schraders</u>, <u>Joneses</u>, and other pond facing homeowners who have helped pick up trash from the ponds!

Our Mission Statement:

The MHA Board is committed to providing an opportunity for all residents of our neighborhood to voice their concerns, seek out solutions, and maintain a safe, happy place for everyone!

Lydia Ziegler, President Melissa Schrader, Vice President Dayna Smedley, Treasurer Laura Jennings, Secretary













