



**PRESTWICK
HOMEOWNERS
ASSOCIATION**
Frankfort, Illinois 60423

News From Your Neighborhood

November 28th 2017

PHA Meeting Summary

Thank you Rachel Gilmore and Best Wishes in your new position!
After many years of tireless service to PHA, Rachel has stepped down as PHA's Recording Secretary and all the many other tasks she seamlessly performed for PHA. We wish Rachel best of luck in her new position at the Illinois Philharmonic Orchestra. Thank you Rachel!!

Board Meeting Location

Until further notice, PHA Board meetings will continue to be held at Prestwick Country Club. Watch the Newsletters for announcements of any changes.

Child and Pet Safety Reminder

For those new to the neighborhood and for those of us who used to think the coyotes are nocturnal hunters, please be aware that coyotes have been seen in the neighborhood during daylight hours. Please remember to watch all small children and pets and do not leave them unattended in the yard.

Light Up Prestwick

As many of you already know the south suburbs have seen an increase in car burglary / theft over the past year. The Frankfort Station had a lengthy article on how this has impacted the Village of Frankfort in its July 31st story. Other articles have been written in the Chicago Tribune regarding south suburbs. Prestwick is not immune to this increase in crime. The larger lots and longer streets have attracted criminals to our neighborhood. The Village Police department has communicated to us that these are crimes of opportunity. The majority of burglaries were because cars were left unlocked overnight; thieves merely going house to house looking for an opportunity to steel possessions or cars which were unlocked. First and foremost, please make sure to lock your vehicles when parked outside your garage. Second, make sure electronics and other valuables are kept out of plain sight. Village Police also encourages neighbors to call them to report suspicious people or vehicles so they can patrol the area. 815-469-9435.

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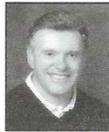
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The greatest compliment you can give is a referral.

During our last month's meeting we discussed other ways to mitigate crime and one of the ideas proposed was to encourage homeowners to leave their outside lights on throughout the night "Light up Prestwick". If you drive through your subdivision late at night or early in the morning, you may be surprised at just how dark it is and just how inviting that would be to criminals to target parked cars. For those concerned about the extra energy use this may be a good time to switch over to LED light bulbs which have big cost savings and longevity. They also have developed much warmer hues of light from earlier products which some people may not like. <http://www.homedepot.com/b/Lighting-Ceiling-Fans-Light-Bulbs-LED-Light-Bulbs/N-5yc1vZbm79>

Homeowners may opt to install timers so lights are controlled automatically. <http://www.homedepot.com/b/Electrical-Dimmers-Switches-Outlets-Timers/N-5yc1vZc334> Or motion sensors on outdoor lighting (please keep in mind not to shine flood lights on your neighbors window). <http://www.homedepot.com/b/Lighting-Ceiling-Fans-Outdoor-Lighting-Outdoor-Security-Lighting/Motion-Sensing/N-5yc1vZc7qfZ1z0mncp>

Your neighbors appreciate your support in making our area less vulnerable to this crime.

Entrances

Tom Wiese noted how beautiful the Prestwick entrances look this Fall. The Board would like to extend a "job well done!" to Trevarthan Landscaping & Maintenance. We look forward to the holiday decorations soon to come. By now, the Village should have performed winter service for the water supply lines. Looking ahead to the Spring, Tom Wiese reported that some of the unneeded sprinkler heads will be capped off.

Membership

Although home sales have continued to slow down in Prestwick, Jim Nolting and Cathy Wrigley remain busy welcoming new homeowners from sales earlier in the year. The Board is still looking for someone to take over Membership for Prestwick Drive. Ideally, the person would live on Prestwick Drive and contact homeowners about joining PHA and supporting the many things that PHA does. If you are interested or would like to learn more, please contact PHA President Brandon Palmer. Until the Prestwick Drive Membership position is filled, Bill Matevich will visit new homeowners in that section.

Architectural Review Committee

Important: Please note that ARC Chairperson Steve Larson's email has changed. You may contact him at steveaxel50@gmail.com with any questions concerning ARC review of home repairs and remodeling.

Steve reported that he has been advised of deck construction without a permit. Please remember that all construction and

exterior remodeling, including decks, requires PHA ARC approval and a Village permit.

Financial

Tom Kazmierczak reported that PHA collected \$300 in 2018 dues since September 1, 2017. Tom noted that \$300 was paid to Carefree for sprinkler repairs.

He advised that Trevarthan Landscaping estimate for 2018 is \$13,000, a \$300 increase from 2017. The Board voted to accept Trevarthan Landscaping's 2018 proposal.

Tom further reported that insurance is due in November. He and Brandon have obtained insurance estimates for Board review.

Code Enforcement

The Board discussed continuing health/safety and property maintenance concerns that have been reported to the Board. The Board is working directly with the Village to resolve some of these long standing code violations.

The Village of Frankfort Traffic Committee conducted speed monitoring (did you find yourself slowing down for the monitoring signs?) on Aberdeen Road and Prestwick Drive in response to numerous complaints. Subsequent to the Board meeting, Rich Misiorowski reported Traffic Committee findings: Aberdeen Road speeds were within normal ranges, however, Prestwick Drive speeds were somewhat higher. Please remember to observe all posted speed limits—especially as it is getting dark earlier in the evening. Your neighbor may be out enjoying a leisurely walk.

The Traffic Committee also investigated the intersection of Harlem and Aberdeen. There have been complaints about traffic, including school buses, stopping/standing/parking at this somewhat “blind corner.” The Village Traffic Committee will make a recommendation to the Village Board to install “NO PARKING, STOPPING OR STANDING” signage for both the north and south sides of Aberdeen at its intersection with Harlem.

Next Meeting Date

Our next meeting will be Thursday, December 14th, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. at Prestwick Country Club. If you plan on attending, please email Brandon Palmer at BAP80@aol.com so we can ensure there is adequate space.

Welcome To The Neighborhood!



Please help the association welcome our newest neighbors:

Eric and Carey Zamazal - 888 Glenbarr Lane
Aleksander Ciupek - 648 Pheasant Trail
Peter and Marylyn Kroner - 618 Prestwick Drive
Mike and Sara Burdick - 941 Shetland
Jim and Katie Beck - 619 Prestwick Dr
Scott and Nicole Underwood - 889 Glenbarr Ln.
Travis Arnold & Sinead O'Sullivan - 673 Fairway Lane

Prestwick Community Improvements

The PHA board would like to devote some e-newsletter space to recognizing the efforts of Prestwick residents who have invested extensive time and money into beautifying their properties. From gorgeous landscaping that complements the home to improvements that breathe new life into a fixer upper, we commend these homeowners for their commitment to excellence. We also encourage you to participate in this recognition process by nominating your neighbors! Simply send an email to PHA board member Tom Wiese at wiesetom@hotmail.com with the subject line "Beautification" and the address you feel deserves a mention. Truly, when individual properties look lovely, our whole neighborhood shines like the gem it is!

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