



The WOODS Watch

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Summary of Monthly Board Meeting and Other Neighborhood Happenings November 2005
This summary of topics discussed and other news, prepared by Tom Newbould, President.

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Email addresses @ www.WoodsOfStrongsville.com ~ Contact any Trustee with your questions and concerns.

2006 Budget and Dues Assesment Approved

The 2006 Woods Annual Budget and Dues Assesment was approved by the Board at the November meeting. The largest expense the neighbor incures is the Landscaping and Maintanace of the common property. We are in the second year of a very well negotiated two year contract. Even with cost increases in fuel, equipment, etc... we are locked into our negotiated contact amount, so those fixed expnses will not increase. However, some expenses will increase for 2006 – our real estate taxes, insurance, postage, and electic bills, while we also need to stain the gazebo and shed, which is a larger expense that we only have every few years. Taking all of those factors into consideration, along with looking at where we can trim the budget, we are pleased to announce that the 2006 Dues will be held at the 2005 level of \$165.00. Look for your copy of the budget, along with your 2006 Assement Bill during the last week of December. To avoid a late fee, those dues have to be paid by January 31st.

The Halloween Party was a Screeeem

A cold and wet Saturday morning did not stop nearly 40 neighborhood kids from participating in the annual Woods Halloween party. Everyone stayed under the big tent and enjoyed a Clown Magic Show, Balloon Twisting, getting a sketch of themselves from a caricature artist, temporary tattoos, and of course, getting a goodie bad. Thanks so much to Danell Durica and all of her helpers who put on such a wonderful event.



Kids Christmas Holiday Party LAST CHANCE FOR SOMEONE TO HELP!!!

We are looking for someone to step forward and volunteer to head up the Kids Holiday Party. Kinsner School is reserved for Thursday – December 15th. (The city is using the school for Basketball practice every Friday night – so the party this year had to be moved to a Thursday) *There are a number of folks who are willing to help out at the party; we need one person to be the leader.* I have hosted this party the last few years, and will assist if someone will step up – you still have plenty of time to pull it together. We have a nice budget of money for the event. If you are willing to give a little bit of time for this very popular event, please give me a call at 572-3715.



Snow Shovelers...

Well, it has arrived- WINTER!!! If you looking for some neighborhood kids to handle your snow shoving this year, or just for a one time snow fall, here are the youngsters from the neighborhood willing to be hired:

Adam Windnagel Caitlin and Allanna Segger
Derek and Cory Newbould

If you would like your name added to the snow shovelers list, send me an e-mail at president@woodsofstrongsville.com or leave a message at 216-556-0722.

Babysitting Service - Published again by request of many...

With the busy holiday season fast approaching, a few neighbors have asked that the Babysitter list get republished. Here you go.

Caitlin Seggar - 15 years old.

Adam Windnagel - 14 years old

Danielle Slogik - 13 years old

Andrew Jones - 15 years old

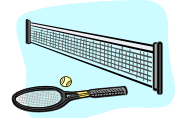
Kathlyn Kenning - 13 years old

Alanna Seggar - 13 years old

Alyssa Cook - 15 years old

Abby Pautz - 12 years old

Bobby Cook - 12 years old



Courts are Closed for the Winter

The Tennis and Basketball courts are closed and locked for the season. Your cooperation is appreciated, to please stay off the courts until next Spring. It is great to see the use that the courts are now getting, but in order to help preserve the very expensive surface, we need to keep folks off the area during the freezing weather.

Signs Available ~ Announce Your Event - Party - Sale - etc...

- City Ordinance prohibits notice/sign posting on street or traffic signs and poles
- WOODS has Dry-Erase signs to announce your event, party, sale, etc...
 - Signs can be cabled and locked in place
 - Colored pens, etc. provided

Call the WOODS hotline at 216-556-0722 if you would like to use the signs.



Architectural Review

Activity from September 13th to October 17th No new requests.

IF YOU ARE PLANNING ANY EXTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS OR MODIFICATIONS, YOU MUST SUBMIT PLANS TO ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW, BEFORE STARTING WORK or APPLYING FOR A CITY PERMIT.

Questions? Call the Woods Hot line at 216-556-0722.

This includes fences, mailboxes, all types of patios, decks, sheds, arbors, hot tubs, in-ground pools, spas....

You need to send a letter with your plans to the Woods PO Box or e-mail to Mike Galloway at

ArchitecturalReview@WoodsofStrongsville.com

The plans must include the following four items:

- 1. Outline with dimensions of the proposed structure drawn on a topographical map of your lot, showing placement within your property and proximity to other lots and structures.*
- 2. Bird's Eye View of the structure to show deck planking, walk pattern, etc..*
- 3. Profile View of the structure to show how it will look to a standing viewer.*
- 4. Type of Materials, Color and Finish of the structure.*



For most requests, the Board can give approval within a week, but for more complex, new types of projects, or if individual Board members have questions, it may have to be discussed at the next monthly Board meeting, (second Monday of each month) and may take several weeks for approval. Please plan accordingly.



A few other thoughts...

- We just moved our clocks, and the days are getting shorter - please make sure your Lamp Post is working.
- Because of the brutal windstorms that we suffered over the summer and fall, some homes around the neighborhood suffered siding, roofing and trim fascia damage. A few neighbors have called the Woods Hotline and ask that I once again publish the name of the company that I used for my repairs...American Roof, Gutter & Chimney Company (216) 228-6080 - and I was extremely pleased with the work they did. For only \$40.00, they replaced a number of shingles on different roof elevations and checked the roof for any other loose shingles and tacked those down. They claim they can perfectly match and repair any damaged siding or trim fascia for all of the homes in the neighborhood.
- Keep everyone who is protecting this Country in your thoughts and prayers.

**If you are new to the Woods of Strongsville, please give us a call at 216-556-0722
We want to welcome you and deliver a *Members Directory* and a *Members Guide*.**



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Next Regular Board Meeting – November 14 – Beef O’Brady’s – 8:30pm
All Neighbors are Welcome and Encouraged to Attend.