

SPRING NEWSLETTER

It's Spring!!! With temperatures starting to warm up, it's time to awake from the long winter and leave behind the cold winter struggles and have a fresh start to the season. This edition of the newsletter will highlight key projects for our community and fun filled events for all to part-take in. Let's make this season a new beginning together.

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Bob Garrison, Board Member 616.399.9612 Residents are welcome to attend the first 15 minutes of the monthly Board meeting to address the Board of Directors with any questions or concerns.

Meeting Date & Time: TBA, 6:00 p.m.

2024 Projects

This year Willow Woods will have a packed full season of projects and activities that will need everyones cooperation, participation, and patience.

Here are some key projects planned for this year:

- 1. Association garage sale.
- 2. Front door painting.
- 3. Power washing.
- 4. Dryer vent cover replacement.
- 5. Door frame repair.
- 6. Continue roof replacements.
- 7. Sprinkler installation at the front entrances.
- 8. Ticks and ants spraying.
- 9. Front entrance planting bed makeover.
- 10. Spring/summer social.
- 11. Annual meeting.

Association Garage Sale

This year's Association garage sale is May 31st-June 1st, and September 6-7, 2024. If you wish to participate in the garage sale please let Shari Sjoerdsma know so we can promote the event to draw more attendees. Shari's phone number is 616.772.1006.

Front Door Painting

This year front doors will be painted for residents who request it. The color options were voted on by residents in the past annual meeting. These color options have been narrowed down to four for residents to choose from and will be posted on the bulletin board. Please contact us if you would like to have your front doors painted so we can have an accurate count. Painting will be this summer. More details will be announced as time gets closer.

Power washing

This year the Association will be power washing all the buildings. Back patios will not get washed but residents have the option to get that washed for \$30. Please let the Association know if you would like your back patio power washed and make a check payable to Willow Woods Condo Association and put "Power washing" in the memo line. Power washing will be in June. The dates will be announce as it gets closer.

Roof Replacements

This spring we had TNT Roofing come out and re-evaluate our roofs since it has been 6 years since they evaluated our roofs and conditions on the buildings have changed over time. This evaluation will help the Association know which buildings need to be done first each year. As of right now there are 17 buildings needing new roofs. At least 2 buildings are planned to get new roofs this year.

This year is also the last year for roof assessments. All buildings will get a new roof as we continue to replace them each year.

Front Entrance Sprinkler Installation & Community Planting Day

Both the north and south entrance planting beds will have sprinklers installed this month to get water to the flowers and plants by the signs. A planting redesign for the front entrances will be lead by our Board Member Denise Dykstra. We will have a volunteering planting day in May. The date and time will be announced after the next Board meeting. Please check the bulletin board and emails in a few weeks.

Ticks & Ants Spraying

This year the Association will again pay for tick and ant treatments. This will take place in June when the weather gets warmer. The dates will be posted on the bulletin board and landscaping calendar once it becomes available. These treatments are not required by the Association to provide but as a courtesy to our residents the Board has been offering it to the community. Most condo Associations do not include this service in their monthly dues.

Community Social

This year another fun social is planned for residents to enjoy. All are welcomed and encouraged to attend. We try to hold the event at different areas of the property so residents can discover the beauty that is all around us. The date, time, and theme will be announced by our social committee (Ruth Brown, Maggie Brenner, and Shari Sjoerdsma).

This Year's Maintenance & Up Keep

Every Spring there are a few things residents should include in there to do list around their condo. Please keep in mind:

1. Some dryer vent covers are broken or have pieces missing. Please check your outside dryer vents and report it to the Association so it could be replaced. Let the Association know by June 15, 2024, so we can add you to the list. Any covers not reported after this date will not be replaced and owners will have to pay for it at their expense.

- 2. Some front door frames and trims are falling apart. These will need to be repaired or replaced. Kai will be coming around to check these next month to make a list of which units will need repairs. Residents do not need to be home but if you have a storm door please keep that unlock so the front door is accessible.
- 3. Turn off all outdoor faucets or hook up a hose to the spigot first before turning on the water to the outside faucets. This will prevent water from continuously run. Some residents in the past forgot the outside faucet was left opened and water was running all night.
- 4. Please make all landscaping request to the Association and not directly to the landscapers.
- 5. If you wish to have a bush removed please let the association know what will be put in its place. This will be done at the resident's expense.
- 6. The debris trailer will be here until June. Please put only yard clipping in the trailer and no plastic or containers.
- 7. All repair requests will be evaluated and the proper vendor will be contacted to do the work. Your patience is needed as contractors have to work us into their schedule.

Landscaping Maintenance

This year will be a busy year for landscaping. Mowing will be on Tuesday. All landscaping projects are weather dependent since it is outdoors. The landscaping calendar will be put up every month but everything will get push back a day if weather prevents work from getting done.

Spring cleanup is done. Sprinkler start up will be this month. Pruning will be in June. Residents will be informed when to mark their plants if they do not want them pruned.

As reminder bark will not be install this year. Bark is applied every other year. We had bark applied last year so this year residents that want bark applied to their planting beds may do so at their own expense. We ask that the bark be dark brown to match with the existing color.

As a reminder please pick up after your pets around your property if you let them out to go in the yard. Units that do not pick up after their pets will not get mowed and it will be the owners responsibility to mow it themselves.

Special Thank yous

Please join us in thanking James Sandwick and Steve Sjoerdsma for their hard work. This Spring James Sandwick crafted 92 new address signs and Steve Sjoerdsma worked with James to remove and put up 92 signs throughout the

Association.



The new signs are more legible, maintenance free, and a total improvement that is much needed from the old existing wooden signs. Thank you James for using your gifts and talents of wood working to save the association a huge expense. Thank you Steve for your continuing efforts to help improve the community.

The signs are very appreciated by our residents and several have complemented on how wonderful they look.

We have new residents move to Willow Woods on a regular basis. Each new member is made welcomed by Patricia Bartlett. Patricia is our welcome hostess. If you are not a new resident you probably haven't seen the wonderful baskets and the love she puts into making each one. Below are baskets Patricia has made for new residents. Please thank Patricia, for welcoming new residents to Willow Woods.







Safety Reminders

There have been a few incidences the past few months that residents reported. Reports of strangers following them or being on their property. We ask residents to be vigilant going out when it is dark. If you notice someone is following you or anything suspicious call 911 while the person is on site.

Take down descriptions, license plate number, and photos on your cell phone to give to the sheriff. The sheriff can not do much if they are called after the stranger leaves the premises.

• Please observe our speed limit as we have several residents out walking as the weather gets warmer. Please remind guests to do so as well.



Our New Members

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