Arlington's News & Notes

Water Flush Notice:

THIS IS TO NOTIFY YOU THAT WE WILL BE FLUSHING THE WATER SYSTEM ON TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY APRIL 23,24, & 25, 2024 FROM APPROXIMATELY 8:00 AM TO 4:00 PM.

The purpose of flushing is to remove iron and other deposits from inside of the water pipes. It is normal for the water to become cloudy, and/or rusty during the flushing.

THEREFORE, WE RECOMMEND YOU TO AVOID ACTIVITIES SUCH AS WASHING CLOTHES DURING THIS PERIOD.

You may want to store up a small amount of drinking water until the water clears. If you notice a change in your water quality after we flush, open up all the COLD water taps in your home and let them run until the water runs clear.

Date:

Manager:

Theresa Jones

Phone:

231-773-0843

April 23, 24, & 25, 2024



Speeding:

Residents are responsible for their guests while they are visiting in our community. **The speed limit is 15 mph.** Please speak with all of your guests and be sure they abide by the speed limit and all the posted stop signs at all times while in our communities. We have children playing and adults walking, they should not have to worry about speeding vehicles, reckless driving and people running stop signs. If there are ongoing issues with any guests we may ask you to discontinue visitation with them in our community. 3 warnings within a 12 month period is considered to be habitual and cause for eviction. We ask that you please follow the speed limit.

Spring Inspections:

Spring Inspections may begin the last week of April (weather permitting). We will be inspecting each home site throughout our communities. Here are a few things we will be checking for:

- Toys, trash, misc. items left out
- Home needs washing, painting or repair
- Condition of doors, windows, decks, porches, skirting and shed
- Lawn needs to be raked, mowed, watered & is neat in appearance



Be sure to have your home and yard in excellent shape!



Irrigation:

Cross Connection Control Program

Arlington Woods is committed to protecting our drinking water system from contamination. One of the ways that contamination can get into the water system is through a cross connection. A cross connection can be an actual or potential connection between a drinking water supply and a source of contamination.



How can a cross connection occur?

For example, suppose you are filing a pool with a garden hose, and the hose is submerged in the pool. If there were to be a water line break down the street causing a loss in pressure, the contents of the pool could be 'vacuumed' back into the water supply. This is an example of **backsiphonage**.

How can these be prevented?

Cross connections are prevented through either a physical separation or use of a backflow preventer. Physical separation means that there is a gap of air between the source of contamination and the water supply. In the swimming pool example, simply moving the hose so that it fills the pool from above the water line would prevent a backflow event.

A backflow preventer could be used to ensure that a cross connection does not occur. This mechanical device, if properly installed and maintained, is designed to prevent contaminated water from entering the drinking water supply. There are many different types of backflow devices that can have different applications depending on the situation.

What are the requirements for testing backflow devices?

All testable backflow devices must be tested at set frequencies by a state certified tester, notifications will be sent when the device tests are due. A tester must submit device test data to the office.

How is it regulated?

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) requires water utilities to have a cross connection control program. This is defined in Section 325.1014 of the State of Michigan Safe Water Drinking Act 399 of 1976. Additionally, the EGLE has published a Cross Connection Rules Manual which more fully explains Cross Connection Control Programs. The Michigan Plumbing Code also has requirements regarding preventing cross connections.

Arlington Woods has had a EGLE approved cross connection program since 2015. This program is responsible for identifying and eliminating cross connections within our water system. To accomplish this, staff inspects irrigation systems and require testing of backflow preventers every 5 years.

Who are the Certified Testers?

All testers must be certified by the Michigan Plumbing and Mechanical Contractors Association and by January 2018 all backflow device testers must hold ASSE 5110 certification to test devices in Michigan. Please call Theresa Jones at 231.773.0843 with any questions.

Residential Cross Connection Control Program

Residents who have a lawn irrigation system will be required to have their lawn irrigation backflow device tested.

The updated EGLE Safe Drinking Water Rules now require that all lawn irrigation backflow devices installed on the potable water system be tested at a minimum of every five years. This is to insure that the device is working correctly to protect the water distribution system from contaminates in the event that a backflow incident may occur.

A Pressure Vacuum Breaker similar to the one shown here is the most common type of residential backflow device on a lawn sprinkling system.



Irrigation:

As a homeowner, what is my responsibility?

The most common type of homeowner cross connections are underground sprinkler systems or unprotected hoses. It is the homeowners responsibility to install an HBVB back flow preventer on their exterior hose spigot.

Exterior faucets on homes have a higher probability of a cross connection due to the application of a hose. Hoses are used for a variety of reasons and can be connected to containers used for herbicides, pesticides, detergents, and other hazards. There are two devices available for use to protect the health of our community and preventing cross connections from occurring. Both devices consist of a spring loaded check valve that is normally in the closed position, and a vent, that is normally in the open position. When the device is pressurized, the check valve will open and the vent will close, allowing water to flow through the device. Under a backsiphonage condition, the check valve will close and the vent will open, allowing air into the system to prevent backsiphonage. These products can be purchased at your local hardware store. Arlington Woods cross connection program will soon require the installation of backflow devices on exterior faucets.

Hose Bib Backflow Devices

A hose bib vacuum breaker (HBVB) is a type of backflow preventer that is a cheap and easy way to prevent backflow of water through an exterior hose. Special frost-free HBVBs are available for exterior applications.

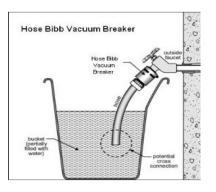


Examples of cross connections:

- Hoses submerged in dirty buckets
- Lawn irrigation systems
- Water softeners
- Outside faucets

Our Program

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) has been and will continue enforcing the inspection and testing of all lawn irrigation backflow devices installed at homes in Arlington Woods. These devices must be tested by an ASSE Certified Tester every five years to verify that they are working properly.



As part of this program a State Certified Tester will be required to perform the test(s) on your device(s). Each homeowner having a testable device will receive a letter when the test is due along with a list of Certified Testers.

The testing requirement will remain active until the homeowner decides to remove the lawn irrigation system from the water supply. A homeowner has the right to opt out of the program by disconnecting the irrigation system from the water source by means of cutting and capping the waterline suppling the irrigation system. The homeowner will remain a part of the inspection process to be re-inspected in 5 years with or without any lawn irrigation system that requires testing.







Golf Carts:

Over the past several years, golf carts have been permitted to be driven in the community. In recent months it seems the amount of golf carts in the community has increased. Therefore we thought this would be a good time to remind everyone of the rules regarding golf carts:

- 1. Golf Carts may be operated on the community streets.
- 2. They must be driven by licensed adults.
- 3. Golf Carts cannot be driven to become an annoyance to other residents and cannot disturb the quiet enjoyment of his or her own home.
- 4. Golf Carts operated upon the streets shall abide by all laws and rules of the road applicable to motor vehicle traveling on the community streets.
- 5. The number of passengers shall be limited to the designed seating capacity of the golf cart.
- 6. No loud or bypassed mufflers are permitted.

We appreciate your cooperation by abiding by all the required regulations to continue golf carts being used in the community.

Recreational Motorized Toys:

Gas and/or battery scooters, RC cars and similar toys, recreational, adult or child toys are not permitted to be used, driven, played with on community streets or sidewalks, play grounds, common areas or any other area in the community other than your own lot, motorcycles must be driven in and out of the community respectfully and quietly, golf carts have to be driven by licensed adult. And all of the listed or any other issue pet, child, muffler, music etc, cannot be loud or of any kind of a disturbance to your neighbors right to the quiet enjoyment of their home.



East Community Resident/Guests:

Street parking in the East Community is prohibited at all times. Each homesite has ample parking on the off street parking pad for 2 vehicles. If you have more vehicles than parking space, you must use the visitor parking areas located throughout the east community. Parking on the grass in any of our communities is also not permitted. We will tag any vehicle parked in the street or on the grass ONE TIME, if the problem continues we will contact the tow company to remove the vehicle.

Animal Reminders:

No resident shall have more than one animal at any time, either one dog or one cat, and an animal interview must be completed with the office.

Visiting animals are included in the one animal per household policy.

You must clean up your animals' feces each time it goes to the bathroom and your animal can not use other neighboring properties as a bathroom.



Automatic Withdrawal:

We can set up automatic withdrawals from your checking/savings account to pay your monthly lot rent without any worries. We are able to extend that same offer for your home payments as well. In short, you will be able to have all of your monthly payments deducted straight from your checking or savings and paid straight to us with no late fees or worries!

Be sure to grab a sign up form from the office if you're interested.

You also have the option to set up automatic withdrawal through our Tenant Web Access.



Susan Chorny 4/1 Charles Hill 4/2 Craig Vandenbosch 4/2 Kaitlynn Brummond 4/3 Alexandria Elwell 4/3 Macevn Gee 4/3Colleen Macy 4/3 Vanda Schneider 4/3 Makaila Smith 4/3 Phenix Wyant 4/3 **Briar Manley** 4/4Agapito Suarez 4/4 Ronald Zoulek 4/4 Jeremy Sandford 4/5 Kris West 4/5Sarah Hibbs 4/6Karen Johnston 4/6 Jorgan Norwick 4/6 Cynthia Bellefeuil 4/7 Sarah Ebidon 4/7Gina Edwards 4/7 Zarek Graham 4/7 Kimber Larabee 4/7 Lori Lathrop 4/7 Sheila Obrien 4/7Robert Stewart 4/7 Ramona Yell 4/7 Michelle Armstrong 4/8 **TJ** Goodman 4/8Joanna Graftema 4/8

David Gutierrez III 4/8

Birthdays:

HAPPY BIRTHD

Larry Hause 4/8Richele Marion 4/8 Micah Hibbs 4/9Amaris Lopez 4/9 James Clark 4/11 Robert Denhof 4/11 Talmage Parker 4/11 Jerrett Phelps 4/11 **David Price** 4/11 Jennifer Johnson 4/12 Bradley Long 4/12Gavin Long 4/12David Padecky 4/12 Debora Juergens 4/13 Misty Shullenberger 4/13 Donald Wagner 4/13 Kacey Wallace 4/13 Beth Budde 4/14Kylie Joslin 4/14Andrea Mendez 4/14 Mercedes Follett 4/15 Karson Cripe 4/16 Faith Hardenburgh 4/16 Jody Hoppus 4/16 Elida Villareal 4/16 Lyle Updyke 4/17 Jaimi Loomis 4/18Craig Plantenga 4/18 Scott Reed 4/18 **Robert Ring** 4/18 Laura Spier 4/18

Gina Torres 4/18Jimmy Chronister 4/19 **Carter Jones** 4/19David Ahlstrom 4/20 Larry Anderson 4/20 Teresita Langub4/20 Andrea Lindsey 4/20 Mikael Wheeler 4/21 Brooke Burns 4/22 Jessica Dusette 4/22 **Jacob** Cripe 4/23Aiden Gooden 4/23 Brian Sweet 4/23Austin Fouty 4/24Lawrence Gunn 4/24 Joseph Dausman 4/25 Tammi Punches 4/25 Zach Bentley 4/26 Montana Burns 4/26 Irene Dempsey 4/26 Elizabeth Bluhm 4/27 Chloe Bullard 4/27 Gracie Bullard 4/27 Daxxon Hekkema 4/27 Frank Pieczynski 4/27 Zephyr Thompson 4/27 Maria McClain 4/29 Brenda Derby 4/30 Kandi Lake 4/30 George Putney 4/30 James Wagner 4/30

New Residents:

David Price to 3930 Karsen.

William Norris and Bethany Sprinkle to 3958 Karsen.

Heather Bankert, Krista Learn and child Rylee to 3875 Bobby Lane.

Colleen Mitchell, Dakota Mitchell and children Reagan, Ruger and Remington to 3916 Malibu.





Black Ants:



How to Get Rid of Ants in Trees

Tiny, black, beaded pests are invading the trees in your yard and you have no clue how to get rid of them. It might seem like a huge problem, but with a little help from this article, you can overcome the ant infestation and clear your yard up in no time. Below are some suggestions to assist you.

- Find ant hills or homes near or in the tree. After you find the place where the little creatures dwell, pour about 2 gallons of boiling water on their home. This will kill the ants inside and also wash away the hill.
- Mix a 50/50 solution of baking soda and icing sugar. Disperse the solution around the tree. The ants will be attracted to the sweetness, but once the eat it, it will expand in their bodies and cause them to explode.
- You can purchase insecticides at any local department store and follow the directions.
- Sprinkle chalk around the tree. Ants will not get near chalk. You can put a line of chalk around the base of the tree and they will not cross it. You can also purchase ant chalk, which has insecticides in it for added protection.
- Use Tanglefoot products around the base of the tree. Tanglefoot has been around since 1885 and offers great products to get rid of pests. One of these is a sticky band that traps the ants at the base of the tree and prevents them from doing any further damage to the tree.

Anniversaries:

Mr. & Mrs. Talmage Parker 4/1 Mr. & Mrs. John Dill 4/3 Mr. & Mrs. Jeremy Johnson 4/13 Mr. & Mrs. Armand Loomis 4/18 Mr. & Mrs. Eric Ulvund 4/18 Mr. & Mrs. Irvin Johnson 4/26 Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Popps 4/28 Mr. & Mrs. Chuch Carlisle 4/29 Mr. & Mrs. Hank Jones 4/30

Sympathies:

To Kimber Larabee and family/ friends on the loss of Kimber's mother and longtime resident Ms. Deb Larabee.



Get Well:

Daxxon Hekkema Britney Bishop Tom Munafo Don Hough Tina Valez Vonda Ritz

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ARLINGTON WOODS DOES NOT ENSURE ANY PERSON OR COMPANY LISTED HAS A LICENSE AND OR INSURANCE.

YARD CARE:

High Pressure Power Washing: Call: 231-206-8861.

Mr. Powerwash: Get your home washed now. Over 20 years experience. Call for a free estimate 231-773-5093.

Leaf Pick up: Call Delbert King at 231-747-4926.

Local (In Park) Lawncare/Powerwashing. Call 231-798-5589.

Grassclippings Lawn Care: Call Kevin at 231-571-6641.

YARD CLEAN UP, LAWN MOWING, LEAF PICKUP AND GENERAL YARD CARE: TIM WEISS 231-288-7793.

Yard Care: Mowing: \$15, Watering & other care message me. Maceyn Gee 231-830-5734.

DeWolfe Lawn Care LLC: Family owned, licensed & insured. Free estimates. Mowing, edging, trimming call 231-288-4743.

TopTier Lawncare: Chris 231-340-6939.

Grind to Shine Powerwashing: Look us up on facebook.

Ulnar Lawn Care: Veteran Owned & Operated. Jeff Foster (owner)

Classifieds:

231-719-5150. Visit our website: <u>ulnar.org</u>

Jessica Heney: 810-858-1151, heney500@gmail.com for yard work, power washing & odd jobs.

SERVICE AND REPAIR:

Ms. Courtney's Daycare: Summer only. Licensed, First Aid & CPR Certified. \$3.80 hourly charge, accepts DHHS payments. Ages 0-13 years, weekdays 7:30am - 4:30pm. Call 231-375-7736 for more info.

Handyman service local in Muskegon no job too big or too small. Winterizing, water boxes and heat tape installation, drywall repairs, painting, finish carpentry, windows, doors, decks & deck repair, kitchen and bathroom remodeling, flooring, etc. call Greg at 616 335-1557 for all your handyman needs.

Manufactured Home Lending: Orbis Funding. Email: info@orbisfunding.com or go to their website at: orbisfunding.com.

Plumber: Small jobs. Call Tom 231-215-5216.

Is there anyone in the park that builds ramps or anyone that knows of people that could build a small ramp on our home here in the park. Call Tim 231 343 7460 afternoons only.

Standard Point Services: Plumbing, heating, cooling, handyman, installs, roofing, decks, power washing, remodels, windows, electrical, welding. Call 616-414-0403. See our website: standardpointcs.com

Kids Clothing Closet at Connection Point Church 2270 S Mill Iron Road Muskegon, Mi 49442 (Corner of Mill Iron and Evanston). Contacts: Marla Punches 231.286.8030 or Krista Panozzo 231.903.7065. Do you know a child or teen who needs clothes or shoes? Connection Point Church is starting a KIDS CLOTHING CLOSET. Sizes are infant to adult small (for the teens). There is never a charge and no questions will ever be asked. Please call Marla or Krista to set up a time to shop. Donations of gently used or new items (Only NEW underwear and socks still in original packaging) will be accepted every Sunday between 8:30 - 11:30 am or by prior appointment.

Having issues with your roof? Need a complete new install or maybe just a repair? Wait no longer, give us a call & set up a free estimate now. Call Blair Depung at 231-766-1686 we have liability insurance.

Cowboy Jim's Live Country Music: Wednesdays Noon to 3pm. \$4 person, no fee to performing musicians. Friday Night Auction starts at 7pm - no outside food or beverages permitted. Refreshments available on site. 1156 E. Broadway.

Shoreline Roofing & Construction: Phone - 231-894-0607/ Website shorelineroofingLLC.com. Licensed & Insured.

Greenix Pest Control: Call 616-286-8382.

Family Fence Factory: For all of your deck, steps, handicap ramps and shed needs! Local & located at 1360 E Laketon Ave. Website: familyfencefactory.com.

Email: sales@familyfencefactory.com. Call: 231-865-7711.

ENK TRANSPORTING: SHED & STRUCTURE MOVERS. Minimum charge for any size move is \$340. Call Owner/Operator Ezra Kasza at 231-923-6670 for additional pricing. All invoices are calculated by time and material.

There is an organization called Christmas Behind Bars. They minister to people in prison by visiting and passing out packets of literature to brighten their day. They take in and distribute Bibles and cards as well. They want each card to be homemade with no name as to who made it. Anyone with an interest in helping with these projects may call Noah at 231.821.9025 or Andy at 231.821.0771. They will be glad to provide you with information.

House Cleaning with current residential cleaning experience. Dependable professional non-smoker that lives in EAST Arlington Woods. Call Diane at 231-670-0613.

Battle Bugs Pest Control of West Michigan: Bee's, Cockroaches, Rats/ Mice, Bed Bugs, Spiders/Ants, Mosquitoes, Moles. 15 years experience, Licensed & Insured. Call 616-606-5405 or Email battlebugs21@gmail.com.

Todd Mines-Anchor Insurance Agency for your mobile home. Call today for affordable rates at 231-726-5081.

Appraisals for your manufactured home: Call Data Comp at 616-574-0470.

Classifieds:

Affordable Chimney Services: For all your chimney services and repairs, call 231-928-1229.

Wilson's Supplies & Mobile Home Parts: For all your mobile home needs. Located in Howard City. Call us at 231-937-6556.

Scrapper Services: Call Dover at 231-578-1807.

Dave's scrapping (hauling & cleanup too). Painting, small repairs, etc. Call 231-457-7113.

Smith & Son Building & Remodeling Inc. for all your home repairs. We are insurance claim specialists and we are accredited with the BBB. Give us a call for a free estimate at 231-773-2118.

Catholic Charities of West Michigan provides a service called Healthy Families. Anyone who is pregnant or has a child 3 months old or younger is eligible. Call 231-726-1236 for more info or go to ccwestmi.org.

G & W REFRIGERATION & HEATING, INC. HVACR Contractors. Air conditioning & Heating repairs, tune ups, new installations. FREE estimates on installations. Financing available to qualified buyers. G & W Air Conditioning and Heating: We are here For You! 24 Hour Emergency Service Available. Call 231-773-7575.

The Painter Sisters: Great work, great pricing and insured. 6 years of professional cleaning & painting services for residential & commercial. 231-670-0444 Kim Bitson or 231-747-6789 Rita Harpe.

Hi, my name is Jim Weathers. Do you need help budgeting your finances or preparing tax returns? I can help! I have over 20 years of experience. I'm friendly, flexible and affordable. Please give me a call at 231-638-2084 or email me at ACEAS4U@aol.com. MORSE CONSTRUCTION Call Rod Morse at 616-862-5714. From roof overs to floor installation and everything in between.

AMERICAN MECHANICAL SERVICE OF WEST MICHIGAN HEATING & COOLING SERVICE Installation & Sales, mention you seen this ad and receive 10% off on your next service call! Call Shane Sutton at (231) 788-5200.

Lee's Window Cleaning-Commercial & Residential with 10 years experience. Thomas Lewis: email

lewisthomas8000@gmail.com or call 231-740-0870.

We can write home insurance for any age of manufactured homes for very reasonable rates. Call ALLSTATE at 799-2222.

ITEMS FOR SALE:

Large Arts & Crafts Collection \$50. Call 231-767-5270.

Elvis 50 years/50 hits CD \$8. 37 old record albums \$10. Call 231-767-5270.

New DC 12 volt portable Air Compressor \$10. Call 231-767-5270.

2007 Softail Standard: Many extras, bumped up to 103", strong runner. \$5000 call 231-260-8715 Jerry B.

For sale: One pair of cowboy boots size 10 E. \$75 like brand new. Call Fred or Linda at 231-724-0390 or 231-288-2177. 3909 Malibu.

For Sale: One Fedora Hat size medium. \$75. Call Fred or Linda at 231-7240 or 231-288-2177. 3909 Malibu.

If you would like to place your ad or have an ad to remove in the newsletter, please contact the office at 773-0843 or email Arlington.estates@comcast.net before the 15th of the month.

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Open Weekdays 7:30 am – 4:30 pm Located at 3775 American Ave, Muskegon, MI (Arlington Woods Mobile Home Community in the South Entrance)

Contact Ms. Courtney Berson-Tice at

231.375.7736 for more information!

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Homes For Sale:

Arlington Woods will pay up to \$7,000.00 for a single wide home and up to \$9,000.00 for a double wide to move your home to our community! We currently have a few vacant lots to choose from. Once you are approved it's as simple as picking your own lot, paying a \$300.00 security deposit, get a FREE estimate from the mover and schedule your home to be moved to our community! Your lot rent would not start until the Certificate of Occupancy is issued from the Muskegon Township.

RESTORE PROPERTIES HAS HOMES FOR SALE...READY TO MOVE IN, DOWN PAYMENT with MONTHLY PAYMENT OPTIONS! Once you're park qualified, contact Josh Springstead at 231-730-2396 to see which homes are available for immediate occupancy. Must be approved for residency.

EAST COMMUNITY: 3977 PALM HARBOR

\$ 149,900.00 for this 1997 Hart 3 bedroom, 2 bath double-wide home is located in our East Community and overlooks Black Creek. The home has a 3 season room, huge kitchen with center island, 2 living rooms, formal dining room, attached heated garage, irrigation, central air & newer furnace. Appliances include a stove, fridge, dishwasher & microwave.

Contact Realtor Kim Colegrove for more details at 231-578-2465.

Must be approved for residency.

ARLINGTON WOODS 3785 EVANSTON AVE MUSKEGON, MI 49442

CONTACT US: PHONE: 231-773-0843 LINE 2: 231-777-2504 FAX: 231-773-7250 WEBSITE: arlingtonwoods.us EMAIL: arlington.estates@comcast.net

