

Quarry Woods Homeowner's Association

March 2025 Communication

NEW Board and Treasurer

Greetings to our neighbors!

In March a vote was held to determine a new board for Quarry Woods Homeowners Association. My name is Curt Nesse, and I am honored to be your new Quarry Woods HOA president. Gina Malum is our new Vice-President, and Murray Mack is Secretary. Two additional members were also voted in and will assume their responsibilities if the neighborhood votes to expand the board to five members. They are Karen Henning and Rory Michaelis. Congratulations to everyone on the new board! After nine years of serving our community as Treasurer, David Miller is handing the reins to Mark Steigerwald. David will be working with Mark over the next few weeks to transition those duties. David, thank you for all your hard work over the years and welcome to Mark. Please reach out to any of us if you have concerns or questions. We look forward to working with all of you to make this the best neighborhood in Saint Cloud.

26TH AVENUE SOUTH ENHANCED LIGHTING:

Enhanced lighting on two corners of the 26th Ave South entrance is finished. Thank you to Jim Dahl for spearheading this project. As you will recall, the cost of adding lights on each side of the entrance was \$8,918.78. It was approved by the Board and paid for out of the 2024 budget. The vote to allow an additional cost to the residents' utility bills of \$2.40 every other month was passed by our members. Out of 132 lots, 70 residents voted yes, 1 voted no, and the remainder abstained from the increase in their utility bills. This increase in the utility bill will also cover enhanced lighting for any future plans including 34th and 36th street entrances.

36TH STREET SOUTH ENTRANCE PROJECT:

The project to mark the 36th Street entrance to our neighborhood is also nearly complete! Granite rocks of various sizes are surrounding more granite boulders and a great way to mark the entrance to this former granite quarry. The metal letters spelling out Quarry Woods have now been added to the boulders. Various drought resistant grasses and accent lighting will be added this spring. Thanks to Craig Heuring and Murray Mack for spearheading this project. Jim Dahl will continue to work on enhanced lighting for this intersection as he did for the 26th Street entrance.

34TH STREET SOUTH ENTRANCE PROJECT:

This entrance enhancement is in the infant stages at this time, and will tentatively be worked on in 2025. An easement and new legal description will be needed to begin this project. Murray Mack has drawn up a design for this entrance and it will replicate the entrance on 36th Street. Better lighting is also hoped for at this entrance. We will be getting cost factors for this project before it is approved.

TREES WERE PLANTED!

Twelve Sienna Glen maple trees were planted last Fall. After safe locators were identified with the help of Murray Mack, four trees were planted on 26th Avenue South, four on 34th Street South, and four on 36th Street South. This was done with great thanks to Craig Heuring, Jim Dahl, and Steven Hartkopf. A group of residents have signed up for the job of assuring that the trees have been getting watered. Thanks to Jim Dahl, Craig Heuring, Steven Hartkopf, and Murray Mack for getting these 12 new trees watered.

KEYS FOR NEW RESIDENTS OF THE COMBINED MAILBOXES ON 36TH STREET SOUTH:

Craig Heurung, who lives on 36th Street South, has volunteered to be the facilitator of handing out keys for new residents as they move into that area. Thank you, Craig, for taking on this task.

RESPECT FOR NEW HOME CONSTRUCTION:

It was brought to my attention from several contractors that people have been walking through new homes during various stages of construction. This past year, as many of you are aware, there was both property damage and theft of materials and tools perpetrated by non-residents at some of the new home sites. There is also a concern about potential injury while walking through a partially constructed home. I know we are all curious to see the amazing new homes being added to our neighborhood (myself included), but it's in our best interest to not give in to our own curiosity. So please avoid the urge to walk through the new homes under construction!

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE:

Please remember to always check with Murray Mack, the chair of the ARC, when building fences, sheds, structural changes, land alterations, or outbuildings before moving forward. Murray can be reached at 320- 249-1197 or via email at mamack9@charter.net. Other members of the ARC committee consist of Jim Dahl, Denny Niess, Dennis Host and Brian Fritz. This committee has no set terms of office and can be joined by anyone.

RESPECT OF POLITICAL SIGNS AND PROPERTY:

It is the right of every citizen to express their political beliefs through freedom of speech, which includes signs. Please respect everyone's right to have political signs which reflect their political beliefs. The state of Minnesota states that political signs may be posted 46 days prior to a primary election, and up to 10 days after the general election. The city of St. Cloud itself has other specific guidelines for local elections.

STORAGE OF GARBAGE RECEPTACLES:

City garbage receptacles are to be stored out of sight from the street except on pick-up days.

BOULEVARD AND LOT MOWINGS:

Thanks to Jeremy Thompson for keeping our entrance ways, the walking path, some of the boulevards and also some lots mowed. Great job and big thanks to Jeremy for helping make Quarry Woods look so nice in the summer months.

With winter coming to an end, the mowing season will soon begin. The city of St. Cloud did repeal the "NO MOW MAY" ordinance in August 2024. St. Cloud dictates that grass can't grow any longer than 10 inches before it needs to be cut. If you want to report a lot not in compliance, you can call the Health and Inspection Department of St. Cloud at 320-255-7215. Contractors and lot owners who have not yet broken ground on their property must also be in compliance.

PARKING OF TRAILERS, RVs, BOATS, ETC. ON CITY STREETS:

Street parking rules are controlled by the City of St. Cloud. This applies to cars parked on a city street. Checking with the Mayor's Office the rule is that a period of 24 hours is the standard they use for vehicles parked on the street. If someone is concerned about a violation of this City ordinance you can call the St Cloud Parking Authority at 320-255 7209 and they will check out your concern.

CALL 811 WHEN DIGGING:

Reminder to call 811 when digging on your property.

LEASH LAW AND LOUD CONSISTENT BARKING:

Please remember that there is a city leash law as well as an ordinance against loud and consistent barking. If you are having a problem with either of these issues please feel free to call

320-650-3164. The city recommends taking a photo of the dog off leash.

CLEAR SIDEWALKS:

Please remember to ensure that your sidewalks are clear of debris. Avoid parking trailers, placing construction supplies, portable toilets, and dumpsters that impede sidewalks. This is very important especially with all the new and ongoing construction going on in Quarry Woods.

ADOPT A DRAIN PROGRAM:

The City offers an Adopt a Drain Program where you can sign up for and then monitor a drain or drains periodically cleaning out the debris. It is a great idea and, if interested, check it out at info@adopt-a-drain.org. If you notice where a drain is not working please contact the City.

QUARRY WOODS WEBSITE:

Quarry Woods has its own web site. Please check it out for some great information about our community. It has both new and ongoing information. www.quarrywoodshoa.com. Thanks to Dennis Host for his ongoing work on updating our web site and getting out new information. Be aware that there are two Quarry Woods websites. One is for our HOA community , and the other is Christy Kowalzek's realtor site that she uses to promote our development.

COMMON AREA OUTLOTS D AND G:

Board discussions are ongoing and options are being formulated for HOA consideration. Updates will be provided soon. Thanks for your patience regarding this issue.

LEGAL AND INSURANCE CONTACTS:

The HOA attorney is asking that inquiries and questions to his office are initiated only through the board. The same is true for the insurance company.

QUARRY WOODS HOA ANNUAL PICNIC:

The Quarry Woods Homeowners Association annual picnic is scheduled for **Thursday, July 31st. It will be held again at the Hidden Lake Shelter in St. Augusta. It will begin at 5:00 and dinner will be served at 5:30.** It will be catered this year by the Short Stop Restaurant and they will serve chicken, two salads, baked beans, a relish tray, and rolls and butter. The picnic organizers, Bill and Jan Gans, will be providing drinks and dessert. All residents are invited to attend and it is free, compliments of the Quarry Woods Homeowners Association. An RSVP will be coming later so that we can give a count to Short Stop.

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