

ACACIA TIMES

Monthly Newsletter of The Acacia Association

August 2021

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GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Events:

Saturday, August 14th – Movie in Blackhawk Park – 7:00 picnic, 8:15 movie – The Parent Trap

Monday, August 16th – Shortened pool hours begin (see information under Recreation in minutes)

Friday, August 27th – Versiti Blood Donation – 4:00 – 7:00 in the Great Room at the Clubhouse

Sunday, August 29th – Kona Ice – 1:00 - 2:30

Monday, September 6th – Last day for the pool

Reminder:

The crew will continue to trim and weed the grounds. They will trim all bushes but only weed common grounds. They WILL NOT weed private property – which is from the light pole to your house in front, and the area from the end of the privacy wall to your house in back – this is homeowner responsibility.

Acacia Office Hours:

Monday-Friday 8:30-11:45, 12:15-3:30

ALCC forms and Service Request forms are available on the Acacia website.

Next Acacia Board Meeting is Tuesday, **September 14, 2021** at 7pm at the clubhouse.

**The Acacia Association Board of Directors Meeting
August 10, 2021**

The Board of Directors meeting of Tuesday, August 10, 2021 was brought to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Eckert.

Directors in attendance were: Pres. Eckert, V.P. Kalinoski, Polacek, Boyd, Consolo, Kwiatek, McMillin and Voyles.

Approval of Minutes of the July 13, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting. Polacek, Kalinoski. 8/0/0 Motion passed.

Homeowners' comments/questions: A resident asked why we don't have garbage totes. It was explained by the board that there was a vote over a year ago and residents voted against totes. The feedback we received was that many residents did not have room in their garage for them and some residents were concerned with being able to handle the totes.

Treasurer's Report: John Polacek: For August 2021, the Acacia Association Treasurer's Report shows:

Assessment Collection	\$89,595		
Other Sources	\$ 1,485	Total Collection	\$ 91,080
Total Expenses			\$129,285
Net Ordinary Income			\$ (38,205)
Capital Reserve Transfer			\$ 6,000
Capitol Reserve Expenditures			\$ 5,890
Net Income			\$(50,0850)

We are now spending some of our Operating Reserves to balance the expenditures. This is normal every year.

As of July 31, 2021, the Accounts Receivable stands at \$6,030.

12 of 387 members have Past Due Accounts. We continue to do all the law allows to collect the outstanding balances. The previous month, 6 members had late payment fees and/or interest applied.

As of July 31, 2021, 238 members use the ACH, automatic bank withdrawal. ACH insures no late payment fee and no interest charge. ACH also saves the office time and money. Please consider this. 61% of Acacia Homeowners use it. Join the crowd! There really are no dangers. Acacia withdraws only the Assessment on the 20th of the month. If there are other charges, you receive a separate statement. When members do not pay on time, there is a cost of collection. Therefore, a \$25 fee is charged the first time you are late escalating to \$50 thereafter. Avoid those charges with ACH.

Overall, we are in good financial condition.

We have two funds –	Reserve Fund	\$296,939
	Operating Fund	<u>\$698,991</u>
	Total	\$985,930

I move that we accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Polacek, Boyd 8/0/0 Motion passed.

Other issues: Amy suggested that I form a committee to develop a late payment policy for the members in arrears to sign. We want this done for the September Board Meeting. Joe and Sharon have agreed to join the committee. If someone is interested, we can have another member. Please let me know.

We sent out 5 mailings to CPA/Auditors in July. We have had one response, today. I will review the response and then have a meeting with the respondent, and 2 Board members. Our recommendation will follow.

Clubhouse Director's Report: Peggy Rose Kwiatek: There was a total of 7 clubhouse rentals in July.

According to the new CDC's recommendation, masks will again be worn in the clubhouse at all times.

The Acacia Blood Drive is scheduled for Friday, August 27 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm at the clubhouse. Versiti Blood Center of Illinois will be facilitating this event. Please come out and participate in the blood drive. I once heard on the radio that the one thing people can do to live longer is to give blood. To schedule your appointment, call 1-800-7TO-GIVE, or visit www.versiti.org. Sign up to save lives!

As clubhouse director, I would like to make a change to how party attendants are compensated in the event of a party cancellation. A party attendant must be in attendance at every party and may be scheduled weeks to months before the event. In that case, the party attendant must commit to that date on their schedule and may have to pass up other personal events that may come along. If the party is canceled (sometimes within a week's notice), all monies put down on the party are returned, except for the \$50.00 deposit fee to hold that date. I believe the \$50.00 deposit money should go to the party attendant who committed to work that party. The clubhouse was not used, so no expenses were incurred. I would like to make a motion to accept this change. The board decided to review the clubhouse rental contract and discuss this further.

I would like to put a full-length mirror in the four-season room bathroom. People who use that bathroom from the pool in wet bathing suits should really see themselves before going back out to the pool. There is only a tiny mirror above the sink. The board approved the request.

Recreation Facilities Director's Report: Amy Eckert: FAMILY FUN DAY - The weather cooperated again this year – no thunder or rain until after everyone was able to enjoy the day. There were 118 residents and 55 guests that came out to enjoy the pool, water slide, kids' games, hot dogs, brats, chips, cookies and something to drink.

Thanks to the residents who volunteered: Karen and Gerald S., Susan P., Jennifer C., Erica C., Alice W., Alberta M., Tim R. and Chris P.; Board members: Peggy Rose, Lyn, Diane, Sharon, John, Joe and Amy; our cook Jose and the guards who kept the pool and water slide safe for everyone.

RECREATION - The basketball, tennis and pickle ball courts are almost done. Watch the website for announcement about when they will reopen. We are hoping to have tennis and pickle ball demonstrations – more information will be coming.

The new slide is in place and we have heard great reviews from the kids and parents that use the playground. New baby swing seats were installed and replacements for the other swings have been ordered.

Kona Ice will be in the clubhouse parking lot Sunday, August 29th from 1:00-2:30.

POOL - We will be moving to shorter pool days when the guards go back to school next week. Starting Monday, August 16th the new hours for weekdays will be:

Monday through Thursday 4:00 pm – 6:30 pm.

Fridays 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm.

Weekends and Labor Day will remain the same - 10:00 am – 8:00 pm.

The pool will close for the season on Monday, September 6th.

We will have the pool open from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday (weather permitting). Only residents over the age of 18 will be allowed to use the pool during this time. NO GUESTS ALLOWED.

Grounds Maintenance Director's Report: Joe Consolo: Since the last Board meeting, we completed 20 grounds service requests, one of which was a tree removed at the clubhouse. We continued the grounds trimming cycle.

We oversaw the second application of fertilizer and broadleaf weed killer to the lawn. Work was performed by Tru-Green Lawn Services.

We purchased \$650.50 in gas for the mowers and carts, and we purchased \$191.44 in gas for the truck.

I move that we accept the bid to remove 2 trees on Elmwood Court by Family Tree in the amount of \$895.00. Consolo/ Kalinoski 8/0/0 Motion passed.

Reminder to residents, vegetable gardens are only allowed in the back of your home and on private property.

The crew will continue to trim and weed the grounds. They will trim all bushes but only weed common grounds. They WILL NOT weed private property – which is from the light pole to your house in front, and the area from the end of the privacy wall to your house in back – this is homeowner responsibility.

Berry Landscaping will come out to meet with board members to discuss the different options and cost of mulch and other weeding treatment.

Townhome Maintenance Director's Report: Ben Boyd: Completed 6 townhome service requests.

Completed sealcoating of 112,300 sq. feet of Acacia driveways.

An electronic motion for the approval of Silhouette company to replace 16 driveways in Acacia for a cost of \$33,623.10 – the motion was electronically approved by the board in July.

The 16 driveways have been marked for replacement.

Oversite of the start of the paint cycle.

Painting completed at Elmwood Court – 8 units

Painting completed at Cascade Drive – 12 units

Painting started at 165-163-161 Cascade Drive

Carpenters working on Stonehearth – 5-3-1-167.

Power washing on Stonehearth – 13-11-9-7.

Coping contractor Inside Out has been contacted to schedule coping on 20 painted townhomes. Please take a look at the new paint color on the completed buildings.

Village Relations Director's Report: Sharon Kalinoski: Meeting was in-person: village trustees, employees, and audience present inside village hall without masks. (Covid cases in IHP since early July increased by 16 to 313 according to IL website as of August 8.)

Alternatives for Wolf Road reconstruction should be available this fall, then residents may comment on them. 294 construction will continue for a couple more years.

Long discussion on proposal to add 16 security cameras to record vehicles entering village.

Acacia Drive reconstruction delayed due to need to move over 100 Nicor gas main lines. Village Administrator mentioned that IHP did not budget enough money for restoring landscaping on Acacia Drive after reconstruction, and would need to address the need for more landscaping when project was completed.

The next village board meeting is this Thursday Aug. 12, 7pm at village hall.

Architecture and Landscape Director's Report: Diane Voyles: For the month of July there were 12 requests for new projects, 6 inspections of completed projects and 5 new homeowner inspections completed.

No warning letters were sent.

Reminders were sent for decks that need to be stained in the next weeks. When decks are repaired or new, the homeowner has 1 year to stain their deck. Please stain any or all of your deck within the year to avoid fines.

Welcome Baskets: Peggy Rose Kwiatek: We will be changing the way we distribute welcome baskets in the future. Since we get our information about a new resident from the sale of their house, many times when I call on a new resident, they have not moved in yet. Also, more times than not, we do not get their phone number, so setting up an appointment to deliver their welcome basket is impossible. After discussion with Amy and Kim, we will deliver the rules and guidelines to the new resident's mailbox. Included will be information on receiving a welcome basket by calling me to schedule a delivery.

If you have recently moved to Acacia and have not received a welcome basket, please call Peggy Rose at 708 505-4733.

Office Report: Amy Eckert: As masks are again required when you come into the office, please put it on before you come into the building and make sure it covers your nose and mouth. If you don't have one you can always drop things in the mail slot, call or email the office and get any necessary forms on the Acacia website.

If you have not done so yet please sign up to get information from Acacia via email. This helps us get information out quickly and you can get the newsletter delivered via email. The form is on the Acacia website under Association Forms. We do not share email addresses with anyone

Homeowner Forum: No questions or comments.

New, Ongoing, or Other Business: Amy read a card received from Acacia residents thanking the board and Maintenance for the nice job the sealcoating company did on their driveway. The residents are very happy with the people who did the work and the quality of the work.

Motion to adjourn to Executive Session: Eckert, Kalinoski 8/0/0 Motion passed.

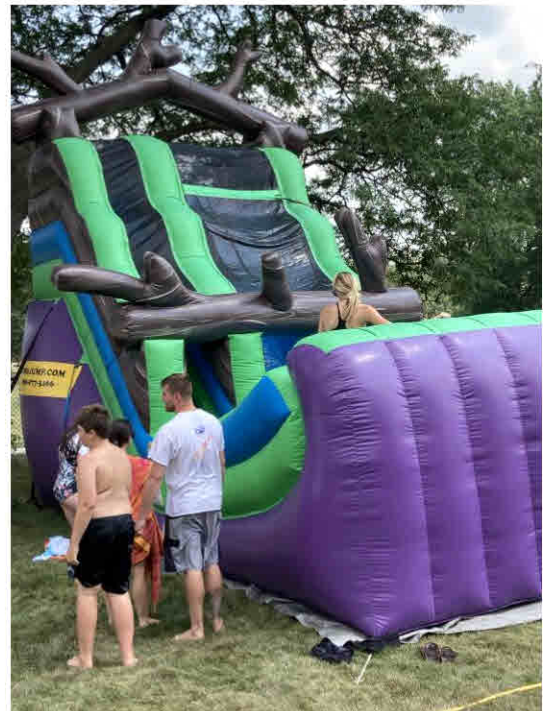
Motion to return to Open Session: Eckert, Boyd 8/0/0 Motion passed.

There is nothing to report from Executive Session.

Motion to close Open Session – Eckert, Polacek 8/0/0 Motion passed.



FAMILY FUN DAY





AND
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AUGUST 14

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the
**PARENT
trap**

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The Village of Indian Head Park and SEASPAR invite you and your family to Blackhawk Park for a night of movie magic under the stars. Guests will enjoy a feature film on a jumbo screen and be treated to snacks and refreshments. Picnic blankets and chairs are recommended.



TREAT YOURSELF!

Guests of Movie at the Park will be treated to grilled hotdogs, fresh popcorn, cotton candy, side dishes, and dessert!

be the
PULSE
of SUMMER
Donate Blood

**Friday
August**

27

4:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Helpful tip:

Make sure to eat a healthy meal and drink plenty of water before donating.

ACACIA COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

The Great Room, LL
111 Cascade Dr, Indian Head Park, IL 60525

To schedule your appointment, call 1-800-7TO-GIVE, visit www.versiti.org or scan the following QR code



Please wait 48 hours after receiving the Covid-19 vaccine to donate blood.

You may also complete the health history questions (day of drive) @www.versiti.org/versipass/illinois

For donor questions,
call 800-7TO-GIVE



KONA ICE TRUCK SHAVED ICE TREATS



SUNDAY August 29th – 1:00 – 2:30 pm

Acacia Clubhouse Parking Lot

Menu Prices:

\$3 Kiddie (9 oz.) cup
\$4 Klassic (12 oz.) cup
\$5 Color Changing (17 oz.) cup, \$3 Refills

Flavors

Tiger's Blood (Strawberry & Coconut)
Lucky Lime
Blue Raspberry
Watermelon Wave
Groovy Grape
Strawberry'd Treasure
Island Rush (Tropical Punch)
Ninja Cherry
Monster Mango
Pina Colada
and more

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Sharon Kalinoski CPA, Broker

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**LaGrange Park 4 BR house w/ 3 full baths + fam room + office + sunroom
3 car garage, beautiful 1/3 acre corner lot. 838 Beach Ave. \$419,900**

**For Rent: Wilshire Green 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo avail. by Nov. 1
Coming soon: Ashley Woods (Westchester) 2 BR townhome for sale**

I have buyers looking for:

**Acacia ranch model (Adams) or Dearborn model townhomes
Wilshire Green condos 2BR or 3BR, Burr Ridge Carriage Way 3 bedroom**

Please call me for a free market analysis if you are thinking of moving.

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Interior
Wood
Grain
Dark
Oak



Interior
Wood
Grain
Light
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Exterior Bronze



Other color combinations
available upon request

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Actual Acacia Project
Photos

