

# Deerfield Estates Estates March 2016

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**Association  
Dues  
Are due  
By  
April 1, 2016  
We ask that if  
you owe for  
more than one  
year that you  
also catch up  
this year**

I hope I am not the only one that loves to garden and I look forward to sharing plants and flowers with my neighbors.

If you have not yet checked out Vintage Treasures on Coliseum behind Chuck E Cheese you will want to add it to your must do list. Also Emiley's Haute Cottage on Wayne Street. Both great places to get home décor items and furniture at a discount.

Also, great places for decorating ideas.

For those of you that were following us on Facebook and were wondering if anything ever became of the car that took pictures of houses on Buck Ct. The police department visited these people and informed them that they were on video and should not return to our neighborhood without just cause.

## WHY DO WE NEED AN ASSOCIATION BOARD WHAT THE HECK DO THEY DO?

Deerfield Estates is the first home association that my husband and I have lived in. So we really were not quite sure what the purpose of having a board of directors was for and why did we have to pay these people \$40 per year to live in our home. This is now our second year to serve on the board and we have a new understanding of what the board is for and where the fees go. First and probably most importantly is that the board helps to protect our property values.

If it were not for the board and our covenants your neighbor could do anything that they wanted on their property and some of the decisions that they may make could greatly reduce

and the realtor begins to show your home, it could be very hard to sell with the eye sore that has become your neighbors.



### *Excited for the lake*

The value of their property and yours. Imagine living next to a hoarder that has allowed these possessions to flow over into the yard. When you decide to sell your home

The board maintains and cares for the entrance signs.

Snow removal and salting of the streets .

These are just a few examples of board responsibilities and where your money goes. If you have other questions please come to a meeting at 9630 Buck Ct on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7:00 pm would love to have you.

## AROUND THE CITY

**FARMERS MARKETS**  
Indoor markets from 9-1 on the first and third Saturdays each month through May 21, 2016 at Lincoln Financial Event Center.

Young Leaders of

Northeast Indiana offers an indoor market from 9-1 the second and fourth Saturdays of each month through April 23 at Wunderkammer Company. 3402 Fairfield Ave.

There are many ven-

dors that offer home baked goods and foods along with organic foods, soaps arts and crafts items. These are great opportunities for family outings when the weather is cold.

**City Requests:**  
 The city has sent out a form requesting a wish list from our addition. Some of which may still be in the 2016 budget.  
 The board has decided to request additional street lights at the end of each cul-de-sac and on the long stretches of Caribou and Reindeer. Keep your fingers crossed.

**Association Garage Sale Dates:**

We have decided to have 2 Associations Garage Sales this year.  
 One at the end of Spring on April and 29th and 30th  
 The other is June 10th and 11th.

The association will put large banners at the entrances of Illinois Rd. just prior to the sales. We will advertise on Craigslist and on numerous garage sale

sites. It will also be advertised in the paper at the expense of the association. Also, numerous garage sale signs will be posted throughout the addition. A great time to clean house and make some

**“Don’t forget to fill out your paperwork that came with your dues notice. It is important for the directory and news info.**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**  
**DEERFIELD ESTATES ANNUAL BLOCK PARTY**  
 JUNE 25TH  
 2-WHENEVER  
 9630 BUCK COURT  
 EVEN HOUSE NUMBERS BRING A MAIN DISH AND ODD NUMBERS BRING DESERT



WE HAD A VERY LOW TURNOUT FOR THE ANNUAL ASSOCIATION MEETING IN JANUARY SO WE HAVE DECIDED TO ADD A SEMI ANNUAL MEETING ON JUNE 20TH. AT THIS MEETING WE WILL BE DISCUSSING ITEMS OF INTEREST TO OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. EVERYONE SHOULD TRY TO ATTEND. WE HAVE NUMEROUS IMPORTANT TOPICS TO DISCUSS.

**SALT BOXES!**

We are excited to add salt boxes to each entrance next year.  
 If you notice that the entrance seems slippery feel free to throw some salt on it.  
 Another example of the association boards works and what your money goes for.

**SCHOOL BUS STOPS AND STOP SIGNS**

There is still an issue with people running the Stop signs, and speeding past the school bus stops. For awhile the police department did a fabulous job of watching and stop-

ping the cars that were blowing through it. This wasn't so much an attempt to write citations but more an opportunity to stress the importance of being safe when traveling

through the addition. Apparently not everyone can get by with friendly reminders. So this is just a heads up that citations and fines will be written this time.