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WOOD CREEK HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello to All,

Your Board has been very active these last few weeks finishing current year projects and planning for the next year. A full report of the status of Wood Creek will be presented at our **Annual meeting, June 15th**. All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Financial Planning and the Strength of our Board Staff are two elements uppermost in my mind today.

Financial Planning - we as a board are very conscious of our responsibility to control costs. At this point we are on plan to spend at the planned level. Homeowners should be aware, however, that the recent wind storm caused some major damage and unplanned costs. Trees fell or became unsafe. Crofton responded promptly and professionally to remove trees and restore safety at significant cost. Storm debris necessitated a non-scheduled clean up that alone cost over \$3,000.

Long range we are planning for roofing in 2019, road repair this year, possible future work on the retention pond and repair of a retention wall near 490 - as well as the scheduled siding repair for this paint cycle.

Details on all of this will follow - specifically at the Annual Meeting.

Strength of Board Staff - it pleases me greatly that we have two talented and skilled individuals who have accepted our nomination for open Board seats. Tom Shay is new to Wood Creek yet comes with strong past experience on other boards. Tom is a hands-on person with a passion for the operations side of our

community. Marilynn Barron McDonald is also new to Wood Creek. She brings professional experience in communication and organizational effectiveness to our team. She sat in at our most recent Board meeting.

You will learn more about them as the Nomination Process rolls out over the next few days.

Stay in touch,

Tom Glisson
Board President

CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION TO

Wood Creek HOA Board of Directors

Marilyn Barron-McDonald (129 Wood Creek)

John Caufield (83 Creek Ridge)

Thomas Shay (16 Creek Ridge)

- ❖ Marilyn has lived in Wood Creek since December 2015, and has her own business training and coaching in the field of TV and radio communications. She looks forward to working with the Board.
- ❖ John, currently finishing his first term as Board Secretary, has graciously offered to run for a second term on the Board. He has been indispensable for the past three years, and the Board is grateful that he will continue.
- ❖ Tom, a resident since November 2016, is in the field of finance and has been involved in many community organizations and boards. He will bring this vast experience to the WC HOA. Tom is currently filling an open position on the board since he was approved at the March 2017 meeting.

Please be sure to vote and try to attend the Wood Creek Homeowners' Annual Meeting on Thursday, June 15 at 7:00 pm at the Pittsford Presbyterian Church. Ballots and candidate resumes will be mailed soon from Crofton. Also in the envelope will be a proxy form to use if you are unable to attend the June 15 meeting.

The Social Committee is hosting an Ice Cream Social at the Church just prior to the meeting. Come early to enjoy dessert and to visit with friends!

DATES TO REMEMBER

**Wood Creek Homeowners'
Annual Meeting
Thurs. June 15, 7 pm
Pittsford Presbyterian Church.
Come early for the Ice Cream
Social!**



Third Thursday of the month: Board meeting, 5:30 pm. Location: to be announced each month on the Board Meeting Agenda. The Spiegel Center is currently under renovation; we will let you know when we can resume meeting there.

VARIANCES

The Board approved variances for the following units at the February, March and April meetings:

- 151 and 153 Wood Creek (White and Bellisario) – Pachysandra removal and grass seed planted
- 7 Creek Ridge (Alheim) – Install two glass block windows with vents into basement windows
- 7 CR (Alheim) – Replace eight windows
- 36 Creek Ridge (Spiecher) – Storm doors, front and back
- 7 Summer Tree (Dintruff) – landscaping will be addressed shortly, in conjunction with new policy.

Please remember that the 2-page variance requests are due **12** calendar days before the monthly meeting. All variance requests must be submitted directly to the Crofton office with supporting documentation. Board members and contractors may not accept them for you. Policy #28 outlines the Procedure for Handling Requests for Variances.

Many of our neighbors have or have had very interesting careers/hobbies/adventures. If you have a story to tell or would like to submit an article that would be of interest to Wood Creek residents, you are encouraged to do so! Please email the newsletter editor at ginny.quinn5@gmail.com with your suggestions.



PROPERTY MANAGER'S CORNER

Chemical Application Schedule (weather dependent)

For information on chemicals being applied go to: www.croftoninc.com, "Our Communities", "Chemical Application Information".

For schedule changes due to weather, go to: www.croftoninc.com/wood-creek

Lawn:

Fert, Weed & Crabgrass - week of 5/1/17
Fert, Grub & Spot Weed – week of 6/19/17
Fert & Weed – week of 8/21/17

Tree & Shrubs:

Inspection, Treatment & Disease Control – week of 4/17/17
Inspect & Treat – week of 6/12/17
Inspect & Treat – week of 7/17/17

Pests: morning of May 27, 2017

The Association has chosen to provide a community wide pest barrier for both bees and carpenter ants. These pests pose a threat to people and structure. The exterminator uses an organic product of concentrated Chrysanthemum Oil for this treatment. The product is organic and non-toxic to people and pets. The product will be applied around the eaves to deter bees. (You may wish to have your windows cleaned after this application is applied.) The product is also applied around the perimeter of the foundation to deter carpenter ants. (Please stay inside until the product has dried, about 30 minutes, on treatment day.) Both treatments are guaranteed for six months. If any nests are found after the treatment date, the exterminator will re-treat at no additional cost.

Landscaping Services - A Summary of What to Expect

Plow Repairs—The plowing contractor has already completed lawn repairs. Sod clumps have been put back into place. Soil and seed were applied to areas damaged during plowing.

Spring Cleanup—This service was completed by G. J. Romig in late April. Mowing will soon commence, on a weekly basis.

Shrub Care—An inspection of shrubs will be conducted by G. J. Romig. The Association is responsible for maintaining all plantings, except those in beds against the rear foundation wall. Homeowners may call Crofton with concerns regarding specific shrubs to have them addressed as needed. Plantings installed in rear foundation beds should be cared for by the homeowner.

Bed Edging and Mulch Installation – This service is provided by G. J. Romig. All Association beds and tree rings have been edged. This is done once a year to define the beds for mowing. Beds have been cultivated or mulched as appropriate during edging. We find this to be an effective use of both the contractor's time and the Association's money.

Shrub Pruning – G.J. Romig will perform weekly shrub pruning throughout the season, with a focus on shaping and rejuvenating the plantings

Refuse Delays—Garbage collection will be delayed from Thursday to Friday in observance of Memorial Day, 4th of July, and Labor Day holidays.

All the Association's services and events are posted on the Crofton Perdue Website.

Please browse to: www.croftoninc.com/wood-creek

This webpage is a handy reference for homeowners. We encourage you to visit frequently for real time updates of the scheduled services listed above. You can also find further detail about chemical applications and other documents specific to your community posted here.

Submitted by Tarrah Owen, Crofton Perdue Associates, May 2017



LADIES' NIGHT OUT!

Greetings, Ladies of Wood Creek!

It's been almost three years since our last Ladies Night Out (LNO) in June 2014, so how about joining your Wood Creek neighbors for another ladies-only event? It would offer a wonderful opportunity to connect with long-time neighbors and meet many of the newer members, too! I'm looking at dates in mid-June (tbd) at a local restaurant (also tbd) which would offer the group individual menu ordering and checks, instead of selected menu items on one group check to try to evenly divide among the participants. Before proceeding any further, I need to have a *general* idea of how many ladies may be interested in the event.

Please e-mail me (jrlges@rit.edu) directly before Friday, May 19th and let me know whether or not you have a general interest in joining the group for such an outing. Based upon your responses, more details to follow!

Thank you...hope to see many of you at the proposed LNO in June!

Jody Lehr Waite
159 Wood Creek

Spring Fling

Each year we have been getting fewer and fewer attendees at our Christmas Party. The reason most members give for not attending was prior parties or other Christmas commitments.

A couple months ago, I called Vicki Hoyt to tell her I couldn't chair the Christmas party this year. Unfortunately, Vicki is also unable to chair it. However, Vicki had a great idea that we forget the Christmas Party and instead have a Spring Fling either at the end of April or the first Sunday in May.

I sent an e-mail to the members of the Social Committee asking either for someone to commit to chairing the Christmas Party or if they would rather have a Spring Fling. Unanimously, everyone who answered my e-mail was in favor of the Spring Fling. Rest assured that we will still be having our Annual Picnic in September.

It has not been decided yet what the food or theme of the Fling will be. Nor have we decided who will chair it but everyone on the committee has offered to help so I don't foresee any problems. I cannot give you a firm date for our Spring Fling because we must wait until the bidding opens in October to make the reservation for Kings Bend Park, but I will be there the day it opens to put in our bid.

Our hope is that after being cooped up in the house all winter, our members will be anxious to get together with their neighbors for some fun, laughs, conversation and to catch up on all the news.

Sandra Marin
40 Creek Ridge



DID YOU KNOW???

"PROPERTIES FOR SALE". If you have plans to put your unit up for sale, and would like it posted on our website and here in the Newsletter, just let Ginny Quinn (ginny.quinn5@gmail.com or 381-7412) know. Only your address and contact information or that of your realtor will be listed.

VARIANCE FORM. Did you know there is a new form that should be used when applying for a variance? The form is available from Tarrah at Crofton and on both the Crofton & Wood Creek websites.

WALKING GROUP. Wood Creek Residents: Join us on Wednesday mornings at 9:00 am to walk and chat for an hour or so. There are currently 6-8 of us who get together to walk around the neighborhood or to the Village or the Highlands or the Canal. We meet at the corner of Creek Ridge and Wood Creek, near #2 CR. We'd love to see you there – no need to sign up, just come if you can!

Please be careful when driving and stop fully at the neighborhood intersections. There have been some close calls when cars have pulled out of lower Creek Ridge onto Wood Creek Drive. The addition of a Stop Sign is being considered by the Board.



WOOD CREEK WEBSITE UPDATES

- ❖ If you are interested in gaining access to the Residents Only portion of the website, please email Ginny at ginny.quinn5@gmail.com.
- ❖ You may sign up to receive automatic notifications of changes to the web pages by going to the Association web address (www.woodcreekhoa.org) and going to the bottom of the Home Page. There you will find a box like this. Just enter your email and click OK.

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- ❖ FYI, Board meeting minutes are posted on the WC website one month after the monthly meeting. That is because the Board needs to vote to approve the previous month's minutes before they can be posted.

PITTSFORD SCHOOLS 2017-2018 BUDGET VOTE

Tuesday, May 16

7 am – 9 pm

Barker Road Middle School Gymnasium