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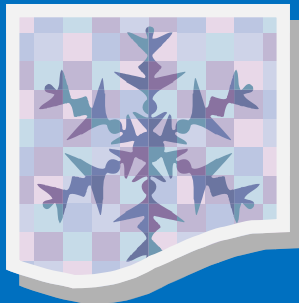
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**N OUR NEXT
NEWSLETTER,
WE WILL BE SHARING
A "FACT SHEET" FOR
HANDLING
HOUSEHOLD
HAZARDOUS WASTES!**



Franklin Lakes Homeowners Association

WINTER NEWSLETTER—VOL. 8, ISSUE 1

Franklin HOA Annual Meeting Determines No Change in Association Fee

Due to a low turnout (resulting in NOT having a required quorum for the 11/20/2012 designated November Annual Meeting, ; another date was set up for December 10th at the Theater (of the Franklin Parks Cultural Arts and Recreation Center).

In the 2nd meeting, the 2013 Budget was passed (See the Enclosed) - resulting in our association to retain its fee of \$135.00/year for each household. **N O T E : DUE TO THE CHANGEOVER TO A NEWER INVOICING SYSTEM, OUR DUES INVOICIES WILL BE MAILED OUT LATE IN THE FIRST WEEK OF FEBRUARY.**



Can We Uphold a "Safe Place" Program?

Safe Place is a national youth outreach program that educates thousands of young people every year about the dangers of running away or trying to resolve difficult, threatening situations on their own. Safe Place creates a network of "Safe Place locations". Possibly, in Franklin, you may have seen this distinctive yellow and black Safe Place sign on the front portion of our "youth friendly" businesses, schools, fire stations and library.



The Youth Connections (YC) Office is the local provider for the safe place program in Franklin Indiana, including Johnson County. YC has a safe place representative always available through their 24-hour helpline: by calling 186—KIDS(6738) -or- by texting: (317) 727-2571. A youth may go to any designated safe place site to get immediate help. Our youth deserve access to a safe place, and a chance to think through their problems with the support of a caring, professional staff member.

Kirkpatrick Management Chosen as P.M.

The Franklin Lakes HOA Board has made a decision to take our property management function from the Elite PM Company to the Kirkpatrick Management Co., effective January 1, 2013.

Please take a look at their background, history, mission statement, etc. located at the following Web Site:
www.ekirkpatrick.com/

See our contact info. in the bottom panel:



Any questions you may have as a homeowner can be brought to the attention of the Franklin Lakes HOA Board by contacting our PROPERTY MANAGER, KEVIN PATTERSON, of the KIRKPATRICK MANAGEMENT Co., INC. KEVIN's E-mail and phone number are as follows:
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Cold Weather Practices

Johnson County PARTNERSHIP FOR WATER QUALITY has produced a great pamphlet for use in our neighborhood. This was handed out in our first annual meeting on November 10, 2012, by guest speaker, Richard DeWitt, who is Franklin's Storm Water Coordinator. Mr. DeWitt addressed our water runoff from our lots to our four (4) lakes. Here are some of the tips made in this handout:



"Winter brings with it lot of fun activities - like sledding, ice-skating and skiing. The winter also means mounds of snow to shovel and layers of slippery ice to remove from our sidewalks and driveways. We often attempt to make the job easier by using various products like salt to melt the snow and ice. Besides sodium chloride, many deicers may often contain chemicals like cyanide. When the ice melts, the salts and chemicals dissolved will flow into our street drains" which go to our lakes - and eventually to the Youngs Creek Basin, endangering all aquatic life. Here are some tips:

- ♦ Shovel early and often. There is no substitute for muscle and "elbow grease"! Deicers work best when only a film layer of snow or ice must be melted. So head out and shovel, and try to move as much as you can during the storm, if possible.
- ♦ Reduce your salt use. Calcium magnesium acetate is an alternative, because it has no adverse environmental impacts, and this salt doesn't cause corrosion.
- ♦ Reduce the use of sand. Sand doesn't melt ice, it simply provides traction. But through storm water, sand will increase the amount of sediment that is in our lakes and creek basin - degrading or eliminating important habitat for aquatic organisms.

Emergency contact numbers for spills, disposal options, etc...would be the City of Franklin at 736-3640 x 1280—or—the Johnson County Drainage Board at 346-4342.

The FLHOA Budget is Enclosed!

Last December 10th, at the Franklin Lakes Homeowners Association's (FLHOA) Annual Meeting, the 2013 Budget was passed unanimously. We have strived in the past three (3) budgets to obtain a \$6,000 surplus by the end of this fiscal year - by having our single fee stand at \$135.00 per year. It is our hope to maintain such a surplus in case we were to have an emergency (e.g.—a dam leak in one of our four (4) lakes (Blue Heron, Whispering Pine, Walden and Glistening Emerald).

In the past three (3) years, we have increased our liability insurance amount with a \$5,000 deductible. This covers our entrances (with brick walls and illuminated signs and our common owned lake properties (the dams on our four (4) lakes which is where you can walk "from bird box to bird box".

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YOU CAN TAP INTO OUR CITY OF
FRANKLIN OFFICES / STAFF, MUNI-
PAL CODES,, A PLAT MAP OF FRANK-
LIN LAKES, JOHNSON COUNTY
OFFICES, /STAFF, etc.

HOW ABOUT A COPY OF:

- * YOUR FLHOA COVENANTS,
- * GUIDELINES TO COVENANTS,
- * FRANKLIN ZONING CODES?