

# MAPLEWOOD TERRACE AND DOWNS

A Northeast Fort Wayne Neighborhood Association

January, 2012

## *From The President:*

A big "Thank You" to all the residents who decorated their yards for the Christmas Season. Our neighborhood looked very festive and was decorated nicely for the season.

A reminder regarding snow removal -- If you want your driveway plowed, please contact "Knot Just Decks Inc." of Fort Wayne. Please contact Mike Woodfill @ 260.409.5220. The cost will be \$25.00 per removal service. Contact him ASAP so you will be sure to be on the list before we get a big snow. Also, if you are on the list and you or someone else clears your driveway, please call Mike and let him know. This is the same company that has done our driveways the past two years. Previously they were subcontracted through "Eric Jackson Landscape & Design". This year "Knot Just Decks Inc". will be billing the homeowners directly. You can expect the same quality of service as in the past.

Help Wanted Please !!! – Max Bell, the newsletter editor, has asked for a volunteer or volunteers to help with ideas for articles and writing articles. The newsletter is the best way for all the neighbors to find out important information about our neighborhood. If you are able to help, please contact Max at 485-5223. Thank you in advance for your help.

David Kohli

## **MTD Calendar**

**Northeast Area Partnership meetings.**  
**2nd Thursday of each month - 6:30 pm**  
**Good Shepherd United Meth. Church**

**Feb 2 - Feb 5**  
The 2012 Fort Wayne RV & Camping Show will fill the Coliseum with more than 100,000 square feet of RVs!

**Feb 9 - Feb 12**  
Fort Wayne Boat Show

**Open until Feb. 26th**  
Headwaters Park  
Ice Skating

**Jan 14 - Apr 8**  
Botanical Conservatory  
Down on the Fisher Price Farm  
\$1 night on Mar 1 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

**Mar 3 - Mar 18**  
"Gypsy"  
Fort Wayne Civic Theater

**Mar 22nd**  
"Damn Yankees"  
Embassy Theater

**Mar 23 - Mar 25**  
Fort Wayne Ballet  
"The Sleeping Beauty"

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## Preparing Your Pipes for Winter News You Can Use from Fort Wayne City Utilities

Is there anything more frustrating than waking up on a cold winter morning to find that you have no water because the pipes have frozen? Water pipes that are exposed to cold can freeze when the temperature drops to 20 or lower.

Taking a few simple steps before the snow flies can help protect your pipes.

### Indoor Pipes

Inside your home, the pipes that are most vulnerable to freezing are those located in un-insulated spaces such as crawl spaces, basements, attics and garages, or in exterior walls.

Before cold weather arrives, insulate pipes in these exposed areas with foam insulation at a minimum. If you have experienced frozen pipes in the past, consider wrapping those pipes with electrical heating tape and then insulating them.

If you can't protect pipes before cold weather sets in, you may need to let the water run during very cold weather. Remember, hot water pipes can also freeze, so let a small steady stream of lukewarm water run. For sinks against outside walls, it may also help to open cabinet doors below the sink so warm air can circulate.

If you're taking a winter vacation, don't turn off the heat. Leaving the thermostat set to at least 55 can help keep pipes from freezing.

### Water Meter

Customers of Fort Wayne City Utilities are responsible for making sure the water meter is protected from freezing. If the meter is in an unheated garage, keep the garage door closed to hold in as much heat as possible. Protect the meter in a basement or crawl space by closing off crawl space vents and doors, repairing broken windows and making sure basement doors and windows close tightly. You might also consider installing an insulated meter cover. If the meter does freeze, City Utilities customers may be charged more than \$130 for a replacement.

### Gutters

Clean leaves and other debris out of the gutters so that they will be able to carry away melting snow and ice. Leaves and other material can freeze in a downspout causing the downspout to burst or causing the gutters to overflow. As part of cleaning the gutters, use a hose to spray a concentrated stream of water down the downspout to force out any potential blockages.

### Exterior Faucets and Hoses

A dripping outdoor water faucet – also known as a hose bib or sill cock – can cause the faucet and water pipe that feeds it to freeze and break. Many hose bibs installed today are frost-free. If you have an older home turn off the water to the faucet inside the house if possible, then drain the faucet by turning it on for a few moments. If there is no inside shut-off, consider putting an insulated cover over the hose bib.

Disconnect the garden hose. Leaving the hose connected to the outside faucet can cause water to remain in the faucet. If it freezes, it can burst the pipe. Protect the hose itself by disconnecting and draining it, especially if you plan to leave it outside during the winter. If the water freezes inside the hose it may cause the hose to split.

If a pipe does freeze despite all of your precautions, and you know where the freeze up is located, you may be able to thaw the pipe yourself, but it should be done slowly and carefully to avoid a pipe break. One option is to use a hand-held hair dryer. Blow the warm air over the pipe, keeping the dryer moving. Another method is to wrap the frozen pipe with towels or rags and pour warm water over it. This is messy, but may work. Finally, make sure everyone in the house knows where the master water shut-off valve is located. In case a pipe bursts, you can turn off the water. The master shut-off is usually located near where the water line enters the house. You may want to tag the valve with a bright color so you don't have to search for it.

# Merry Christmas Maplewood







# Maplewood Terrace & Downs Association

January 2012

Well, it's that time of year again when the Maplewood Terrace & Downs Association dues are due. Even though inflation has affected most items, our dues will remain at the low rate of \$25.00 again this year. What a bargain when we compare this to the associations around us. With this \$25.00 per year, we are able to provide snow removal on our neighborhood streets within 24 hours of a snowfall and this past winter we contracted to plow numerous times with the heavy snowfalls we endured. True, the city plows snow in neighborhoods, but the neighborhoods are the last on their priority list and may not get to us for a week. In that time, we could have melting snow, then freezing temperatures making some difficult ruts to navigate through.

Also, for that \$25.00 per year per household, we are able to advertise our association garage sales twice a year, pay for the maintenance of our three entrance signs, and publish a quarterly news letter with information on city and neighborhood activities that may affect us all. The newsletter can also be used to advertise services you or your teen can provide to our association (baby-sitting; lawn maintenance; snow removable from drives and walkways, etc.)

Last year we had 196 households that paid their dues. Since we have 341 total homes the percentage was only 57%. We also had 26 homes that paid in 2011 and did not pay in 2010. However, we also had 31 homes that paid in 2010 and did not pay in 2011. That's a loss of 5 homes. Maybe this year we can all get on the same page and reach a goal of 67% (or maybe 100%) of all households paying their dues.

We are counting on you to participate by filling in the following form and returning with your 2012 dues, or maybe paying **online**. Thank you in advance for your immediate attention to this matter.

David Kohli, President

**Want to pay your Dues? Just fill in the bottom of this page and send along with a check made out to:**

**"Maplewood Terrace and Downs Association" and send to:**

Max Bell, Treasurer  
5108 Maple Terrace Pkwy.  
Fort Wayne, IN. 46835

You may also pay your dues online. See page 7 for details.

## Return With Your Payment

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to receive your newsletter via Email? Yes ☐

Has Your Email address changed? Yes ☐

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Due  
\$25.00

From Date  
01/01/2012

Through Date  
12/31/2012

Amount Paid

# 2011 Paid Dues List

6408 Ashbrook	6829 Bellefield	4932 Firwood	6335 Mapledowns
6424 Ashbrook	6916 Bellefield	5008 Firwood	6408 Mapledowns
6428 Ashbrook	6919 Bellefield	5009 Firwood	6419 Mapledowns
6429 Ashbrook	6924 Bellefield	5017 Firwood	6420 Mapledowns
6502 Ashbrook	6927 Bellefield	5024 Firwood	6424 Mapledowns
6518 Ashbrook	6933 Bellefield	5036 Firwood	6427 Mapledowns
6521 Ashbrook	6721 Briarcliff	4915 Maple Ridge	6430 Mapledowns
6524 Ashbrook	6728 Briarcliff	4916 Maple Ridge	6502 Mapledowns
6532 Ashbrook	6729 Briarcliff	4923 Maple Ridge	6508 Mapledowns
6637 Ashbrook	6804 Briarcliff	4934 Maple Ridge	6513 Mapledowns
6702 Ashbrook	6811 Briarcliff	4941 Maple Ridge	6516 Mapledowns
6707 Ashbrook	6819 Briarcliff	4942 Maple Ridge	6521 Mapledowns
6719 Ashbrook	6822 Briarcliff	5004 Maple Ridge	4615 Muirfield
6727 Ashbrook	6707 Cranbrook	5011 Maple Ridge	4624 Muirfield
6829 Ashbrook	6727 Curwood	5027 Maple Ridge	4629 Muirfield
6832 Ashbrook	6730 Curwood	5028 Maple Ridge	4630 Muirfield
6902 Ashbrook	6805 Curwood	5035 Maple Ridge	4705 Muirfield
6910 Ashbrook	6808 Curwood	4409 Maple Terrace Pkwy	4706 Muirfield
6918 Ashbrook	6811 Curwood	4410 Maple Terrace Pkwy	4712 Muirfield
6920 Ashbrook	6819 Curwood	4417 Maple Terrace Pkwy	4717 Muirfield
6932 Ashbrook	6820 Curwood	4425 Maple Terrace Pkwy	4718 Muirfield
4605 Beechcrest	6834 Curwood	4502 Maple Terrace Pkwy	4723 Muirfield
4615 Beechcrest	6928 Curwood	4505 Maple Terrace Pkwy	4908 Ridgedale
4616 Beechcrest	7010 Curwood	4511 Maple Terrace Pkwy	4918 Ridgedale
4624 Beechcrest	7020 Curwood	4520 Maple Terrace Pkwy	4923 Ridgedale
4715 Beechcrest	4910 Driftwood	4605 Maple Terrace Pkwy	4934 Ridgedale
4724 Beechcrest	4926 Driftwood	4606 Maple Terrace Pkwy	5003 Ridgedale
4732 Beechcrest	4934 Driftwood	4611 Maple Terrace Pkwy	5009 Ridgedale
6310 Bellefield	5001 Driftwood	4612 Maple Terrace Pkwy	5016 Ridgedale
6315 Bellefield	5002 Driftwood	4619 Maple Terrace Pkwy	5017 Ridgedale
6332 Bellefield	5010 Driftwood	4620 Maple Terrace Pkwy	5027 Ridgedale
6415 Bellefield	5024 Driftwood	4627 Maple Terrace Pkwy	5034 Ridgedale
6422 Bellefield	6816 Elmbrook	4715 Maple Terrace Pkwy	6725 Rockdale Court
6435 Bellefield	6822 Elmbrook	4725 Maple Terrace Pkwy	6807 Rockdale Court
6508 Bellefield	6831 Elmbrook	4812 Maple Terrace Pkwy	6808 Rockdale Court
6511 Bellefield	6915 Elmbrook	4910 Maple Terrace Pkwy	4831 Timberland
6514 Bellefield	6920 Elmbrook	4923 Maple Terrace Pkwy	4905 Timberland
6539 Bellefield	6923 Elmbrook	4926 Maple Terrace Pkwy	4919 Timberland
6626 Bellefield	6929 Elmbrook	4929 Maple Terrace Pkwy	4927 Timberland
6635 Bellefield	6930 Elmbrook	4934 Maple Terrace Pkwy	6405 Woodrock
6641 Bellefield	7007 Elmbrook	5002 Maple Terrace Pkwy	6407 Woodrock
6701 Bellefield	7015 Elmbrook	5003 Maple Terrace Pkwy	6410 Woodrock
6710 Bellefield	7023 Elmbrook	5019 Maple Terrace Pkwy	6415 Woodrock
6711 Bellefield	4902 Firwood	5026 Maple Terrace Pkwy	6435 Woodrock
6718 Bellefield	4908 Firwood	5027 Maple Terrace Pkwy	6436 Woodrock
6719 Bellefield	4915 Firwood	5108 Maple Terrace Pkwy	6519 Woodrock
6726 Bellefield	4916 Firwood	6318 Mapledowns	6522 Woodrock
6810 Bellefield	4924 Firwood	6328 Mapledowns	6527 Woodrock
6818 Bellefield	4931 Firwood	6329 Mapledowns	6528 Woodrock

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6424 Ashbrook  
6711 Bellefield  
6729 Briarcliff  
7020 Curwood  
6822 Elmbrook  
6930 Elmbrook  
7015 Elmbrook  
6420 Maple Downs  
4916 Maple Ridge


# Maplewood Terrace and Downs Neighborhood Association



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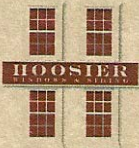
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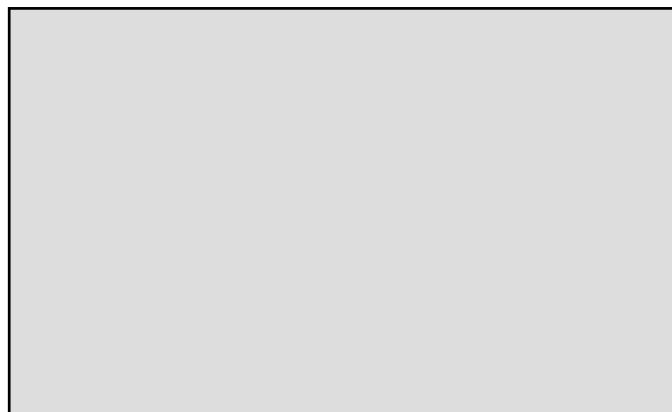


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## Burglary Prevention - Part 1

### Lighting

Ensure that all the lights are working around the perimeter of the home. Use energy efficient bulbs, and install motion sensor lighting on the rear of the property.

- Light fixtures should use transparent vandal resistant covers, and all light fixtures should be placed high enough to prevent unwanted persons from having access to them.
- Lights should be near the porch, garage, and any other areas where people will stand.
- Carports should be illuminated during all hours of the night.
- When the homeowner is not at home, use lights set on digital timers so that the times vary. Other appliances, such as stereos can also be added to digital timers. Adjust these so that it appears that someone is home. For example, the light and TV are on in the living room. A short time later, the lights and the stereo in the bedroom turn on, and moments later the living room electronics turn off.

## Association Finances

### Year To Date 2011

**Beginning Balance** .....\$3033.29

#### Receipts:

**Dues** .....\$4810.75  
**Misc** .....\$ 6.55

**Total** ..\$4817.30

#### Expenses:

**Misc**.....\$ 173.21  
**Garage Sales**.....\$ 56.75  
**Newsletter** .....\$ 580.33  
**Insurance** .....\$ 714.00  
**Dues Letter**.....\$ 119.22  
**Snow Plowing** .....\$2730.00

**Total** ..\$4373.51

**Balance on Hand** .....\$3477.08

#### Dues:

**Total Homes** ..... 341  
**Homes Paid** ..... 196  
**Percentage Paid** ..... 57%



## Maplewood Terrace and Downs Neighborhood Association

### Send us your e-mail

Help save on postage and receive your newsletter via e-mail. Send your email address to [mtdassociation@frontier.com](mailto:mtdassociation@frontier.com). Include your name and address so that we may omit it from the regular mailing. The next edition will be sent to your email address instead of regular mail.

**If your e-mail has changed recently, let us know.**

We now have 115 households that are receiving the newsletter electronically.

### Dues Payment Option

Pay your Maplewood Terrace and Downs Association dues online. Just go to

**[www.neighborhoodlink.com/Maplewood\\_Terrace\\_and\\_Downs/home](http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/Maplewood_Terrace_and_Downs/home)**

and select the **Pay Association Dues** option under **Pages & Links - External Links**. This will accept credit cards or Paypal methods of payment. ***This is a secure online payment method.***

### City Code Ordinances Available At

[www.cityoffortwayne.org](http://www.cityoffortwayne.org)



### Down on the Fisher-Price Farm

January 14 -April 8

Bring the little ones down to the Conservatory this winter for a fun time on the farm, where the barn goes “Moo!” and children can play at gathering eggs, milking the cow, churning butter, making pies, hanging the wash, and tending the garden.

Reminiscent of the old Fisher-Price farm set, the old red barn with its silo are the centerpiece of the exhibit. Mom and dad will enjoy coming in out of the cold for the smell of fresh earth and a view of growing plants.

Regular admission fees apply: \$5/adult, \$3/child age 3-17. Children 2 and under free.

Don't miss our special Family Farm event on Saturday, February 4. . And during our celebration of farm life, you can visit some animals -- mini cows, sheep, goats, pigs, and rabbits – and explore the familiar crops and chores of the farm. We'll also have farm-related crafts to make and games to play. Stop by our country lemonade stand for something to wet your whistle and some free range popcorn.



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# Maplewood Terrace and Downs Neighborhood Association

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If you have an interest in becoming an Association Board member. Please contact David Kohli, President.

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