



**ARROWHEAD HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

SPRING 2023 NEWSLETTER

Greetings from the Arrowhead Board of Directors. We are looking forward to an early spring and a mild summer.



Homeowners' Association Monthly Meetings

The Homeowners' Association holds monthly meetings on the fourth Wednesday of the month starting at 6:30 p.m. During 2022 and the beginning of 2023 the Board has been meeting at Board member's houses because of low attendance and to save the cost of renting a meeting room.

The annual meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 26th at 7:00 p.m. at the Upper Dublin Library at 520 Virginia Drive, Fort Washington, Pa 19034. We encourage you to attend meetings, especially the annual meeting. If you desire to attend a meeting, contact our property manager, Wendy King, at w.king@cpm975.com.

Some of the items that will be discussed at the annual meeting are the following:



1. Commercial vehicles with company markings.

If a commercial vehicle is used on a daily basis by a resident of the community should the resident be permitted to park the vehicle in his/her assigned parking spot?



2. Solar Panels on Roofs.

Should solar panels be permitted to be installed on the roofs of houses in the community?

3. Increase in Annual Assessment.

Currently the assessment is \$415.00 per quarter or \$1660.00 per year. Compared to similar surrounding communities it is low. Costs for services and supplies have risen significantly in the past two years. During much of 2022 the cost of living increased to 8%. To cover community expenses the Board of Directors is considering requesting a reasonable increase in the assessment.



TRASH AND RECYCLING CONTAINERS

The community looks better when trash and recycle containers are in their proper storage location, not on the streets. Place them at the curb the night before and return them by Monday evening or early Tuesday morning.



Yard Waste

Yard waste collection is each Thursday beginning on March 9th and ends on November 30th. There is no collection Thanksgiving week (Thursday 11/23). Waste must be in a container (not a trash or recycling one) or yard waste paper bags. Place containers and bags in the normal trash and recycling container location the night before collection day and return containers by Thursday evening or early Friday morning.



Bulk Trash Pick Ups

The township will pick up large trash items for a small fee. Call 215-643-1600 to schedule a pick up. The bulk trash pick-up day is Wednesday.



Vehicle Parking

The Board of Directors receives, on a regular basis, complaints from residents regarding inappropriate parking. The Rules and Regulations require that residents park in their assigned two parking spots and if there are more than two residents in a house with vehicles or visitors that they park in the visitor parking spots.

Parking on streets is not permitted as it blocks other vehicles, especially emergency and service vehicles.



Lawn Care

An American dream is a lush, green lawn. But healthy lawns take work. Here are some tips for a green lawn.

1. Cutting. Cut the grass each one to two weeks depending on the amount of rain fall. Cut it less, or not at all, during hot spells. Cut the grass to a height of 2-1/2 to 3 inches.
2. Watering. Healthy grass is hardy, but a prolonged hot spell can kill grass. If grass is starting to turn brown, watering it is in order. Water each area for about 10 to 15 minutes so the water can penetrate down about 3 inches to nourish all of the roots.
3. Fertilizer. Most lawn care guides recommend fertilizing 3-times per year to restore nutrients. Spring (mid-April), summer (July) and fall (mid-October). Regarding how much to apply, follow the instructions on the package. More is not better, over fertilizing can damage a lawn. Apply the fertilize with a lawn spreader, wheeled or hand-held (battery-powered or hand-crank type). Hand-held spreaders are inexpensive and work well for the

size lawns in Arrowhead. To enable the fertilizer to dissolve into the soil, water the grass after applying the fertilizer or apply it just before or after rain.

- 4. Weeds and Bugs. Weeds are an on-going problem for lawns. Remove them as soon as you see them to stay ahead of the problem. Pulling them is best for the environment. Regarding bugs, grub worms are a common problem in Arrowhead. They are small insects that live in the soil and eat the roots of grass. Tell-tale signs of grub worms are brown spots in the lawn. Home improvement stores sell products to kill grub worms. After killing the grub worms, replanting grass seed or sod may be necessary.



Patches of brown grass



Grub worm in soil

- 5. Dead Spots in the Lawn. Repair damaged lawn areas with seed or sod, either will work. Before applying either, loosen the existing soil or add new soil, about two inches, to enable seed to germinate into the soil. Watering new grass seed or sod is critical. Water each area about 3 minutes every day for at least 3 weeks.



HOUSE EXTERIOR OR LOT WORK

Most work to the exterior of your house or lot requires approval from the Board of Directors. Application forms are on the website (arrowheadambler.org) and the turnaround time for a reply is usually less than one week. Check the Rules and Regulations (copy on website) for what requires approval.



Pond

The pond is for viewing enjoyment only. Fishing and swimming are not permitted. Walking within the fenced area or climbing on the fence or spillway shed roof are not permitted for safety reasons. There is a picnic bench by the Cherokee Circle for eating and viewing the pond.



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Upper Dublin Township Services

Phone Numbers:
Emergencies - 911

- Township Offices – 215-643-1600
- Police Department (non-emergency) 215-646-2101
- Fire Company (non-emergency) – 215-646-2555
- Fire Marshal – 215-643-1600, Ext: 3923
- Public Works – 215- 643-1600 Ext: 3810
- Library – 215-628-8744

In addition to the above services the township provides many other services and activities for residents, such as:

- Parks with picnic areas, playgrounds and walking, hiking and jogging trails.
- Dog parks
- Bus trips to New York City and Washington D.C.
- Discount tickets to movies theaters (AMC & Regal), ski areas and the Philadelphia Flower Show
- Activities for child, youth and adults.

Visit the township website for more details - upperdublin.net.



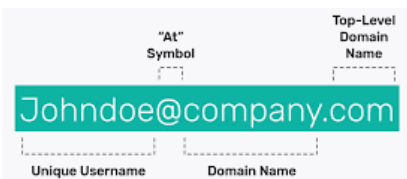
Fire Protection

Fire protection for our community is provided by two fire companies staffed by volunteer men and women. Donations can be sent to the Fort Washington Fire Company, 1245 Fort Washington Avenue. Fort Washington, Pa 19034.



Dog Waste Stations

Thank you to those dog owners who have been volunteering to help maintain our 2 dog waste stations. We have moved to a system where dog owners are independently emptying the trash receptacles on Wednesdays and Sundays. Trash liners are provided in the center slot of the bag dispenser. If you are a dog owner using the waste stations and you are not already chipping in, kindly help occasionally by emptying the receptacle. Woof!



Notifying Residents of Emergencies and Urgent Matters Email Address Collection

The Homeowners' Association is collecting the email address of residents to notify them in case of an urgent matter or event, such as a weather emergency or problem in the community. If you have not done so, email yours to our property manager, Wendy King, at w.king@cpm975.com.



Items for the Arrowhead Newsletter

If you have an item of interest that you feel would be worthwhile for the community, send it to our property manager Wendy King at w.king@cpm975.com. The Board of Directors will review it for the fall newsletter.

