Issue 174

Wexford Watch

Wexford Village Homes Association, Inc.

Wexford Village Directory Update

A neighborhood directory has not been published for a number of years. Residents received a form to update their information with the mailing of dues notices in December. The board was notified that much of the information was incorrect. The board is currently working on cleaning up the database and creating a process to keep information organized in the future. Anticipated publication date is summer 2015.

Wexford Village Website Update

The Wexford Village website has not been maintained for a number of years. The board is working with a website savvy resident to update the site and create a process for keeping the site maintained. The updated website should be available summer 2015. Thanks go to Robert Behrens for his help revising the site.

Spring Cleaning

As you're maintaining your yard this summer, note the city yard waste pick up times on the streets website:

http://www.cityofmadison.com/streets/

Yard waste drop-off sites are now open 7 days a week from 8:30-4:30 and until 8pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Please, do not leave your lawn and brush clippings on Wexford owned property. This

Board Meeting

Wexford Village Homes Association board meets at 7 pm the first Tuesday of every month (except December and July) in the High Point Church. We donate \$150 to the church for letting us use their space. All homeowners are welcome to attend.

Board Seeks Secretary

The Wexford Village Homes Association is seeking a volunteer to perform the duties of secretary. Responsibilities include attending the monthly board meeting and recording the minutes. All board positions are volunteer. If you are interested in being an active member on the board and helping shape Wexford Village, contact Dick Ihlenfeld (rwi@chorus.net)

Stricker Pond Dredging

This past spring, the City of Madison and City of Middleton worked together to dredge part of Stricker Pond on Longmeadow Rd to maintain the water holding capacity of the pond.

Art Cart

The Art Cart will be at Wexford Park on Thursday, June 18 from 1-4pm and Wednesday, August 12 from 5-7:30pm. The Art Cart is a free, traveling art program that provides can damage the grass and make it difficult for contractors to mow.

Mowing and Lawncare

Wexford Village Homes Association has extended our contract with Barnes for mowing and TruGreen for weed control/fertilization. We've used these companies for many years, and the association is currently in its second year of a two-year contract with TruGreen. These companies give our association a discount for paying for the whole year in advance.

Recent Wexford Events

The annual Easter Egg Hunt was on April 4. Thanks go to Stephanie and Dave Farnia for organizing and hosting the event.

The annual Wexford Park Clean-up Day was April 25. Thanks to the 12 residents who helped and to Ken Schmidt for supplying treats. This group gathered and removed 8 garbage bags of garlic mustard and trash. They also raked up several large piles of leaves and removed a lot of buckthorn trees from the woods. There is still a lot of garlic mustard and it would be greatly appreciated for any help in pulling it out over the next couple of weeks before it goes to seed. It can be bagged and placed by the barrows at the shelter for pickup.

The annual Garage Sale was May 8-9. Thanks go to Dick Ihlenfeld for organizing the sellers and publicizing the event.

July 4th Parade and End of Summer Party

creative, outdoor art-making experiences to children ages 3+ and their families. Activities include both group and individual projects, with a variety of materials.

Architectural Review

If you're changing the footprint of your house, the Wexford covenants state you must seek approval from the board before beginning the project. These changes include, but are not limited to, adding additions, etc. This covenant in place to ensure a cohesive look throughout Wexford.

Car Chase and Arrest

Many Wexford Village residents witnessed Middleton and Madison police pursuing a robbery suspect in the neighborhood on Sunday, May 31. The suspect was safely arrested after crashing his car and then hiding from police in Tiedemann's Pond. For more details, you can visit the Middleton Police Department page here: https://local.nixle.com/alert/5424241/.

Ash Trees

The City of Madison Parks assessed the trees in Wexford Park and identified 28 ash trees. After the trees leaf out, the city will determine which ones are potentially worth treating. The board will then work with the city to split the cost of treating and saving the trees. The city's policy is to cut down ash trees, but they have agreed to work with the board to potentially save some of the trees. The annual Independence Day cookout and parade will be Saturday, July 4. Parade starts at 10am on Sawmill and ends at the Wexford Park pavilion. Decorate your bike, trike, skateboard, or stroller, and line up by 9:45 to participate. Volunteers are needed to serve food and help with games. If interested, contact Dick Ihlenfeld (<u>rwi@chorus.net</u>)

For the second year, an end of the summer party will be held at Wexford Park on Saturday, September 5 from 5-9pm. Last year, over 175 people of all ages enjoyed an evening together grilling burgers, roasting marshmallows, and sharing favorite potluck dishes. This year, the neighborhood association will be providing beef and veggie burgers. More information on this event will be available closer to the date.

If you want to lead a game, play a musical instrument around the campfire or help out in any other way, contact Monica Bear at <u>claybear@chorus.net</u>or Lisa Hofmeister at <u>lrhofmeister@gmail.com</u>.

- Join the Wexford Village Neighbors page on <u>Facebook</u>. This page is not maintained by the board.
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