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Dear Neighbors,

Happy Autumn!

Fall is one of the most beautiful times of year here at Mt. Kemble Lake. We are fortunate to have so much preserved woodlands in our community and it is even more apparent to us as the trees change color.

A map showing where the MKL Land Preservation sites are located will be re-circulated shortly. Please remember that you may not put yard or animal waste on these sites. The by-law is on the website to help you as well.

So where should we put our yard waste? We have a couple of choices.

If you don't have a particular area in your own yard (and I know of several people who do, including us), you should take your yard waste to the designated area behind the garden. We know that right now this area is a real mess because there has been a lot of use and Backshall hasn't gotten back there to chop it up, but it is still usable. Also, please remember that any contractor you have should not dump anything on any property. They should take it away.

It has become obvious recently that several resident/contractors are dumping yard waste and other debris (asphalt & pavers) on preserved woodlands. Someone actually trampled the new forsythia I planted, to get to a pile of yard waste and then CUT DOWN a large forsythia that has been growing there for years!! Well, guess what?? We voted to preserve these lots and are getting a tax break. These lots need to be respected; they need to be protected.

I realize that a lot of "us" old-timers have been using vacant lots for years to contain our yard waste and perhaps it will take a while to get into the habit of doing the right thing, but we really should start. ***NOW** would be a good time!*

Fortunately, road cleanup is coming on November 23 to take the majority of our leaves. About two weeks prior to road cleanup when most of the leaves start to fall, we may place our leaves at the curb and they will be picked up.

Our vacant lots are MKL Land preservation sites. We are lucky to live in a community with planning and forward thinking of the future and land preservation. Please keep all of our sites natural and clean of waste.

If you have any questions, comments or suggestions, please email us.

Enjoy the season!

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