QUARRY WOODS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

APRIL 2024 NEWSLETTER

WELCOME SPRING TO QUARRY WOODS !!

I think we are all very excited that spring is upon us. There are signs all around us of people cleaning up their yards, fertilizing their lawns, planting trees and flowers, cleaning out our garages, washing windows, and more of our neighbors are spending time outside as well. Please take time to introduce yourselves to neighbors as they walk by your homes or you walk by their homes. This nice weather gives all of us an opportunity to meet each other after a long time inside our homes.

As you are driving around Quarry Woods you will notice that a lot of the lots have been sold. In the next newsletter I will try to get more information regarding our new neighbors that are either building or moving in.

CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR PET SIGNS:

The "Pick up after your dog signs" have arrived. One will replace the faded sign that is already on the walking path and the other two signs will be strategically placed. I am looking for ideas as to where to put the other two signs. Give me a call or send me an email if you have any ideas. And just a reminder, the City of St. Cloud has a leash law. Thanks.

RESIDENT CONTACT LIST:

The new resident contact list has now been sent out by David Miller. We delayed issuing this in order to add new owners who will soon be making their homes in Quarry Woods. Thank you, David.

FIRE HYDRANTS:

We have had no luck with getting the hydrants in our neighborhood repainted anytime soon. This is a work in progress. The city has told me that this is not in their budget, and has not been for the last four years. These old discolored hydrants have not been painted since they were installed. I will continue to try to figure out a way to get this task accomplished.

THANK YOU TO JIM, JEREMY, CRAIG, AND TOM:

A big thank you to **Jim Dahl** for clearing away the large broken trees and the damaged brush off of 26th Avenue South where a person lost control of their car and ran down that embankment. Thank you, Jim, for getting all of those trees and brush out of there and to the compost.

Also, thanks to Jim Dahl for getting rid of the weeds in the 26th Street South entrance. Thanks again, Jim.

And thanks also to **Jeremy Thompson** who kept the AED open this winter when it snowed. This is very important and Jeremy was very diligent about getting this done.

And a big thank you also to **Craig Heurung** and **Tom Henning** for cutting down and hauling away the ornamental grass at the entrance on 26th Avenue South. It looks great!!! Thanks to both Craig and Tom. Craig also cut away a lot of the brush at the entrance on 34th Street South. This makes that entrance a lot safer. Thank you, Craig!

Quarry Woods Homeowners Annual Picnic:

A reminder again to mark your calendars for our HOA Annual Summer Picnic. It will be held on Thursday, July 25th, at the Hidden Lake Shelter in St. Augusta. It will begin at 5:00. This event is free to all HOA members and their families. It will be catered by Mark Larson of Creative Catering. Come and meet your neighbors, new and existing ones. As we get closer to the event there will be a need to do a RSVP. Bill and Janice Gans will be planning the picnic again this year.

IMPORTANT REMINDER:

Please remember to call 811 when digging on your property.

CITY STREET PARKING RULES:

Street parking rules are controlled by the City of St. Cloud. This applies to vehicles, trailers, campers, etc. It's regarding how long one can park on a city street. I checked with the Mayor's Office and the rule is that a period of about 24 hours is the standard they use for vehicles being parked on the street. If you are concerned about a violation of this City ordinance you can call the St. Cloud Parking Authority at 320 255 7209 and they will check it out.

UPDATE ON MORE LIGHTING AND ELECTRICAL POWER AT 26TH AVENUE SOUTH ENTRANCE:

Jim Dahl continues to work on getting more electrical power and possibly better lighting at the entrance of 26th Avenue South. He is working with both the City and X Cel and there will be more information forthcoming.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE:

Please remember to always check with Murray Mack, the Chair of the ARC, and with Denny Niess of the ARC when building sheds, fences, structural changes, land alterations, or outbuildings before moving forward.

34TH STREET WEST ENTRANCE:

Preliminary schematics have been developed by Murray Mack for this entrance. This may involve the quarry owners (Granite, Inc.) which may possibly require a variance and may also involve both the City and County. More information will be forthcoming.

OTHER REMINDERS:

Take time to ensure that your sidewalks are clear of debris. Avoid parking trailers, placing construction supplies, portable toilets, and dumpsters that impede sidewalks. This will be even more important as several new homes will be built in Quarry Woods this spring and summer. Please also note that the city requires that you/your contractors clean up sidewalks and streets if you or they drag mud and debris onto them. Please also remember to bring in or conceal your trash/recycling containers after they are emptied.

ADOPT A DRAIN:

The city offers an "Adopt a Drain" program that you can sign up for, and then monitor a drain or drains by periodically cleaning out the debris. It would be great to have all of our drains monitored by our neighbors. If interested please check out <u>info@adopt-a-drain.org</u>. Please consider adopting a drain or two. If you see a concern with a drain not functioning, please contact the city.

HOA QUARRY WOODS WEBSITE: Please continue to review our website. It has new and ongoing information. <u>www.quarrywoodshoa.com</u>

Again, if you have any concerns, questions, or comments please feel free to contact me.

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