

WingHaven (WH) Spring Cleaning and Routine Maintenance

Spring is just around the corner—I hope. We all know what Spring cleaning means - windows washed, porches, decks and patios cleaned, general spruce-up. There is a next step to consider, and that is the value of Routine Home and Property Maintenance.

WingHaven is going on 15 years old - give or take a few. As our homes and neighborhoods age, planned routine maintenance plays a more vital role in maintaining property values.

Attention will be necessary to ensure that our neighborhoods remain appealing places to live. Neighborhoods, both in and out of WH, are in competition for potential buyers. Well-maintained homes result in a competitive neighborhood that attracts potential buyers because the quality is not declining, and there is curb appeal.

Our common goal should be to maintain the aesthetic appearance of WingHaven as it ages. This will be a progressive challenge for the future.

The WingHaven Governing Documents and the City of O'Fallon Codes are meant to preserve the appeal of neighborhoods. The overwhelming majority of homeowners appreciate the value and purpose of community standards for preserving value—just as it is safe to assume that a majority of homeowners value safety and security. Furthermore, the vast majority of homeowners cooperate and see compliance as beneficial to the community. A very small minority of homeowners do not. In those cases, governing documents will be used to encourage and address individuals regularly when compliance is necessary and not being followed.

The proactive pursuit and early detection of community standard violations seeks to avoid neighborhood deterioration, and, I submit, is good for the majority of homeowners.

Please give thought to the desirable characteristics that preserve property values in your neighborhood.

Your support and cooperation is important. With that, we will preserve our community standards. It is assumed that all homeowners have been made aware of the WH indentures at property closing. It is also assumed that realtors and listing agents on “For Sale” properties are aware that WH Indentures and “Use Restrictions” are applicable. Familiarize yourselves with the “Explore Our Site” portion of the wroa.info site that provides a wealth of information on WingHaven Documents, Architectural Guidelines, Home Maintenance and Community Standards. These are the tools that will encourage homeowners to ensure WingHaven is the place to be.

Come on Spring!!

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