

----Home Owner Association 2012 Update ------

It's time for <u>Annual Membership Dues!</u>
Better late than never they say!
The good news.... **Dues remain at \$40.00 this year!**

The Board met in February to review the budget for 2012 and passed to the motion to keep membership dues at \$40.00 for 2012-13.

Although we have seen rising costs in vendor(s) services, insurance premiums, office supplies, postage expenses and bank charges we still have sufficient funds in the bank accounts to maintain dues at the current level. The Board Members will continue to work to find savings in all of these areas to keep OUR Association dues at the lowest possible rate.

Our association has received contributions from current and past Board Members that otherwise would contribute to the expense(s) in the budget. These donations vary from office supplies, time, services, goods, and more. We would like to make note that all contributions are gratefully accepted and appreciated no matter the size or variety and valued equally as they are recognized how they have saved us all by helping keep our membership dues lower. Please take note yearly budgets can and will vary if when these donations do not exist.

Please support your association with feedback and comments via: countrylake@gmail.com
or

Country Lake Association P.O Box 342 Potterville, MI 4887

The cul-de-sac monies have been discontinued for plantings. Maintenance will continue by the hired services of the lawn maintenance company and a weed control services. Members wishing to adding plantings will be responsible for their own costs & upkeep.

Don't forget to request your Driveway Parking Pass if you plan to have your RV or Trailer in for an extended period of time. Let the Board know your intentions. A quick email can keep us all on the same page. We encourage communication!

These have been tough times for all of us here in Michigan. We need to continue to preserve OUR property values for our biggest investments - OUR HOMES. If you worry that your Association is not a value in these hard times, read the support articles for H.O.A on the Web, drive through subdivisions that DON'T HAVE ASSOCIATONS and compare the quality of the homes. The Board members have been working with vendors to help facilitate the needs to move new neighbors into the empty homes and collect on the outstanding debts.

Support your Association. Pay your dues on time! Participate in the Association meetings! We are all in this together! We are all HOMEOWNERS!

Please remember to follow the Association rules and regulations. The bylaws are in place to maintain property values. We will contact any homeowner that is in violation of the rules. If you need a new copy of the bylaws, you may request one at the email address above. If you need any clarification on any of the rules, please contact us.

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Our Annual meetings have been held each year in the late summer or Early Fall. Last year we included a Family Picnic. 50% turnout is our Goal for 2012...What will it take to get you to participate? Please let us know on the return form if you are interested in having another Annual Meeting included with Summer/Fall cookout.









This event is usually well attended by garage sale bargain hunters.

This is a wonderful time to sell your unwanted items.