Happy Fall Everyone! Important LHE reminders for 2024-2025 Fall and Winter

Apple Trees

Per our arborist's direction: Please DO NOT HANG, PIN, TIE, OR LEAN anything on the branches or trunk of the apple tree in front of your unit.

Bird Feeders

Self-contained bird feeders may be placed outside from <u>December 1st</u> to <u>April 1st</u>. *Note, this is a change from last year. NH Fish & Game now recommends no feeders before December 1st*.

Thermostat Setting

If you plan on being away, please set your thermostat to 55, and open the cabinet doors under your sinks. Also, have a friend or neighbor come by occasionally to check if all is well (and your propane burner didn't inadvertently shut off).

Propane Furnace Maintenance

Please make sure it's serviced/inspected annually. You should also replace the air filter every six (6) months. The Board recommends Sanford Heating & Cooling (603)-672-1643.

Snowstorms and Vehicles

- We'll aim to email you as to when our plowing contractor is expected to arrive during or after a storm.
- Please plan to move your car(s) out of your driveway.
- This is especially important for the middle units of buildings, as it makes it difficult to remove snow from one unit's driveway if the adjacent unit hasn't moved their vehicle. This is a hazard for your neighbor.
- Use the mail kiosk parking lot, or Long Hill Road to temporarily (2-3 hours) park your vehicle. Or, if a neighbor has had their driveway cleared, you could speak with them about temporarily parking there.
- Normally, our snow removal contractor returns the next day for a second plow. All vehicles should be moved from kiosk parking the day after a storm so the snow removal team can clear the kiosk lot. Vehicles parked at the uncleared kiosk lot after driveways are cleared may be towed.
- Please avoid street parking during winter months. Overnight street parking is not allowed. Vehicles may be towed.

Fire Safety

- Electric Space Heaters: Turn off and unplug when leaving room or going to bed.
- *Clothes Dryer*: Clean lint filter after each use; Clean vent duct regularly (at least once/year with units of more than two residents, or if used often). Thank you to everyone who had their dryer vents inspected/cleaned this fall.
- Smoke Alarms: Test them all 1x/month by pressing the test button and listening for the alarm.
- Fireplaces & Chimneys:
 - Thank you to everyone who had their chimneys inspected/cleaned this fall.
 - Units with wood fireplaces should have their chimneys cleaned at least every two years, depending on use.
 - If you don't burn wood, your chimney should be cleaned periodically as bees/wasps/birds build nests.

Idling Your Vehicle in Winter

Understandably, in cold weather many of us would like to have our car warmed up before we get in. Please don't overdo it. If your neighbor's car idles too long, feel free to gently remind them.

More on Vehicles:

- Street Parking: Maximum of two (2) hours. If you need more time, get permission from the board. Don't park directly across from another car parked on the street. We need room for ambulances and emergency vehicles to pass.
- *Kiosk Parking Lot*: You may leave a car there for three (3) out of seven (7) days. Board permission is needed for a longer parking period.
- Lawn Parking: Make sure that your vehicle's tires are NOT on the lawn. Please remind your guests.

Emergency Access into Unit

If you are away, make sure a resident of LHE has access to your unit and a Board member knows who can access your unit. Access to units is important in an emergency.

Thank you for your attention to these matters.

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