



NEWSLETTER

Fall/Winter 2024 Edition

As we transition from an outstanding fall season into winter it marks an end and a new beginning. And while we continue on, we are thankful for our community and friends here at Willow Woods who are with us today. Even though we are reluctant to see fall come to close it is natural to resist change. As a new season begins we can look forward to the holidays filled with joy, love, and laughter surrounded by friends and family. As the new year approaches we have some exciting social events planned for 2025.

A Look Back On 2024

This year was filled with projects and events that were accomplished planned and unplanned. We completed roofing on four new buildings. Sprinklers were installed by both front entrances to water the plants by the signs. Several garage doors broke and needed replacing. Our annual summer social was well attended. We have had eight new residents move in to our lovely Willow Woods Condo Association community. This year was our first time hosting a volunteer appreciation night for all the volunteers in our community who give of their time and talents to make Willow Woods a wonderful place to call home. The event was sponsored by Prodesign Landscaping Services. The Board wanted to recognize these volunteers for their contribution and say, "Thank you. Your time and dedication never go unnoticed."

We will continue to make this as an annual social event for our volunteers.

Budget Update

Our Treasurer and Board President Rick DeVree have sat down and come up with the budget for 2025. This will be sent out to residents in January. There is a slight change this year. For over four years Willow Woods Association is the only Association in the area that has been fortunate enough to not have Association dues increase. Our volunteers, active Board members, and having a Property Manager help maintain the property as opposed to having a property management company. We were able to keep our dues where it was but with the inflation over the past three years Willow Woods needs to keep up with the cost of bills and labor from our contractors and vendors.

As of January 1st, 2025, the monthly dues will be increased by \$35.00. The new dues starting January 1st will be \$275 a month.

The Board understands this is a big increase but is something that is needed to keep our community thriving. The positive side to this is that the roof assessment ends this year.

- Roof Assessment payments are due December 31st, 2024.

Seasonal Friendly Reminders

With the fall season behind us, there are a few seasonal reminders to be aware of. Below is the list of them:

- Please put summer decorations and hanging ornaments away.
- Obey the speed limit, as it gets dark earlier and the pavement can be wet making difficult to stop. A great idea for safety is to wear a reflective vest or jacket, especially if you are walking in the dark.
- Shut off the water to your outdoor faucet. Please let the Association know if you need help with this.
- Let the Association know if you will be gone for the winter. The Association needs to have an emergency contact name and phone number of the person who has a key to your unit.
- If your vehicle is parked in the driveway outside overnight, your driveway will not get plowed, if it snows.
- Keep your front steps clear and prepared for the winter weather.
- Christmas decorations may be put up anytime after Thanksgiving, and must be taken down January 15th.

Sidewalk Salting

This year Prodesign will again be offering sidewalk salting for any residents that would like to have their sidewalk salted every time they come out to plow. This cost is \$30 for the entire season and it is only when they come to plow and shovel when it snows two inches or more. Please let us know by calling, emailing or drop a note in the Association box with a check made out to Prodesign Landscaping Services by December 8, 2024.

Repair Requests

- Please make any requests to the Association, for any exterior repairs, that need to be done. Requests can be made by email, in writing and dropped off in the WWCA box in the north entrance, called in, or text to the Association number (616) 546-0632. Request forms can be found at this link https://img1.wsimg.com/blobby/go/934459ca-abb0-497a-bc11-61f6412d25f3/downloads/repair_request.pdf?ver=1723259952430. Residents are responsible for any repairs, not requested through the Association.



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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:

Location:

155 Riley Street
Holland, MI 49424
TBA, 6:00 p.m.

Recipe Corner

Do you have a favorite recipe that you would like to share with other residents? Please submit it to us and we will put it in the next newsletter.

Reindeer Food Recipe shared by Marcia Vandenbrink

3 cups salted pretzels 2 cups Bugles

2 cups Fritos

1 cup Chex mix

1 cup roasted peanuts

1 1/2 cup Christmas M&Ms

1 pack white chocolate bark or melting chocolate

- In a large bowl, mix the above ingredients, except the chocolate bark.
- Melt the chocolate bark in microwave for 90 seconds, stopping and stirring, every 15 seconds.
- Drizzle the melted chocolate over the mixture in the bowl. Once everything is fully coated, spread the mixture on a large cookie sheet, and allow to cool completely. Once cooled, break into pieces.

Store in an airtight container, and share with your neighbors!

