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# Arbour Meadows Homeowners' Association Newsletter

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## Next Neighborhood Yard Sale Set for Sept. 12 & 13

Mark your calendar for Friday and Saturday, Sept. 12 and 13, for the fall yard sale sponsored by the Arbour Meadows Homeowners' Association (AMHA). Official hours for the neighborhood yard sale are 8 a.m to 2 p.m.

In the days leading up to the sale, AMHA Board members will place ads in local newspapers and post promotional signs on Route 45 and on Curtis Road.

Each year, the AMHA Board sets two weekends

for neighborhood yard sales – usually in mid-June and mid-September.

For more information, get in touch with any AMHA board member (contact information appears below).

## AMHA Continues Search for New Treasurer

After many years of dedicated service to the Arbour Meadows Homeowners' Association Board, secretary-treasurer Roger Francisco has semi-retired from the position – and he soon plans to retire “the rest of the way.”

Lyle and Joyce Amacher have stepped forward to fill Roger's former roles as corresponding secretary and secretary of AMHA.

But the Board is still seeking someone who is willing to serve as treasurer. Roger is willing to train his successor.

The treasurer prepares income and expense summaries for the monthly board meetings, keeps track of dues and other sources of income, makes sure the association's bills are paid on time, and performs related duties.

The position requires some bookkeeping experience and computer skills, ability to attend most of the Board's monthly meetings (held in the evening), and good communication skills.

If you think you may be able to help out by serving as treasurer for at least a year or two, please

contact any member of the AMHA Board:

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The walking path along the west side of the pond has frequently been under water this season. If you have a suggestion on how to resolve this problem – a raised boardwalk, a decorative bridge, a ferry? – please get in touch with any member of the AMHA board.

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Have a question or a  
story idea for the next  
newsletter?

Please send it to the  
newsletter editor in  
care of one of the  
above addresses.

## **New I-57 interchange brings more traffic to Curtis Road**

Progress can bring both challenges and opportunities – and such is the case with the recently opened Curtis Road Interchange on Interstate 57.

Many Arbour Meadows residents have noticed a steady increase in the traffic on Curtis Road, along the northern edge of the subdivision.

Some have noted that the traffic seems to be moving more quickly than it used to.

One neighborhood walking enthusiast noted in early July that she had to wait for about 30 cars to pass before she could safely walk across Curtis Road at Wesley Ave. in the late afternoon.

**Parents of school-age children who regularly bike or walk across Curtis Road are urged to talk with their children about the hazards posed by the increased traffic.**

The three-way stop at Curtis and Prospect Ave. and the traffic light at Curtis and Rt. 45 (Dunlap Ave.) may be safer places for them to cross Curtis Road.

## **Notice a problem in a commons area or near the pond?**

AMHA Board members do their best to stay on top of problem vegetation, maintenance issues and safety concerns in our commons areas – especially along walking paths, drainage swales (grass waterways), the playground and the pond – but we can always use a little help.

If you notice something in an Arbour Meadows commons area that needs prompt attention, please contact any member of the Board.

And if you are a homeowner whose property borders one of these commons areas, please trim back any trees, shrubs or other vegetation that could pose a hazard to children, walkers, runners and bicyclists.