

# THE ARBOR VILLAGE VOICE

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### **New Mailboxes**



The Arbor Village Board of Directors has developed a plan to replace all of the cluster mailboxes located throughout Arbor Village.

The new cluster mailboxes, featuring 6 or 8 mail slots and a package compartment, are compliant with US Postal Service regulations, and will provide improved security from mail theft or vandalism. The durable and corrosion resistant units feature a powder coated finish, Sandstone is the color we selected. An example of the mailbox is shown at left.

Some of the new mailboxes will be installed this fall and the remainder will be installed in the spring.

#### **Arbor Village Website**

On our website - www.arborvillage.info - you will find information about board members, monthly board meetings, minutes of past meetings, past newsletters, and other announcements pertaining to the association. You will also find copies of our governing documents and ACC forms for your convenience.

## **Arbor Village Annual Homeowner's Meeting**

The Arbor Village Annual Homeowner's meeting will be held on

Tuesday, October 24, 2017 - 7:00 pm Windermere Property Management 13106 SE 240<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 200 Are you a community-minded person interested in protecting our home values and upholding the standards that make Arbor Village a great neighborhood? Then the Board of Directors is looking for you!

We have open positions on the board. If you're interested in serving on the Board of Directors, please notify us at board@arborvillage.info or contact Lynn Sutherland, Arbor Village Community Manager, at (253) 638-9811.

### **Friendly Reminders**

- Please observe the 25 MPH speed limit in our neighborhood and help keep our kids safe.
- Remember to bring in your garbage cans on Wednesday evenings. Arbor Village Policies & Procedures state that garbage cans may only be in view from the street from 5:00 p.m. the day before trash collection (Tuesday) until 10:00 p.m. the day of trash collection (Wednesday).
- As a pet owner, you are responsible for keeping your animal on a leash and cleaning up its waste whether it's in the park or on your neighbor's lawn.

Please respect your neighbors and don't allow your pooch to relieve himself in the neighbors' yard.

## Arbor Village Homeowners Association Officers of the Board of Directors

- Debbie Sampson, President
- ❖ Abbie Woodland, Vice President
- Sherida Mesake, Treasurer
- Jill Miller, Secretary

Website: www. Arborvillage.info

### Windermere Property Management South

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### **Neighborhood Crime Report**



To protect your property and prevent theft, remember to lock your windows and doors, don't leave valuables in your carand don't leave the garage remote in plain sight.

Remember - if you see suspicious people or activity, please call 911 and make a report. Help keep our neighborhood safe! 



## Making a Change?

We would like to remind everyone that if you are planning a major project on the exterior of your home such as roof replacement, painting, or major landscaping your ACC form must be approved before starting the work.

Please obtain an ACC request form from the web site (www.arborvillage.info). Submit your completed form by email to Lynn Sutherland (Isutherland@wpmsouth.com) for review and approval. Or you can mail or deliver the form to Lynn at the WPM office. Each ACC request will be reviewed and processed as quickly as possible so you can get started on your projects. Remember, to be in compliance with the Arbor Village CC&Rs, you must keep your home in good repair to maintain property

values for all of us.

## 5 Step Fall Clean-up Checklist

If you thought a rake was all you'd need for cleaning up your yard this fall, think again. While raking leaves is an obvious task, there is much more to be done outside your home to prepare for the cooler weather ahead. A little work now will save lots of time when spring finally arrives. Here is a checklist from the Home Depot Garden Club to get your yard ready for win-

- Step 1: Clean your gutters. Now is a good time to clear leaves and debris from your gutters. Ensure proper drainage of your roof to avoid costly leaks before the cooler wet weather hits. Use a small garden trowel to scoop out the gunk. If the dirt is solidified, soak it first to loosen it, then use a garden hose to rinse it out through the downspouts. If there's a clog, use a plumber's auger to free it.
- Step 2: Prune trees and hedges. Trim overgrown areas and remove dead limbs before they weaken and fall under winter snows in the North and heavy rains in the South. Thinning your trees now may save you a roof-repair bill in the future. For higher or heavier tree cleanup, use a chainsaw.
- Step 3: Protect your deck. With summer traffic in your backyard slowing, now is a great time to use a pressure washer to clean the mold, mildew and grime from your deck before sealing it. Once your deck is clean and dry, protect it from costly moisture damage during the cooler wet months ahead with a weatherproofing wood stain.
- Step 4: Do a little lawn maintenance. Fall lawn care will yield maximum results in the spring. Apply herbicides to control weed infestations. Aerate compacted soil or use a rake to remove thatch. Use fall lawn fertilizer to improve soil conditions for when spring growth begins

Mow grass blades no more than 1/3 of its length at once. To clear dried grass clippings, leaves or dirt from your driveway, patio or deck, use a blower. Leaf blowers make lawn work quick and easy. For small lawns use a handheld model. For large, opt for a more comfortable backpack blower.

Step 5: Give your garden bed a clean sweep. As the growing season slows, give your flower garden a clean sweep and prepare it for spring. Spent plants, debris and weeds can be a welcoming and warm environment for fungi and bacteria to grow and a great place for insects to lay eggs. Clearing it now will save you costly springtime repairs. Once your garden is clean, feed your soil by adding fertilizer, compost and organic topsoil; use a tiller to mix it together. When you're finished, cover the garden with pine-bark mulch to prepare it for next spring.

Source: The Home Depot Garden Club. Fall Yard Cleanup Checklist. Retrieved October 9, 2011, from http://www.homedepotgardenclub.com/us/en/outdoor-living/projects/fall-yard-cleanupcheck<del>list.</del>

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Slow Down!