PM Notes

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Crack Sealing

The PMA board has contracted Collett Sealcoating of Xenia to seal cracks in PM lanes that were caused by freezing temperatures during the winter. Whereas some cracks are fissures, others are wide and deep, particularly in the northwest lane. Collett is scheduled to do the work on Friday, May 15. Residents should move their cars to Park Meadows Drive or Dayton Street by Friday morning. Lanes will be ready for traffic 24 hours after sealing has been completed.

New garden waste sites

Garden waste committee members Ruth Jordan, Dimi Reber, and Peggy Koebernick have set up two new, conveniently located sites for disposal of garden waste--one at the front of Park Meadows, along the fence near185PM; and the other at the back of PM, against the fence in the north common area. Ruth has dubbed them "clipping pits."

The front pit is located within the existing fence for an open 7ft. x 8ft. drop area. The back pit is situated along a mowed path behind a bush, which should prevent it from disturbing the view for those who live in the north rows. Cedarview mowers will extend and maintain the path to make the area accessible. The committee will spray one time to kill poison ivy; if there is still a problem with poison ivy, residents who have concerns are advised to use the front site.

Disposable items are limited to garden waste (vegetable matter is not permitted), weeds, and grass clippings. Woody debris must be broken into 2 ft. pieces and stacked outside the pit, along the fence. The committee has set a container of lime at the front pit, which is an open area. Residents must spread a layer of lime whenever they dispose of waste, in order to aid decomposition.

The garden waste committee will be monitoring both sites for compliance, and will present a status report at the PMA annual meeting in January.

Spring flowers

Landscaping committee members--Carolyn Ray, Connie Chapman, Elaine Brown, and Sylvia Carter Denny--are making plans for the spring. They have been checking plantings in the circle that were put in last year, to see if any need to be replaced as the result of winter damage. They are also considering some annuals and perennials to tuck into spaces in the circle and in the beds at the PM entrance.

PMA is inviting volunteers to plant and water flowers in the mailbox stand containers. PMA reimburses those who buy flowers, though several volunteers have not sought reimbursement. Over the years, costs for plants have risen. For this reason, last year the board decided to start a fund to help defray expenses, encouraging residents to donate money to buy flowers.

This year total reimbursements are limited to \$120, or \$30 per lane. PMA is again asking for contributions to the fund or donation of flowers for the mailbox stands. The landscaping committee reports that plant containers are also needed because the existing containers are falling apart. Funds and plants for the common areas are welcome as well.

Anyone who wishes to contribute to the planting fund or to request reimbursement may contact Paulette Olson (767-5054, paulette.olson@wright.edu, 195PM mailbox).

Trees and gutters

Enoch's Tree Care has identified nine ash trees in the common area that will require removal. Five are on the west side and four are on the east side.

Trustees remind homeowners who notice problems with gutters on their house to contact Bill Hardman (768-4140; hardmansoccer@sbcglobal.net) for an assessment.

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