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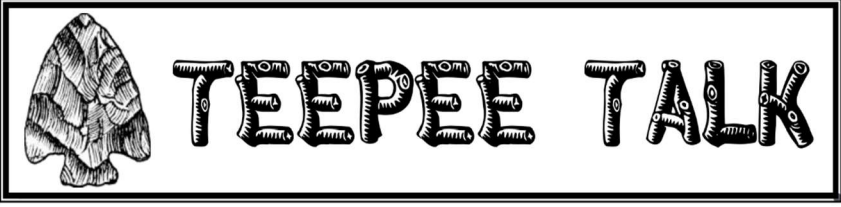
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CHANGES IN THE AHOA BOARD

Nafisia Olia has decided not to return as treasurer as she now has a grandchild that is taking up much of her time. Please thank Nafisa for her service to the Arrowhead community and wish her much joy with her grandchild. Fortunately, Mike Moore has agreed to step in as treasurer. Mike worked very hard as AHOA treasurer for several years some years back, and we welcome him back to the board. His experience and energy is welcome. Larry Rowell also decided not to return as Neighborhood Safety chair. Larry expended a great deal of time and effort to improve the safety of our residents, including trying to re-initiate a neighborhood watch. When you see Larry, remember to thank him. Ordean Robinson has switched from Hospitality to Safety. Grace Pugh is the new Hospitality chairperson.

Residents are always welcome to volunteer for positions on the board. We are always open to fresh new ideas and insights that newcomers bring. If you are interested in helping improve your neighborhood, please contact the President, John Taylor.

SPRING YARD SALE

The Arrowhead Community Yard Sale for Spring 2023 has been set for Saturday, April 15, 2023. This event will be advertised in the newspaper and on-line. Take advantage of this event to get rid of your unwanted and unneeded items and raise a little case for your income tax payment.

TRASH REMINDER

Please remember that the city will not pick up leaves, pine straw or grass clippings that are not in a bag or container after April 15. The city will pick up loose leaves, but only between October 1 – April 15. If you do not want to bag your leaves and grass clippings, consider mulching or composting them in your back yard.

If you have large bulky items such as refrigerators, sofas, or mattresses, you can call 311 and schedule to pick up. There is a \$20 charge for these large items.

AZALEA CARE 101

Azaleas are one of the most popular flowering shrubs in the Arrowhead Community. This relative of the rhododendron originated in Asia, which is why so many varieties have Japanese names. There are also varieties that are native to Alabama, but these are not commonly used in landscapes in this area as they tend to be leggy.

Planting location for azaleas is critical. The soil must be acidic (low pH) and it must be well drained. Fortunately, most of the soil in Arrowhead is acidic, but if your soil is alkaline (high pH) add sulfur or iron sulfate. To ensure good drainage, do not plant in a low spot and liberally amend the soil with organic material, such as compost, peat moss, or other organic amendments. If your soil is heavy clay that does not drain well, consider using a raised bed. Sunlight is also important. Azaleas do best in partial shade. Full sunlight will bleach the leaves. If possible, place them where they will get morning sun and afternoon shade. Deep shade will cause them to be leggy.

Azaleas have relatively shallow roots and dry out quickly. They should be watered at least weekly if there is no rain. Mulching around the base of the plant can help keep them moist without exposing them to excessive moisture. Mulch will also help insulate the shallow roots from extreme heat and cold.

The best time to prune azaleas is after they have finished blooming. Dead branches should be pruned off as soon as you notice them. If an azalea needs extreme pruning, do it during the winter while it is dormant.

Fertilizing azaleas should also be done after they have finished blooming. Use an ammonia-based fertilizer or one specifically formulated for azaleas and camellias, as these help keep the soil acidic.

ALARMING NEWS

A number of people have inquired about receiving a letter, supposedly from the city, about registration and a fee for home security systems. As residents are requested to send the check to an out of state address, many suspect the fee is a scam. Please be advised that this is part of the city's False Alarm Reduction Program. The program is being administered through PMAM, a Texas company. Although, burglar alarms are very vital in deterring crimes, they also can cause a noise nuisance and false alarms waste police manpower. In accordance with Section 3 of the City of Montgomery Ordinance 20-2001 & 51-2002, alarm users are required to obtain a burglar alarm permit. The city charges a one-time \$10 fee on new home security systems to cover the cost of the MPD having to respond to false alarms. Burglar alarm permits can be obtained and purchased by applying online at www.famspermit.com/Montgomery. If you ever have any doubts about the legitimacy of a charge from the City of Montgomery, call 311 to confirm the authenticity of the bill.

MEMBERSHIP LAGGING

The number of memberships in AHOA in 2022 fell short of our goal that is the basis of our annual budget. The AHOA depends on the dues paid by members to pay the monthly electric, water and lawn maintenance bills. In addition, the dues go to pay for Christmas decorations, major repairs to the electrical, security and irrigation systems at the entrances. The electrical and water systems are very old and frequently need repair. It would be cost effective to completely replace these systems, but it is not feasible financially at this time. The security system would be more effective if the cameras were upgraded, but again the financial resources are just not there. About half of the homeowners carry the financial burden of keeping the Arrowhead community a viable and attractive place to live with property values rising instead of declining. If you have not renewed your membership, please renew as soon as possible. If you have never been a member, please join. Consider your dues as an investment in maintaining the value of your property.

The board of the AHOA works very hard to ensure that your dues are used wisely and for the best interest of the neighborhood. In addition, we attempt to leverage your dollars by applying for grants and securing other funds for our community. If even just 2/3 of the residents were members, so much more could be accomplished in bettering the Arrowhead community.

<p>2023 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION</p> <p>ARROWHEAD HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION</p> <p>NAME: _____</p> <p>SPOUSE: _____</p> <p>TITLE(S) _____ TEL # _____</p> <p>ADDRESS: _____</p> <p>E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____</p>	<p>Annual Dues are \$95. You can pay on our website or by mail. Make checks payable to Arrowhead Homeowners Association. Mail to PO Box 241353, Montgomery, Al. 36124-1353. If you wish to donate additional funds to the Association, any amount will be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your support.</p>	<p>We wish to thank those who care enough about their community to join the association and help financially support the upkeep on the entrances and street signs. This helps maintain the property values and makes the community safer. Please consider joining and helping support your neighborhood. For less than \$8.00 a month you will be protecting the value of your property and help making the community more livable for everyone.</p>
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