

SPRING RIDGE COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2023

Team Tennis

Spring Ridge Tennis invites Spring Ridge residents age 18 and older to join our Saturday morning group. The Fall 2023 season begins September 9 from 9AM-11AM at the BACK tennis courts while the front courts remain closed. We will play Saturdays until November 18, weather permitting. New member application & waiver forms are available in the Clubhouse. Returning team members have been emailed the forms. Please complete the registration information and bring it with you to the courts. Additionally, you may come to the back tennis courts on Saturday mornings at 9 AM to join, or to find out more information.

Manager's Corner

(For EPM-Managed properties)

Furnace Preparation

With Fall approaching, it is an excellent time to have your heating contractor inspect your furnace to ensure it is functioning properly before winter arrives.

Windows

Management wants to remind residents to keep their basement and garage windows closed. This will prevent animals from seeking shelter as the weather gets colder. If you see a window open, please inform your neighbor or call the Management Office.

Construction Debris

When having work performed in the interior of your unit, all construction materials should be removed by your contractor from the property. In addition, your contractor should not be dumping construction materials inside the community trash dumpsters. *Continued on page 2*

Holiday Office Closure

The office will be closed on Monday, September 4, 2023 in observance of Labor Day. We would like to wish all of you a safe and enjoyable holiday.

Association Office

Mon. - Fri. 9:00 AM- 5:00 PM

Executive Property Management Office Phone: 908-647-6070 Office Fax: 908-647-6479 Emergency No. 908-806-3823

September Board Meetings

18	Adams Village	7:00 PM
28	Jackson Village	7:00 PM
11	Jefferson Village	7:15 PM
27	Madison Village	7:15 PM
20	Van Buren Village	7:00 PM
26	Washington Village	6:00 PM

If it is determined your contractor placed debris inside the community dumpster, the homeowner will be fined.

For Sale Signs

If you are selling your unit, please be aware "For Sale" signs of any kind are not permitted in the community. Please make it clear to your realtor that signs are not to be placed on the Spring Valley Blvd. center island, in the courtyards, on any of the street within Spring Ridge, or in your unit's windows. If any signs are observed, they will be confiscated by Management.

Emergency Service

When contacting the emergency service, please indicate your village, not Spring Ridge. Doing so will ensure that your message is directed to the appropriate and correct Property Manager so they can respond in a timely manner.

Snow Birds

With the winter season coming, the Management office would like to take a moment to remind residents who spend the winter months out of the state "Snowbirds," the following recommendations to prevent property damage and assure prompt responses in the event of an unplanned occurrence:

- Keep your thermostat set above 60 degrees to prevent your pipes from freezing.
- Have a local emergency contact person who can access your unit should Management contact you regarding an emergency.
- Shut off the water to your entire unit while you are away to limit any damages should something happen.
- Another option is to contract a plumber to winterize your unit before you leave for the season.

Washington Village, Jefferson Village, and Single-Family/Duplex residents, your shut-off is located above your water heater. If you live in Madison Village, buildings 86 and 89 – 98, the shut-off is located above the water heater. If you live in Madison Village, buildings 62-86 and 87-88, the shut-off is located in the closet that backs up to your bathroom tub, close to the floor.





Barbara Kukura Broker Associate Spring Ridge Resident Cell: 908-917-2132 Bkukura@aol.com



7 Mt Bethel Rd Warren, NJ 07059 908-754-7511 The decision to put your home on the market is a business decision. As an expert in market conditions, and a **resident of Spring Ridge**, I know how to create the strongest marketing position to sell your home.

For a free market analysis, simply give me a call or send an email.



Village News

Jackson Village

Reminder: Dryer vent cleaning/ chimney cleaning is not due this year. It will be due in September of 2024. We cannot accept receipts from this year for next years' service.

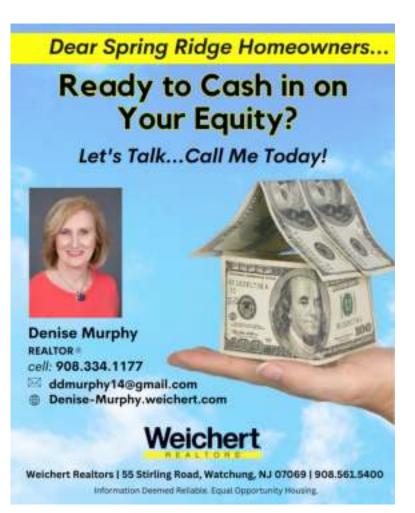
Project news-This has been a busy project year. We are happy to announce that this year's project work included 34 garage door replacements with additional 34 garage doors to be completed this year, entry step and railing replacements, garage and entry light replacements, numerous valve replacements, dumpster doors and posts replacements, storm drain repairs, additional plantings, and all hallways and dumpster areas were powerwashed. Kudos to the Board for being proactive in ensuring that our community is being well maintained.

Recycling and Trash Disposal-Please ensure that you are disposing of the recycling in the correct recycling sheds and trash in the trash sheds. We noted that many items are being commingled resulting in our on-site maintenance personnel spending much time moving items to their correct locations. Any electronic items including but not limited to tv's, computers, refrigerators, microwaves, etc. you will need to contact Public Works at 908-204-3084 and obtain a permit card to be able to dispose of these items at the Pill Hill Recycling Center.

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Exterior Unit Modifications-If you plan to replace, modify, or install anything that can be seen from the exterior of your unit, you must seek prior approval from the Association. Please contact Management to obtain the proper modification form and obtain written approval prior to any work being done.

Reminder, you should be utilizing your garage and driveway first and foremost before parking in the guest spots. There are two (2) units in each courtyard that do not have garages and have reserved parking spaces. Please do not park in those reserved parking spaces as they are for the exclusive use by that specific unit owner.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 28, 2023, at 7:00 P.M and will be a zoom meeting.

Adams Village

FirstService Residential has put into place a new Community Manager for Adams Village. Please welcome - Sasha Blanchette - who comes to your communities with 8 years of experience in the Residential Property Management industry. Sasha has a strong work ethic, a "Do what's right" attitude, dependable and very communicative. Sasha is committed to building helpful, constructive & productive relationships with Board Members and Residents, while also exploring new opportunities for growth and innovation Adams Village can benefit from.

Should you need Management assistance, please contact her directly during normal business hours by calling (732) 430-7175 or email <u>sasha.blanchette@</u> <u>fsresidential.com</u>.

Welcoming Fall already? That was fast! That means it's Budget Drafting time! *Continued on page 5*







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During this time the Board will be reviewing contracts to ensure proper funding. Look for Budget Ratification at the October Board Meeting. The next Open Board Meeting is scheduled for September 18, 2023 at 7:00pm.

Van Buren Village

FirstService Residential has put into place a new Community Manager for Van Buren Village. Please welcome - Sasha Blanchette - who comes to your communities with 8 years of experience in the Residential Property Management industry. Sasha has a strong work ethic, a "Do what's right" attitude, dependable and very communicative. Sasha is committed to building helpful, constructive & productive relationships with Board Members and Residents, while also exploring new opportunities for growth and innovation Van Buren Village can benefit from.

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Welcome Fall and Closing out Summer Maintenance Update: The Dumpster enclosures/corrals have been completed as well as the crack filling and seal coating project. Thank you to all Residents who complied so quickly- leaving garage doors open and cars removed from the areas needed to allow this project to be completed in a timely manner.

Van Buren Village Exterior Maintenance Reminders: Decorations/Flags – if decorations/flags hang or go over your balcony/ porch guardrails – please bring them inside the guardrails. *Bylaws, Section 5 - Rules of Conduct, d.* "No resident shall hang garments, wash rugs, clothes, <u>or any other</u> <u>items from the windows or from any of</u> <u>the facades, porches, patios, or balconies."</u> *Continued on page 6*



The next Van Buren Open Board Meeting is scheduled for September 20, 2023.

Madison Village Common Area Inspections

Please be advised that common area inspections are ongoing. Anyone found to have personal items in the hallways or common grounds will receive a warning notice, followed by a fine if the violation is not abated. You may have a wreath on your door and a floor mat in front of your door. We thank everyone for their anticipated cooperation.

Vehicle Parking

Just a reminder, residents who own two vehicles or less are required to park their vehicles inside their garage or in the space in front of their garage door. If you own more than two vehicles, you should utilize your garage and driveway before utilizing any guest parking spaces. This leaves the guest parking available for guests.

Dumpster Enclosures

Please make sure you close the dumpster doors once you have disposed of your trash/recycling. This keeps the wildlife from entering the enclosure. Also, please be respectful of your fellow residents and place your trash in the dumpster and not in the recycling buckets or on top of the dumpster, and break down your boxes prior to placing them in the recycling dumpster.

Mailboxes

The United States Postal Service is no longer servicing the locks on your mailboxes. If you lose your key, or have problems with the lock on your mailbox, it is now your responsibility to hire a locksmith to have the lock replaced.

Wildlife

Please DO NOT feed the wildlife. 6

Although you may have good intentions, this is dangerous for both the animals and the residents.

Washington Village

Annual Election Meeting

The Washington Village Annual Election meeting will take place on Tuesday, October 24, 2023. All owners should have received a mailing that included a nomination application for those interested in running for a position on the Board of Trustees. All nominations must be received at the Management office by **Tuesday**, **September 19**th.

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- Breathe cleaner air
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- Furnace, air handlers, A/C coil cleaning
- Dryer vent cleaning & repair
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Dumpster Enclosures

Residents should not place furniture, beds, electronics, and other household items in the dumpster sheds. This is prohibited and a safety issue to other residents who are trying to dispose of their trash. If you have large items you wish to dispose of, you can arrange for a bulk item pickup from the trash hauler. There may be a disposal cost depending on the items. Please contact the clubhouse for the company's phone number. You can also dispose of items at the Bernards Township Pill Hill facility. You are required to obtain a permit which can be obtained online at www.bernards.org.

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The United States Postal Service is no longer servicing the locks on your mailboxes. If you lose your key, or have problems with the lock on your mailbox, it is now your responsibility to hire a locksmith to have the lock replaced.

<u>Jefferson Village</u> Testing of Common Smoke Alarms in the Basements

The Association will be testing the fire alarm system in September or October. Residents must provide access to their storage room in order for the Association to test all the alarms. If the electrician has to return to inspect a storage room because access was not provided, a reinspection fee will be charged to the homeowner. Residents will be informed of the inspection date beforehand.

Association Website

The Association continues to move forward by sending notices and informative emails to the community via the Association website and reducing the number of paper notices.

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Call for a consultation 973-403-8600

Evening and weekend appointments available

Residents who are not registered on the Association's website will miss important news, surveys, and other information. Please contact the Management office to have a website invite sent so you may activate your account.

Building Entrance Railing Replacement

New railings will be installed in the next month or two for the entrance stairs that were replaced.

Community Surveys

Last month, the Association sent a landscaping survey to the community via the Jefferson Village website, which is now closed. If you did not receive the emailed survey, then you have not registered with the website. Join the Jefferson Village website by contacting the Management office at 908-647-6070.



Snow Birds

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- Have a local emergency contact person who can access your unit should Management contact you regarding an emergency.
- Shut off the water to your unit while you are away to limit any damages should something happen.
- Another option is to contract a plumber to winterize your unit during the time that you are away.

Neighbor to Neighbor Complaints

While the Association and Management are here to help the residents in neighbor-to-neighbor disputes, the Association's ability to assist is limited. The utmost help that the Association can provided is offering an alternative dispute resolution (ADR) mediation between parties. However, neither party is required to participate in an ADR nor abide by any decision resulting from an ADR Hearing.

The best approach is for you to speak with your neighbor about the matter, as they may not be aware of the situation. Should that approach not prove beneficial, then you may wish to file a formal complaint with the Association. The Association will investigate the matter, and if warranted, the Association will contact your neighbor. Matters that are in violation of Association rules will follow specific guidelines as outlined and approved by The Board. However, should that not resolve the issue, or the situation is escalating, you may choose to take other action such as contacting the police or filing a complaint with the Township Courts.

<u>Single-Family/Duplex</u> Single Family/Duplex Website

Please know you have a community website, <u>singlefamilyduplexes</u>. <u>frontsteps.com</u>. It's an interactive, informational site designed to get you the information you need when you need it. If you have not joined the website, you should. Otherwise, you will miss important news or notifications. If you wish to send an email to your representative, you can. The email address is <u>single</u>. <u>duplex@gmail.com</u>.

Front Door Pediment

Homeowners can replace their existing front door acorn pediment with a combination peaked cap pediment. The Association has approved the combination peaked cap pediment from Fypon. The part number with the bottom trim is CPCP75BT. The website for the company is <u>www.</u> <u>fypon.com</u>



Some Friendly Reminders

- Flower beds should be mulched or have approved stone. The beds shall be free of weeds, any dead or diseased bushes and trees and dead plant material.
- Front yards shall be free of dead or diseased bushes and trees. Trees and bushes shall be pruned or trimmed to eliminate dead or broken wood.
- The homeowner must properly dispose of leaves, grass clippings, and trees. These items should not be blown onto or placed upon the property of another village.

- The front of the home shall not be used to store toys, trampolines, equipment, portable goals, and other clutter or debris.
- A home's siding shall be kept clean and free of mold or mildew.
- Broken or missing shutters must be replaced and kept painted with the Association-approved colors.
- Don't forget to cut your grass at least once a week.
- Don't forget that vendor lawn signage are not permitted to be displayed.

Association Specifications To Be Aware Of

Note:

Homeowners must submit a property modification/replacement form seeking prior approval before replacing/repairing/installing any items seen from their home exterior. The Association specifications and a property modification form are available on the Single-family/Duplex website.

<u>Mulch</u>

Approved color is brown or black

Approved Mailbox Posts

- 4 x 4 wood L-Style post. (adopted 2013)
 White sided homes: post color white.
 Tan sided homes: post color Commonwealth Beige
- Mayne Manchester model #5852 (post #5853, arm #5854) (adopted 2013)

White sided homes: color white. Tan sided homes: color clay

Maintenance freestyle post

Approved Mailboxes

- Approved color- black
- Letter style box- 6-7 inches wide, 18-22 inches long and 6-8 inches tall.
- Pinnacle locking mailbox- model 1022, Size (10.75" W x 11" H x 23" D)
- Mailbox should be mounted 3 ¹/₂ to 4 feet from the height of the ground

Paint Colors

Available from Warrenville Hardware

Hampton, Alexandria, Salem, Smithfield, Plymouth Homes-
Benjamin MooreChrome Green (W096-4X)ShuttersBrilliant White (W096-01)Trim & Garage Door & Front Door

Commonwealth and Gelsey Homes-Benjamin Moore Commonwealth Beige (W096-2X)

Trim & Garage Door & Front door

Duplex Homes Privacy Fencing

- Board on Board fence style (Wolmanized wood or Cedar)
- Top of the panels may be arched, scalloped or straight
- Maximum height of fence panel, 6' ft in height from natural grade of land and 8' ft wide.
- Maximum of (2) two panels or (16 ft) may be installed.
- Fence must be installed at the center point of the duplex build-ing
- All fences, whether wolmanized wood or cedar, may not be painted or stained a color. They can be allowed to weather to a natural gray color or made be waterproofed.
- Vinyl fencing is not approved for installation.



Clubhouse Activities

Please remember that participants are responsible for bringing their own supplies, i.e. yarn, knitting needles, cards, games, mahjong tiles. No items are to be stored in the lounge for the following week's activities.

All activities begin at 1:00 PM. The schedule is as follows:

Mondays: Knitting Tuesdays: Cards & Games Wednesdays: Mahjong Thursdays: Rummikub Fridays: Bingo



Classifieds

All classifieds are due to the Management Office by the 15th of each month. Please email your classified ad to <u>Elisa.C@epmwebsite.com</u>.

FOR SALE: Drop leaf Coffee table light cherry \$65.00, ironing board \$10.00, Toy Chest 10.00, child's foot stool. Call Doris 973-479-7142.

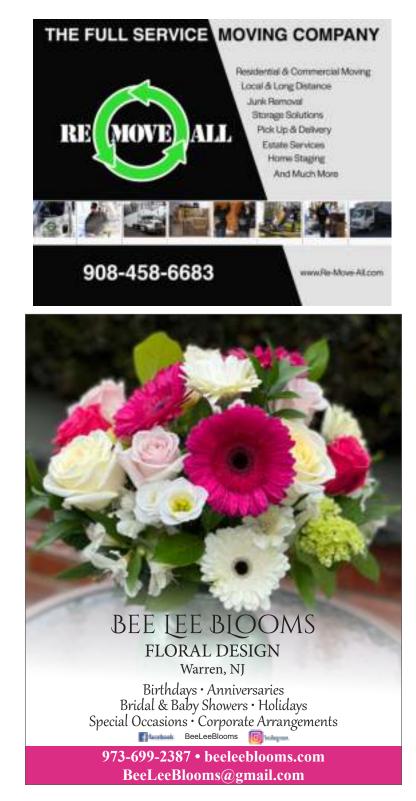
FOR SALE: Levi Straus men's jeans 1) waist 38, length 32. \$16.00. 2) waist 36, length 32. \$16.00. Shoes for women8-9.5, dresses size 8-14, pocket books. All priced separately. Call 973-479-7142.

FOR SALE: Yamaha 240 watt home theater sound system receiver with 6 speakers, 1 woofer. Soney KLN cable ready \$100.00. Call Paul 908-208-1314 or <u>nancyrdianna@gmail.com</u>.

FOR SALE: 1) YARN for sale: Knitting and crochet yarn. Various weights from DK to worsted to some bulky. Sacrificing my baskets full of yarn. 2) Floor standing Metal vase with Brown background and Snake motif. \$20.00. Please call 908-604-6546 and leave a message.

FOR SALE: 1) Laura Ashley Mayhill dinner service for 8. Asking \$110. 2) Italian ceramic oval centerpiece bowl. Dishwasher safe, Made in Italy C.I.C. 16.5" wide x 20.5" long, blue/purple/green/pink. Asking \$25. Call Eve @ 908-580-9237. **FOR SALE:** Classic Bianchi Men's Road Bike in good condition - 26 inch wheel size CR-MO Pg Three nine. Asking \$350 - Vera Silva (908-764-1214)

FOR SALE: Brand New, never used 8.0 cu. ft. Front Load Perfect Steam Electric Dryer with LuxCare Dry and Instant Refresh in White color by Electrolux. Comes with 5 year extended warranty. The unit measures 31.5" Depth, x 38" High x 27" wide. This unit comes with 30A 3 prong plug. Only reason of sale is because the unit does not fit in my space. My loss your gain. I can deliver depending on distance. Asking \$800 obo. Please call 732-921-9556.



THE FORMISANO TEAM

Market Update

Bernards Township/Basking Ridge

Inventory is low! If you are interested in hearing about the market, please contact me.

Roxanne - Your Spring Ridge Specialist

Thank you so much and Happy Labor Day Weeekend!

SOLD IN JULY**

ADDRESS	LIST PRICE	#ROOMS	#BEDROOMS	#BATHROOMS	SOLD PRICE
132 JAMESTOWN ROAD	\$309,900	5	2	1	\$348,500
129 POTOMAC DRIVE	\$349,900	5	2	2	\$380,000
302 ALEXANDRIA WAY	\$699,999	7	3	2.1	\$750,000

** Source GSMLS. Sold information deemed reliable but not guaranteed. If your home is currently on the market this is not a solicitation.

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ADDRESS	BEDS	BATHS	LIST	SOLD	CLOSED
302 Alexandria Way	3	2.5	\$699,999	\$750,000	07/11/23
132 Jamestown Rd	2	1	\$309,900	\$348,500	07/14/23

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