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Newsletter

Contact Information

MCA Officers (Elected by the Board of Directors)

Bylaws Position Board Elected

President Larry Keeling

VP Administration by legal subcommittee

VP of Membership Carmen Langston VP of Publicity Volunteer Needed

VP of Social Patty Brown Secretary Mike Barrett Treasurer Joan White

**MCA Board of Directors** 

Self-Nominations @ October General Meeting

Bylaws PositionMember ElectedAt LargeArlin FillerAt LargeLarry Keeling

At Large Dick & Jean Uhrick

Beaverbrook Carmen Langston

Birchdale (Gardens)

Birchdale (Park)

Brooklawn & Woodcrest

Joan White

Mary Keeling

Paul Cordray

Clovercrest Helen Gochenour

Fernbank Cindy Smith & Jim Brown Glenview Dr & Glenview Ct Volunteer Needed

Kenfield & Lawnwood Kirkdale Paul Cordray Earl & Dee Welty

Maplecrest Joe Rich

Midfield Mike & Marie Barrett

Oakleaf Patty Brown
Sandhurst Patty Brown
Springwood Maryanne Rich
Sunland Paul Ward
Trier Joe Rich

Wedgewood Volunteer Needed

**Architectural Control Committee** 

Covenant Position Member Elected Mike Barrett

Paul Cordray Rick Jennings



Knock, Knock... Who's there? Little Old Lady... Little Old Lady Who?

I didn't know you could yodel...



Fall / Winter 2016 Newsletter

# **MAPLEWOOD**

# **COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION**



August 29	Board Meeting 7p
•	. Association Fall Garage Sales Tox-Away Day acwastewatcher.org Johnny Appleseed Festival
October I	. Dues Invoice enclosed w/newsletter
October I	Tire Amnesty Day acwastewatcher.org
October 3	Officers Meeting @ 6220 Birchdale Dr 7p
October 10	Association General Meeting
October 24	Board Meeting 7p w/Officer elections
October 29	St. Joseph Township Fire Dept Halloween
October 30	. Dues Invoice payable per Covenants
November 24	Happy Thanksgiving
December 21	Holiday Lighting Contest and Judging
	Happy Holidays and safe travels

# **Fall General Meeting**

Monday, October 10th 7:00 P.M. St. Joseph Township Fire Station Hall Maplewood Gardens and Maplewood Park Your meeting is called to order...

Per our bylaws a quorum is 1/10 of membership to conduct business collectively 42 homes must be presented. No proxies issued for this meeting.

The meeting will cover officer reports; invited guest speakers: FWPD liaison officer and Paul Ensley, City Council; open Q&A forum as needed regarding the ACC forms and covenants. Open the floor to new business and member concerns.

**Member Action Items:** Board of Directors self nomination night; all elected Board of Directors will meet October 24<sup>th</sup> for organization and officer elections.

LIVING IN A GOOD NEIGHBORHOOD ISN'T A RIGHT; IT'S A RESPONSIBILITY.

# Saturday, October 29th a Safe Halloween Celebration sponsored by St. Joseph Township Fire Dept.

Free community Halloween event. Come in costume or just as you are for games, fun and treats. Safer than going door to door, shelter in case it's raining and see their equipment up close... Watch the LED sign or follow

them on Facebook for specific event times. Direct donations graciously accepted.



## Architectural Control Committee

Activity Report Aug'15-Jul'16

New Construction...1 room addition, 1 fence and 3 sheds. Replacement / Improvements...2 roof replacements & 2 shed modifications. General Inquiries...shed restrictions, pets allowed and when to send/use form. Grievances Reported...too much noise, construction without permits and parking on the lawn.

### Did you know it's a covenant violation for failing to get prior approval...?

As a general guideline, any permanent fixture requires prior authorization; i.e. roof, fence... Temporary fixtures do not require authorization such as inflatable pools.

Establish your scope of work, complete the first page of the ACC form (found on the website or call the committee for a copy) and return it by email for the fastest turn around (about a week).

Utilizing the ACC form enables you to more effectively communicate changes or grievances in a standardized manner and creates the paper trail to protect all parties.



The city has provided the paint; we need your help to paint the fire hydrants; upon completion/inspection you'll receive \$10 per hydrant. Call Mike Barrett for details; a great chance for teenagers to get involved, work with friends & earn a few bucks.















Maplecrest widening update: Environmental documents are pending federal approval before the city can proceed with right-of-way acquisitions. Pending approval, in September 2016 the city will start approaching adjacent property owners with settlements. Properties with entrance signage need to jointly notify and meet with MCA to discuss alternate signage locations.

Only a couple designs have been submitted for consideration with an estimated cost of \$7,000 per entrance. This advance planning will minimize the need for a special assessment to fund these capital expenditures. Don't miss this opportunity for input into our recognition and its cost to you and the neighborhood as a whole. No firm deadline has been established yet but that's no excuse to delay; submit your ideas ASAP.

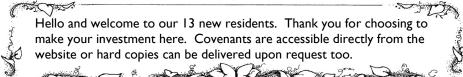
Leaves can be raked to the curb but not into the street or bag them. The city's leaf collection schedule will be distributed in the utility bill.



### HOLIDAY LIGHTING CONTEST

by December 21st judging by a panel of 3 judges Categories: Best use of Theme Best use of Color Most Lights





# Budget / Dues Assessment Oct'16 - Sept'17

Repair & Maintenance:		
Snow	5,140	winter 2016 – spring 2017
Entrances	1,600	
Social Events/Misc.	1,140	dependent on R&M costs
Insurance	614	
Legal	2,500	
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Dues Collection	901	DG
Capital Investments:		ET
Entrance Signage	0	
Total Budget	11,895	

Annual Dues Assessment: 417 homes in the Association

270 Maplecrest 18 homes @ \$15 345 Trier 23 homes @ \$15 Remaining 376 homes @ \$30 11,280 **Total Dues Assessed** 11,895

In accordance to Indiana IC 32.25.5, this communication to Members establishes the budget for October 2016 - September 2017 and was used to calculate the annual dues assessment. Your annual dues assessment dated October 1, 2016 is enclosed with this newsletter and is payable by October 30, 2016. Maplewood Community Association is a 501c7 corporation.

# Legal News / Stats

Unfortunately, the association had to begin filing liens against properties for unpaid dues assessments. This caused upfront legal expenses which for the most part are recouped as the liens are paid.

This summary is current through August 2nd.

<u>Liens filed</u>	<u>Paid</u>	Delinquent/Future Foreclosures
100	78	22
19	6	13
16	0	16
	100 19	100 78 19 6

Another curtesy reminder was mailed encouraging Members to pay the outstanding liens before we're forced to foreclose on the properties at an additional/significate expense. Per Indiana Code § 32-28-14-8, the statute allows for home owners associations to foreclose on its liens in years 1-5 of issue.