HPEHOA Summer 2019

# HIGH POINT ESTATES

#### **Beautiful Yard Awards**

Congratulations to the homes who have won Beautiful Yard Awards so far in 2019!

- Bob and Jennifer Winding 2 Chequamegon Bay
- Amit and Parul Trivedi 713 Ondossagon Way
- Tom and Pam Horky 710 Ondossagon Way
- Bill and Paula Berg 50 Elver Court
- Ryan Reiter & Gretchen Diem 7625 Welton Drive
- Brad and Geralyn Murphy 614 Ondossagon Way

Do you have a neighbor deserving of this award? Please consider nominating a homeowner who goes above and beyond and deserves to be recognized for their efforts.

#### **Nomination process:**

The nomination process is very easy. Simply send an email to <a href="mailto:info@hpehoa.com">info@hpehoa.com</a> with the home's address and a short description of why you feel they are worthy of the Beautiful Yard Award. The Landscape Committee will do a walk-by of the nominated homes and select the award recipients. The HOA will also check with the homeowner before placing any signs and will not enter any property without permission!



#### **Landscape Maintenance Tips**

Fall is rapidly approaching and that is an important growing season for your grass. Many weeds tend to die out in the Fall, but your grass loves the warms days and cool nights and can thicken and grow in very lushly with a little help. Consider an application of basic fertilizer without weed killer or any other additives in early September and your lawn will reward you with a beautiful expanse of green all Fall. This Fall feeding will also prepare the grass for winter by establishing a strong root system. This is particularly important for any new grass installed this summer – like the new grass the City sidewalk contractor or AT&T contractor put in as remediation for their work area.

Later Fall is also an excellent time to do any pruning of trees or shrubs as they will have stopped growing and will tolerate pruning better. Please pay particular attention to any terrace trees or yard trees that have limbs growing into the sidewalk space or limbs that might eventually grow into sidewalk space. Pruning small limbs early is far better than larger limbs later. Try to prune "low flying" limbs early so they can never grow into the sidewalk space.

The City is technically responsible for the terrace trees, but they prune a neighborhood only once every 17 years and a great deal of growth can happen in that timeframe. I would not prune any large limbs on a terrace tree, but small limbs that are just starting and could eventually grow into the sidewalk space are fair game. Please help the City and our neighborhood keep our sidewalks clear for children, walkers, runners and cyclists.

A special note for those of you with the continuous border fences (such as the fence on High Point Road or Gammon Road) that were installed by the developer. The HOA has gotten several inquiries as to who is responsible for maintaining those fences (homeowner or HOA). The HOA researched this issue and there is no easement on your property for the fence which there would have to be for the HOA to maintain it. The developer intended for the fence to belong to the homeowner and it is therefore the homeowner's responsibility to maintain it.

Lastly, please congratulate your neighbors who have won the HOA Beautiful Yard Award this year. These neighbors are doing a wonderful job not only of maintaining their own yard, but of adding value to the entire neighborhood. Great job folks and many thanks for your hard work!

# **AT&T/Sidewalks/Tree Stumps**

AT&T has completed their work in the neighborhood. Any disruption to your property should have been repaired. If you find any issues or that the work on your home was missed, please reach out to AT&T.

It also appears the City of Madison has completed most of the lawn repair from the sidewalk work. Unfortunately, if the work is not up to your standards you may need to do a bit of work on the damaged lawn areas yourself.

If you had a tree cut down on your terrace over the last year, you should have received a note on your door about stump removal and replacement. The notes indicate the work will begin the Spring of 2020.

### What to do with Yard Waste?

Did you know there are several yard waste drop-off locations where you can bring your yard waste for free? Here are some quick resources you may find helpful:

- Want to drop off the items you have bagged or tossed in the back of your truck? Visit this link for more information: <a href="https://www.cityofmadison.com/streets/yardWaste/dropoffsites.cfm">https://www.cityofmadison.com/streets/yardWaste/dropoffsites.cfm</a>
- Remember to always rake your yard waste onto the terrace of your curb. Never rake waste into the street!
- The schedule for pick-up for Spring yard waste is over! Pick-up will begin again in fall. Here is a link for the schedule:

https://www.cityofmadison.com/streets/yardWaste/leaf/

## **Looking for Halloween Party Host**

The social committee is looking for a homeowner willing to lend their garage for a few hours for this years Halloween party. If you can help, please email <a href="mailto:info@hpehoa.com">info@hpehoa.com</a>



# **Entrance & Median Landscaping**

Thank you to the landscape committee for your tireless work with Glacier Landscaping to continually improve and maintain the entrances to HPE!





