



ASPENHOF

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A Newsletter for the Property Owners of Aspenhof

Spring 2014

Owners Meeting

7 p.m. Thursday, March 13

Tillman Elementary School

230 Quan Avenue

Kirkwood, MO 63122

From the Chairperson:

2014 at Aspenhof!

By the time you read this, I hope that we are experiencing the end of a very cold winter. I know everyone has their fingers crossed when they first turn the water back on, hopeful of no burst pipes. 2014 is a big year for us at Aspenhof. It is the 50th anniversary of our community, founded and developed by Ed Boyce in 1964. The board is working on some kind of celebration this year and more information on this will be shared as it becomes available.

It is also a year of big change. We have been working through the winter with the Missouri Department of Transportation, and plans are under way, starting this spring, to build a new entry road off of Highway 47 into Aspenhof, directly across from the south Coventry entrance. This is about 300 feet south of our current entrance and will provide significantly better and safer sight lines when entering or exiting Aspenhof.

The Trustees are planning to erect a temporary gate along our existing road, farther down from the

current gate. We will use our existing gate and road until the new road is completed, after which time we will use the temporary gate. When the new entrance is open for us, the contractor will close and destroy the existing entry as part of the realignment and straightening of Highway 47. MoDot has told us that they will give the newly constructed road to Aspenhof **AFTER** it has accepted the completed project, sometime in the fall at the earliest. Until that time, we cannot put up a permanent gate or provide any electric service because the new road is considered a MoDot Right of Way and does not belong to us.

Practically, what this means is that there will not be an electric light at the gate or the entrance off of Highway 47 for most of the year (after the existing light is removed by Cuivre River). The Board has been working with Cuivre River on plans to erect new dusk-to-dawn lights after the project is handed over to Aspenhof. For 2014, we encourage all homeowners to carry a flashlight in their cars when coming out to Aspenhof in the dark. Some solar lights at the temporary gate entry are planned. We will provide more details and answer any questions you might have at our spring meeting March 13 at 7 p.m. at Tillman Elementary School in Kirkwood. I encourage all to attend.

On balance, we will be receiving a fine new entry road in return for living through a bit of change this year. The Board will continue to update everyone via the Google Group.

Like all of you, I am looking forward to the spring and the beauty of Aspenhof after a cold and snowy winter.

Teresa Wetzel, Chair of the Board of Trustees

Dump your junk

Need to do some spring cleaning at your cabin? Aspenhof will provide a large construction-style dumpster for some items that are prohibited in the trash dumpster. Here's your chance to get rid of an old mattress, rotten wood from under your cabin or other bulky items that do not go into the regular dumpster. The larger dumpster will be available on the last weekend in March (29-30) and the first weekend in April (5 -6). Here are the rules:

Not allowed: Tires; yard waste such as leaves, trees, tree limbs, shrubs, grass clippings, sticks, weeds, flowers, firewood; clean-fill items such as rock, concrete, brick, mortar, asphalt, sand, dirt, sod, concrete block or gravel; hazardous or flammable items; items containing gas or oil; car batteries; appliances.

This dumpster will be on a first-come first-serve basis and **cannot** be over filled. Please be considerate of your fellow cabin owners. If this works well, we will do it again next spring. Remember, the trash dumpster is for **household trash only**. No large boxes, no construction debris, no boxes from construction projects, no furniture or mattresses, etc.

Mark Bremehr, Trustee (security)

From the Treasurer:

Assessments have been received from 147 of the 151 lots, and late fees of \$50 are now in effect. If you have not paid, please mail your check to 14308 Conway Meadows Court E, Chesterfield, MO, 63017. Thank you to all who paid on time.

Karel Smith, Trustee (Treasurer)



Ready for summer?

Hangtags

All hangtags for each cabin will be distributed in one envelope. Tags may be picked up by any owner listed for that cabin. This spring we will have three ways for the owners to get their **Gold** hangtags. They are listed, here in order of preference:

- **Come to the spring meeting. March 13 at Tillman Elementary School, 7 p.m.** The new hangtags will be available before the meeting. If you are not the owner of record, you will need a signed letter from the owner to get the tags. This letter must state: I, *name & cabin #*, do authorize, *name & cabin #*, to pick up my hangtags and be signed by the cabin owner whose tags are being picked up.
- **Tags may be picked up every Saturday in May.** We will have the tags at the beach (or maintenance shed) depending on the weather from **9 a.m. – 11 a.m.** If you are not the owner of record, you will need a signed letter from the owner to get the tags. This letter must state: I, *name, cabin #*, do authorize, *name & cabin #*, to pick up my hangtags and be signed by the cabin owner whose and tags are being picked up.
- **Call me.** (Mark Bremehr) If you can't make any of the above times, I will set up a time and place to meet you. I live in Webster Groves and am at Aspenhof quite a bit. I can be reached at 314-960-5092.

PLEASE NOTE: As of Sunday, June 1, only the gold tags will be valid.

Mark Bremehr, Trustee (security)

Roads

The roads are in generally good shape, considering our fall and winter weather. The roads have been plowed twice (as of Feb. 1). Several potholes have surfaced but maintenance has been delayed because of freezing surface conditions. Be advised that sloppy roads tend to be an issue when thawing occurs.

Dave Kroger, Trustee (roads)

Lakes

Additional copies of my flier, which explains the process and purpose of our highly successful 2013 lake habitat improvement effort, will be available at the March cabin owners meeting. Also to be available, for the first time to the general public, what every fisher person has been waiting for: the “secret” lake map identifying the precise location of each sunken tree, log, stump and rock pile. Heretofore, this precious map was distributed to the habitat planting volunteers only. So don’t be left out; come to the meeting, grab a map and be ready to catch a lunker as soon as the ice thaws.

Jim Reddy, Trustee (lakes)

Join Google Group:

For the latest news join our Google Group at <http://groups.google.com/group/Aspenhof>

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