

CITY
EVENTS

- **Bald Eagles** are nesting at Eagle Marsh on Engle Road
- **Farmers Market** every weekend all winter at Parkview Field
- **Childrens Zoo** hours 12-6 until the 31st.
- **Many,many** craft fairs going on around the city and our neighborhood come out and support local crafters.

KEEP YOUR CARS OFF YOUR GRASS!!!!!! IT IS AGAINST OUR ASSOCIATION RULES DON'T PUT YOUR NEIGHBOR IN THE POSITION TO CALL 311. POTENTIAL HOME BUYERS DO NOT WANT TO LIVE IN A NEIGHBORHOOD THAT LOOKS UNKEMPT.

Deerfield Estates

FALL 2016

Fall Cleanup Trick or Treat

Fall is my favorite season for the most part I love everything about it, including the cool crisp mornings and the beautiful colors that nature provides us when the leaves change to their bright vibrant colors just before falling to the ground and making a ton of work for everyone in the neighborhood. So perhaps I spoke too soon about loving everything about the fall season.

This year **Leaf Pickup will begin 10/31 -11/4**
2nd week will be 11/28-12/2

Leaves can always be put in biodegradable bags and call 311 for pickup.

No promises but if you cant get your leaves raked due to age or illness call me 205-0771

I'm sure by now everyone has heard about the clown epidemic going on in our country. It is amazing and beyond my comprehension as to why anyone would want to take a beloved childhood character and turn them in to spooky bad guys.

Trick or treat should be a fun adventure for children and a time for everyone to feel safe and enjoy the evening. Parents should be able help their children enjoy the event with-



out fear for their safety. I would like to encourage all of our association to keep a watchful eye the evening of Trick or Treating and make sure that no one spoils this longtime tradition in our neighborhood.

If you are a bad guy clown or know of one I urge you to not choose our neighborhood, not only are we watching for you we are ready for you!

Trick or Treat hours are October 31 from 5P.M.- 7 P.M.

Porch Lights On If you are participating.

Support Local Businesses

When Ed and I first moved in there was a Yo-Yo's in our neighborhood. I must admit we did not frequent it often but I was very sad to see it go. Recently I saw we have 2 new businesses right around the corner from us.

If you need any home furnishings please check out the new store by Starbucks

Dogwoods Furnishings

Also there is a new food establishment if you like Sushi it is in the old Yo-Yo's location.



I am starting a recipe corner so if you have a favorite recipe please share it with me so that I can put it in the newsletters for all to enjoy.

Easy Banana Pudding Recipe

2/3 Cup Sugar

3 Cups Milk

1 Egg

3 Tbsp. Flour

Bananas

1 Tsp. Vanilla

Place flour in a bowl and add part of the milk to make a paste, beat the egg in the remaining milk then add all remaining ingredients except bananas and stir over medium heat constantly until it thickens. Once it has thickened to pudding place in the refrigerator and allow to cool. Slice bananas and add to the pudding. Top with crushed vanilla wafers and enjoy!

Crime

There have been reports of many break ins in the general area. It seems that the criminals have been quite gutsy lately. Stealing garage remotes out of cars and coming back later to break in.

Taking things out of peoples garages, and now coming to the front door and trying to walk through the door.

Security has been discussed at many of the board meetings and I understand how scary these close calls can be.

However, if you look at the safest neighborhoods in Fort

Wayne you will find that our neighborhood is ranked #5. That's a pretty great ranking and a pretty fabulous place to live.

Ed went on a walk around the neighborhood a few weeks



Beautiful time of year

ago at 4 in the morning and came home and told me how surprised he was at how many garage doors there were standing wide open at this time of the morning. This may not be the best action for safety but it shows that overall people feel safe in our neighborhood.

While there are some negatives going on in the city there are far more positives.

So lets be smart and watch out for ourselves and our neighbors.



Anyone interested in a ladies Bible study this winter?

Shop now to buy the perfect Thanksgiving pants for eating Goodies!

Geography has made us neighbors. History has made us friends. Economics has made us partners, and necessity has made us allies. Those whom God has so joined together, let no man put asunder.

Information Update

As of our last board meeting there were still 8 homeowners that had not paid their \$40 dues. For those of you that would like to pay by credit card you can do so by calling me and making arrangements to meet me by either coming to my house or me coming to yours.

It is extremely important to pay your association dues before winter. This is the money used to pay for snow plowing and it is said that this winter

could be a real tough one.

Last week Google Maps came through our addition and took street side pictures of all of our homes. I hope all of your homes looked better than mine that day.

I also think it is time to update information for the directory if you have any updates needed for your home information please contact Carol Conte at 260-432-2481. Along with this update remember to update

any skills that you have that could be useful to other residents or needed in times of an emergency.

Covenants

It has come to the boards attention that people may not have the full list of covenants created for our housing addition. I am going downtown this next week to get a copy of the originals.

Many people have said that they remember there being certain rules and information in the covenants but when you read them and look for it we

can't find it. We are going to get the complete copy and make sure all residents have a copy because all rules and regulations are going to be enforced now that we have educated ourselves on the ramifications of not enforcing them.

We are also working to figure out if it is time to update or write addendums to the exist-

ing verbage. If there is something that you would like the board to research or add please put these in writing and forward them to a board member. All requests must be in writing to be considered.

Newsletter Boxes

Information for our neighborhood is passed along by our Facebook page, word of mouth and the newsletter.

Next week Ed and I will be going around to the different mailbox stations and installing covered newsletter boxes much like the ones used by realtors. I will put copies of

the newsletters in the boxes for people who may not be able to see it by other means.

Please do not stick anything else in the boxes without permission from the board and we also ask that you do not tamper with the boxes this in-

cludes graffiti from children. Last summer several mailbox stations were damaged by a teenager going around carving initials into them. We want to continue to have an affordable association dues do not want to raise them because of vandalism expenses.