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Ridgewood Hills News – Fall 2023

Ridgewood Hills Subdivision Association

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Welcome Fall and Happy Harvest Ridgewood Hills!

From the RHSA Board, we send best wishes for a beautiful and fun-filled Michigan fall season. Please enjoy the latest newsletter edition and, as always, feel free to send along any comments, suggestions, or additional content. We would love to hear from you!

Board Update

- Following the Board election results, Bart Kreger and Mike DiSalvo were re-elected and will continue in their current roles – each for a 3-year term beginning with the September Board meeting. In addition, we would like to extend a very heartfelt thank you to Ron Ross whose term expired. Ron was a board member for many, many years and did much of the heavy lifting on the maintenance committee. He was responsible for the winter and summer maintenance contracts, taking the lead to oversee the GOF maintenance/upgrades, as well as the overall sewer upgrades and road maintenance. The time and effort put in by Ron allowed the RHSA Board to avoid hiring expensive contractors for the residents to fund. We are grateful for all that he contributed and wish him much deserved rest! If you see him around the neighborhood, please take a moment to personally thank him.
- As a friendly reminder, any ordinance/standards concerns with a neighbor can often be corrected by simply making them aware of the concern. If you have a concern, we strongly encourage you to speak with your neighbors directly before contacting the Board. If you receive a visit or communication from Farah, please be considerate and respectful - remember, this is a volunteer position and keeping 380-plus households happy can be challenging!
- If you are looking for an opportunity to serve the Ridgewood Hills community and are ready to be part of governing body – please consider joining the team of dedicated individuals and bring your suggestions and ideas on how to keep our sub the place that everyone wants to live in! Please reach out to any Board member for more information.

- The RHSA Board continues to work with lawyer Greg Fioritto to finalize the Homeowners Association legal documents. The Articles of Incorporation were approved in the Spring. The Declaration of Restrictions vote tabulation is almost complete. This document is being updated for the first time and contains much needed modifications that benefit the entire sub and all homeowners. You will find the proposed updates on the website if you don't have your copy. If you have not yet submitted your form with your vote, please do so as soon as possible - remember that ALL persons on the deed must sign the form. You can contact any Board member to come pick it up, or you can mail to the address noted at the top of this newsletter. We remain hopeful that this can be concluded by the end of the calendar year. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Reminders and Requests

- **LATE DUES:** 2023 Dues were payable by March 31, 2023. If you have not paid these please remit them, plus a \$50 late fee to RIDGEWOOD HILLS SUBDIVISION ASSOCIATION at P. O. Box 5492, Plymouth, MI, 48170. This will avoid a lien being placed on your property and causing additional cost. If you have any questions, please contact our Treasurer, Mike DiSalvo.
- **SPEED LIMIT:** Yes – there is one! The sub speed limit is 25MPH. Students are back to school and there are many student bus stops in the sub. With the mornings getting darker, it can be more challenging to see, so please be careful and think “safety first”.
- **GARBAGE CONTAINERS:** Nothing new there - per our sub ordinance, they are to be stored out of sight. The Board has been receiving complaints about this issue – so, please, be considerate and don't make your neighbors look at yours!!!



Maintenance Corner/Sub Improvement Updates

- Tree/Shrub Trimming and Weed Maintenance:
 - Thanks to all residents who trimmed the trees and shrubs over sidewalks, both inside the sub and on the outer perimeter, to maintain compliance to the township ordinance. Unfortunately, we are not 100% compliant with this ordinance. The Board continues to receive complaints about it, as well as neighbors not tending to their yards. Please do your part to help maintain a safe and pleasant neighborhood. If you have any questions, please check out the Township website for information on requirements and penalties.
- Storm Sewer Inspection and Repair:
 - Completed!
- Road Crack Sealing:
 - We have finally contracted a service to do our road crack sealing throughout the subdivision! And, it is scheduled to be completed by November 1st or shortly thereafter, weather permitting. More information will follow once we have the actual schedule. Thank you to Gary for his relentless efforts to get it arranged.



Farmer's Market continues through October 21st (8am – 12:30pm)

Fall Forest Walks at Miller Woods

Come out for a pleasant stroll and join the Friends of Miller Woods for their fall walk in the woods. Guided tours will be on Sunday October 22nd and 29th, from 2-4 p.m. Learn about this lovely urban forest, including tree and leaf identification, and history of Miller woods. No dogs or strollers allowed in woods.

Tours start at 2 pm at the entrance on Powell Road, just east of N. Territorial, and last about one hour. Tours leave every 30 minutes. For more info and up-to-date weather cancellations, visit millerwoods.com.

Other Fun Happenings

Scarecrows in the Park	Friday, September 22 nd – Thursday, November 2 nd
Fall Colors (Township Park 4 Season Pavilion)	Sunday, October 8 th , 11:00am – 2:00pm
Pumpkin Palooza	Sunday, October 22nd 11:30am-2:30 p.m.
Boulevard Tree Lighting / Salvation Army Red Kettle Kick-Off	Friday, November 10 th 6:30 p.m.
Ladies Holiday Shopping Event	Thursday, November 16 th , 4:00pm-8:00pm
Santa's City of Plymouth Parade	Friday, November 24th 5:15 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Walk of Trees	November 24th – Jan 1st 2024
Christmas in Plymouth & Mistletoe Market	December 7th- 9th



RHSA Comic Relief Corner!!!!

A man goes into a pet shop to buy a parrot. The shop owner points to three identical-looking parrots on a perch and says, "The parrot on the left costs \$500 dollars."

"Why does the parrot cost so much?" asks the man. The owner says "Well the parrot knows how to use a computer."

The man then asks about the next parrot and learns that it costs \$1,000 dollars because it can do everything the first parrot can do plus it knows how to use the UNIX operating system.

Naturally, the increasingly startled man asks about the third parrot, only to be told that it costs \$2,000 dollars. Needless to say, this begs the question, "What can it do?"

To which the owner replies, "To be honest, I have never seen it do anything, but the other two call him boss!"

For Your Enjoyment

If you walk, run, drive, or bike through the sub, you will see some great (and spooky) autumn scenery – thanks to the neighbors who help make the sub look great for everyone to enjoy!!







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