



## Newsletter: January, 2021

Just a little housekeeping, here, this cold winter day. A couple of reminders (don't you get tired of reminders?), a notice about the Harlem Drain District, the 2021 recycling schedule, and information you may already have about the COVID vaccine.

**Reminder #1: Christmas decorations** should be removed by the end of January. Yes, downtown Holland is keeping their lights up. So is my neighbor, who believes in leaving her indoor tree up until February. But please take advantage of the relatively dry weather, and put exterior decorations away.

**Reminder #2: Use a safe de-icer.** While we have had a dry winter so far, ice is dangerous, especially near the mailboxes, and in our driveways. Calcium chloride is the safest de-icer for grass and other plantings, but even it can do damage if applied too liberally. All de-icers take time to work; don't expect instant results, and apply only enough to do the job (more is not faster). Damaged lawns take many weeks to recover in the spring.

### Harlem Drain District assessment

In November, 2020, the Ottawa County Drain Commissioner notified property owners that the boundaries of the Harlem Drain District have not changed over the past 30 years, and are now being revised to reflect development over time and today's conditions. Additionally, a contract would be let for improvements to the drain, and property owners would be assessed for the cost of the improvements.

Subsequent discussions between WWPCA and the Commissioner's office through December, 2020, revealed the following:

- 1) Although Waterway Pines drains into Pine Creek, Pine Creek is a part of the legally established Harlem Drain District under the newly revised boundaries. Therefore, our condominium complex is now included in the new Harlem Drain District boundaries.
- 2) The cost of a project to excavate the drain and remove woody debris would be charged as a minimum special assessment, billed to each co-owner individually rather than to the Condominium Association. The cost of that assessment will be \$100, in total, which will appear as part of your next winter tax bill.



The Board has decided to ask each co-owner to pay the assessment when it appears on your tax bill rather than try to absorb the cost for 148 units in our 2021 budget. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Jim Visser at 616-294-1232.

Thank you,

For the Board,  
Jim Visser, President

### Recycling

You might have read in the summary of the 2020 evaluations that smaller recycling bins are now available from our vendor Arrowwaste. If you need a bin, or wish to have a smaller bin, please use the wwpines.net website to contact Paul Kehnle, who will make arrangements for that.

Recycling is collected every two weeks. The recycling schedule is posted at wwpines.net under the tab “documents.”

Here is a copy:


**YOUR EVERY-OTHER WEEK  
RECYCLING SCHEDULE (A)**

Please put your recycling cart out during the highlighted weeks.  
616.748.1955 | www.arrowwaste.com

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Holidays are marked with green squares. Those pickups that fall ON or AFTER the holiday will be delayed one day for that week only. Because the Independence Day holiday falls on a Sunday, July 5th, we will observe Monday, July 5th. All pickups will be delayed one day for that week only.

#### 2021

**Cart Placement Tips**  
2 feet from other carts, cans, mailboxes, walls, trees, vehicles, etc.  
Face the cart forward, with the bar toward the street.





## Finally, the COVID vaccine

Many of you probably already know that you can register for the a COVID vaccine at the Ottawa County website.

- Go to [miottawa.org](http://miottawa.org)
- Click on “departments” and then on “Department of Public Health”
- Click on “COVID 19 Response”
- Click on “I want the vaccine”
- Fill out the form (you may need to scroll down to find it), and submit.
- Do this for each person you are registering.

You will receive an email acknowledging that you have registered. This is NOT AN APPOINTMENT.

When the county receives vaccination doses, they will send you an email announcing that appointments are available.

Respond as quickly as possible: once you get that email, it appears that the shots are scheduled on a “first come, first served” basis.

We understand that at the time of the first vaccination, you will be able to schedule the second booster shot. We do not know whether the county will be dispensing Moderna or Pfizer vaccinations: we have heard via the grapevine that they have dispensed both, at different times.

And that’s a positive note on which to close this newsletter. Stay safe, everyone.