

TO: All **Duneland Beach** Home and Property Owners  
FROM: Duneland Beach Association, Inc. - **Board of Directors**  
RE: Spring Letter to Members  
DATE: April 7, 2022

The DBA Annual Meeting, this year is scheduled for Saturday June 25, at 10 am at the Living Way Church, 2410 Duneland Beach Dr.

### **LEAF PICKUP**

**There is only one Spring leaf pickup: all leaves need to be at the curb by Sunday May 1st.** Our contractor will make one pass through the entire community beginning Monday May 2nd. Any leaves raked to the street after the pickup will be the homeowner's responsibility to remove.

The leaf pickup machine is vacuum-operated and pulls the leaves into a spinning blade that is very susceptible to damage from solid objects. Please rake **only** leaves to the edge of the road - **NO rocks, bricks, wires, branches**, etc. If you have a landscaping service, please make sure they are aware of this. If you have **small** branches, please put them in a separate pile for pickup. Do not place leaves or sticks in the garbage or recycling containers.

### **GARBAGE AND RECYCLE**

**Please do not set out anything that does not fit into the bins. It will not get picked up – this includes yard waste. Everything must be in a bin.**

Pick-up of both garbage and recycle is on Mondays, except from Labor Day through Memorial Day when the recycle will only be picked up every other week. Contact the DB Website [info@dunelandbeach.net](mailto:info@dunelandbeach.net) for extra or new containers, blue-recycle or brown-garbage, or if you have any comment on the service.

### **BEACH**

Fortunately, we fared better this winter than in previous seasons and our stairs remain intact. Stop 36 stairs will be put back in place once the weather breaks.

Our dune restoration project continues and again, we will be working with Jim and Sam Erdelac. We will be concentrating on removing invasive species, transplanting marram grass and picking up trash. Workdays to be announced in early May. Join the fun and volunteer to help.

#### Important Reminders:

1. Please **ONLY** use the steps to access our beautiful beach
2. Please display your beach tag when accessing/using the beach. **NO GREEN tag=no beach access**
3. Pets are prohibited on the beach from 10 am to 6 pm
4. Please stay off the marram grass as it is very delicate and stay off the boulders as they are shifting and very dangerous
5. **NO glass** (not even a wine bottle hidden in your cooler)
6. All personal items must be removed from the beach at the end of the day. This includes chairs, toys, tents, blow up floats etc. **ONLY** watercraft with a DBA sticker and Lilly pads may be left on the beach

### **WATERCRAFT**

As you are all aware, we lost more than 50% of our fore dune over the last few years and much of what is left is bordered by a steep cliff and boulders that are constantly shifting. To protect the fore dune that remains from further damage, we will not allow storage of watercraft on the dune grass. Any item left on the fore dune will be removed. You may, at your own risk, leave watercraft (with a DBA sticker) on the sand portion of the beach.

## **WATER**

The Indiana Department of Environmental Management has mandated that all sprinkler systems and swimming pools have a device that prevents accidental siphoning of ground or swimming pool water back into the drinking water system causing contamination. These devices must be checked on an annual basis and the results documented. The company that you have identified as servicing your sprinkler system or pool **must** report the results of the annual check. As this is a state mandated rule, if you fail to comply, you risk having your water shut off.

We are in the process of making some improvements to the water tower and will provide an update at our annual meeting.

## **PARK**

The Pickle Ball Court was a big hit last summer and will be available again this year. New lines will be painted on the basketball court and hopefully, at some point we will be able to resurface the tennis court.

## **Real Estate**

A new real estate transfer form has been implemented by the Association. If you plan to sell your home, please make sure you have a copy of the real estate transfer form that was implemented last year. As a reminder, all beach tags must be turned in to the Association office prior to closing.

As a reminder, per Article 1 in The Rules and Regulation of the Association:

*Section 1:* All rental, sales and purchases, and transfers of real estate in Duneland Beach are subject to the prior written approval of the Association's Real Estate Committee and/or Board. Rentals for periods of less than one (1) month or to more than a single family will not be approved. Please forward any rental agreement to the Association office.

## **811 – CALL BEFORE YOU DIG**

We are members of the 811 – the call before your dig program in Indiana. Call 811 when you need to have your utilities located and our water lines will be included in the location process.

## **GOLF CARTS**

New ordinances were implemented last year by the town of Long Beach. Please do not leave your golf cart at the stop or on the side of the road.

## **EMAIL**

Please assist us in reducing cost and improve efficiency by allowing us to email the seasonal newsletter and other important announcements to you instead of using the US Postal Service. Please use the email link [info@dunelandbeach.net](mailto:info@dunelandbeach.net) or "Leave a Message" on the main page of our website [www.dunelandbeach.net](http://www.dunelandbeach.net) and provide your latest email address with a request to have all communications sent electronically.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to communicate with you as we look forward to another delightful Spring and Summer on the shores of Lake Michigan!

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