

Twin Lakes NEWS

**FALL
2024
Edition**

ALERT ALERT ALERT — THE NEWSLETTER HAS CHANGED!!!

The Quarterly Newsletter may look smaller but that's because it actually is! Winter is coming and spring will be right around the corner, which means we need to tighten our belts. Costs are continuing to rise and the board is always looking for ways to save residents money. The Newsletter will still continue to provide information for residents on events, news, and issues affecting the neighborhood. We just thought it might be nice for residents to have all advertisers and important contacts/dates on an attached insert, rather than scattered through a newsletter.

We hope you like our updates and have provided a list of major changes below:

TLHA DONATION FORMS (See Page 3)

We combined the three donation forms (Fireworks, Fish, and Playground) into one (1) "**TLHA DONATION FORM (ALL)**" form. The form is the same. However, you have the option now to choose more than one Fund; you can split your donation; or, for our generous residents, you don't have to send in two tickets anymore! Instead, you can check off the funds your donating to and write in the \$ amounts next to each fund on the ticket. You can still remain anonymous, but if you want the world to praise your name this Holiday Season then write in your name — only this time save yourself the carpal tunnel pain and write it *only once* on one ticket! Then send in your *single* ticket with your donations to the TLHA! This reduces the amount of paper we use for the newsletter and saves residents money. It's a win-win scenario!

ATTACHED INSERT

Side One:

- Important Contacts (TLHA, City, Police, Animal Control, Trash/Recycling/Large Items, etc.)
- Reservations for Shelters,
- Twin Lakes Calendar of Events
- Dates for Recycling, Yard Waste/Leaf Pickup, and Branch Pickup

Side Two:

This is a list of our advertisers/supporters. Please give a huge shoutout to these individuals/businesses and please thank them for their support!

Additional information can be located at the following:

TLHA WEBSITE: We provide updated resources on our website, www.tlha.net, including Welcome Packets, Architectural Forms, our Bylaws/Covenants, information on our annual meeting, and more!

FACEBOOK: We continually post information on our Facebook page, *Twin Lakes Homes Association*, including: TLHA Calendar of Events for monthly board meetings, spring garage sale, spring clean-up day, and our fall festival; updates on projects around the neighborhood; resident/volunteer highlights, various requests for members (i.e., missing pets, garage sales, etc.) and more!

If you have questions about the newsletter or would like something added, please contact a board member, or email us at: twin.lakes.home.association@outlook.com.

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- Tore down old and installed new east playground set was completed end of September 2024!
- The south lake bridge has been under construction and almost complete with the north lake bridge expected to go under construction soon.
- Some sidewalks and drains have been updated with more sidewalks/drains under review next year, including a new sidewalk ADA accessible by the park.
- We started a new mowing service with Hartman Lawn and Landscaping beginning March 2024 through November 2025.
- Demolished the old playground set on the south lake. There's still gravel and wood to remove and we may look at adding something in this location in the future.
- Added 300 large-mouth bass to the lakes.
- Started working with the Professional Adjustment Bureau on severely past due accounts.
- We held multiple events this year including our Spring Garage Sale, Spring Clean-Up Day, and our Fall Festival.

We continue looking at options for dredging the lake, and we continue to raise funds for the fireworks display. We hope you will help us by donating and/or volunteering on one of our committees. We're currently looking for residents with knowledge in bylaws/covenants, building, maintenance, gardening, and more. We have a Lake Committee that supports the maintenance of our bridges and lakes, we're establishing a Dog Park Committee, and we are always looking for more gardeners to help around the community garden and front entrances.

There is so much more we are looking forward to accomplishing in 2025!

Email the board to join a committee today!

DOG PARK COMMITTEE **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!**

Do you love dogs? Is your canine companion in need of a large area to run leash free? You're in luck! The board is looking to start a Dog Park Committee, and ***NEEDS YOUR HELP!***

WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

1. Volunteers ready and willing to get the dog park up and running (no paws intended)
2. A volunteer, willing to Lead the Dog Park Committee and able to attend or provide updates to a board member for monthly TLHA board meetings.

If you're interested, please email us:

twin.lakes.home.association@outlook.com

SPRINGFIELD EVENTS

Boondock's

11/23: Ryan Montgomery Whiskey & Smoke 2024 Tour
01/31: Aaron Watson

Edwards Place

11/09: Embroidered "Hand Turkeys"
12/05: Lecture: African American Community in Late 19th-Early 20th Century Springfield
12/07: Holiday Ornament Crafting

Downtown Springfield

11/23: Winter Old Capitol Farmer's Market (Union Station)
12/06: IL Product Holiday Market (Y Block)
12/07: Springfield Jaycees Holiday Lights Parade

UIS Performing Arts Center

11/26: Joe Bonamassa
12/02: Dear Evan Hansen
12/07: The Nutcracker - Copper Coin Ballet Company
12/13: Holiday Pops in the Heartland—IL Symphony Orchestra
12/21: Mannheim Steamroller Christmas by Chip Davis

Illinois State Fairgrounds

11/08-11/09: Hobnob Holiday Market (Expo Bldg)
11/24: Holiday Extravaganza (Orr Bldg)
11/30: IL Local Holiday Market (Expo Bldg)
12/01: First Sunday Midwest Bazaar (Orr Bldg)

BOS Center

11/08: Ansar Shrine Circus
01/15: Harlem Globetrotters

Kidzeum

11/09: World Science Day Celebration

Abraham Lincoln Presidential Museum

11/11: Abe Appreciation: Veterans Day
11/12: Little Lincoln's Fireside Tales: Classics

Hoogland Center for the Arts

12/06-08, 13-15: RENT
12/31: First Night Springfield
01/11: A Journey Through Gospel Music

TLHA DONATION FORM (ALL)

If you would like to contribute to one or more of the following Twin Lakes Homes Association (TLHA) Funds, please check the box next to the fund you would like to contribute to below. If you wish to contribute to more than one fund, please note the total of the donation next to each fund, or the amounts will be split 50/50. Mail your form with donation(s) to:

TLHA
PO Box 8133
Springfield IL 62791-8133

My enclosed donation is (please circle)

\$10.00 \$15.00 \$20.00 \$25.00

\$50.00 \$75.00 \$100.00 Other \$ _____

☐ Fireworks Fund \$ _____

☐ Fish Stocking Fund \$ _____

☐ Playground Fund \$ _____

Name: _____

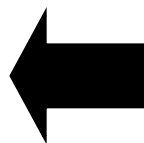
Address: _____

Phone No: _____

Please Mark one: _____ Yes _____ No

Permission is granted to publish my name as a contributor to one or more of the *TLHA Funds* in the next TLHA Quarterly Newsletter.

Check out our new Donation Form!



Now you can submit one form for multiple donations — and don't worry, you can still remain anonymous!

WE'RE DOING
MORE WITH YOUR
SUPPORT

Thank you
..... FOR YOUR
DONATION

Fireworks Fund Donors

Candace Wendt and Sandra Long	\$63
Joshua Risse	\$50
Linda Tice	\$20
Regina Wilson	\$83
Carl and Mary Affrunti	\$33
Anonymous	\$50

Thank You

Fish Stocking Fund Donors

Jack and Ann Stege	\$58
Anonymous	\$50



Playground Fund Donors

Alex and Robert Liberman	\$33
Linda Tice	\$13
Anonymous	\$50



WE'RE ALL RESPONSIBLE FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Please pickup after yourself when on common grounds and along your property (i.e., sidewalks, streets, around mailboxes, etc.). Trash makes it's way into our ditches, dam, lakes, and drains; and every now and then, it can affect the health and safety of our pets and wildlife.

As members, you are responsible for you, your pets, and your guests when utilizing our common grounds. Remember to pick up hooks/lines, cans, trash, etc. Many residents have reported their pets are getting injured on walks from hooks found in the grass and pets off leash are having a negative impact on the wildlife that live around the lake. Thank you!



www.tlha.net



David Barnes

Chris & Melissa Hampson

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Brian Utinske

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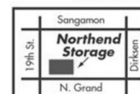
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IMPORTANT CONTACTS & TLHA CALENDAR EVENTS

Miscellaneous Phone Numbers

Animal Control.....	217-535-3065
Springfield Park District.....	217-544-1751
CWLP	
Report power outage.....	217-789-2121
Report water problems.....	217-789-2323
CWLP Non-Emergency.....	217-789-2116
Police Non-Emergency.....	217-788-8311
NPO-Officer Dorsey.....	217-741-0979
Police - Animal Complaints.....	217-788-8314
Public Works.....	217-789-2246
City Waste Management.....	217-789-2327
Republic Services.....	217-522-7797
(dumpsters only)	
Alderman Larry Rockford.....	217-341-1221

Trash/Recycling/Large Item Pickup Important Numbers

Problems with trash cans.....	217-414-1154
Problems with trash pickup.....	217-414-1154
Problems with recycling pickup.....	217-414-1154
Large Item Pickup.....	217-523-2710
Large Dumpster.....	Any of the waste haulers

NEED A GARBAGE CAN / RECYCLING BIN?



CONTACT JOHNNY
Call/text:
217-414-1154

NEED SHELTER RESERVATIONS?



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Call/text: 217-502-4414
Email:
jviele13@gmail.com



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- Landscaping Materials • Household Items •

217.787.7209
2744 S. 6th Street
Springfield

RECYCLING PICKUP

WEEK OF:

NOV	8th, 22nd
DEC	6th, 20th
JAN	3rd, 17th, 31st

HOLIDAYS MIGHT AFFECT PICKUP DATES



2024-2025 TLHA Board Members

Name	Position	Phone
Johnny Thomas	President	217-414-1154
Jeremy Viele	Vice President	217-502-4414
Diana Rees	Treasurer	217-494-2225
Cori Pickett	Secretary	217-414-3001
Aisha Byas	Member	217-725-4410
Chris Daum	Member	269-816-4671
John LoGrasso	Member	217-416-5272
Leticia Pickens	Member	630-306-3995
Brent Ramsey	Member	217-820-3043

Email us at
twin.lakes.home.association@outlook.com
See our website, www.tlha.net, for Welcome Packets,
Architectural forms, and more! Contact a board
member above or find us on Facebook!

TLHA CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Board Meetings (Held 6:30 pm, at King Pin Lanes)

- Thursday, November 14th, 2024
- Thursday, December 12th, 2024
- Thursday, January 9th, 2025

YARD WASTE/LEAF PICKUP

WEEK OF:

NOV	4th, 18th
DEC	2nd, 16th, 30th

Yard waste must be placed
curbside by 6:00 a.m. on the Mon-
day of your pickup week and in the
right location to enhance the safety
of our roadways & to alleviate flooding.

**FALL DATES FOR CITY RESIDENTS TO DROP YARD
WASTE BAGS AT EVANS RECYCLING ENDS SATUR-
DAY, NOVEMBER 30TH.**

Residents can use brown paper yard waste bags or
hard plastic containers for yard waste. If using hard
plastic containers, please ensure the containers are
clearly marked with "YW" or "Yard Waste". **NO Stick-
ers are required.**

If bags/containers were missed, email springfield-yw@lakeareadisposal.com or contact the City's Office
of Public Works at 217.789.2255.

BRANCH PICKUP/DROP-OFF

Evans Recycling— 2100 J. David Jones
Parkway (217) 370-3780)

WEEK OF:

NOV	25th
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Branch PICKUP is SEPARATE from Yard Waste/Leaf
Pickup. Branch PICKUP happens four times a year.
Branches must be placed curbside by 7:00 a.m. on
the Monday of your pick-up week.

DO NOT PUT branches or brush on the center boulev-
ard. **Smaller branches** can be broken up & placed
in yard waste bags or containers.

Avoid placing branches and yard waste on: manholes,
handholes, junction boxes, meter pits, stand pipes,
sprinkler heads, inlets, drains, poles/posts, guy wires,
general equip/structures, sidewalks, bike lanes, or
boulevards.