



NEWSLETTER

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COMMUNICATION: Currently, the Board does not have the ability to send e-notifications, so we are trying another approach: **www.nextdoor.com** . Please join our private group -- only Woodlands South subdivision residents can be members of the group. Through this space, each of us can share information with or ask questions of our neighbors (for example: looking for a baby-sitter, a dog-sitter, recommended contractor; organizing garage sales, etc.). If anyone would like to administrate this site, please contact a Board member. **Please note: HOA-related issues for the Board should be fielded through the www.thewoodlandssouth.com feedback form.**

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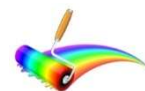
HOMEOWNERS ANNUAL MEETING: The 2020 annual meeting was to take place on April 29, but will be rescheduled because of the COVID Stay-at-Home order. Information will be forthcoming.

SPRING CLEANING: There will not be an organized Commons area cleanup this Spring. Please feel free to pick up trash (wearing gloves) as a productive activity. Your effort would be appreciated by all!

BOULEVARD TREES: If necessary, and as soon as you are able, please trim your boulevard tree branches higher than 9' above the sidewalk and street. This is important so that pedestrians and bicyclists can use the sidewalks safely, and delivery trucks and mail carriers can drive by without contacting tree limbs and or branches.

FENCES of any kind **are not permitted on any Lot** unless approved by the ACC for the sole purpose of protecting a pool.

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE (ACC): Modifications to your home's exterior must be approved by the ACC. Deck skirts, brick pavers, stamped concrete, hot tubs, landscape walls, and the use of paint that is a non-Pulte palette exterior color are some examples of changes that must be approved. Please consult our website for help or more information.



STREET PARKING should be temporary, and must follow posted signage. It is not permitted on the fire-lane side of the street.

Our bylaws are posted on www.thewoodlandssouth.com

TRASH CANS should be stored inside your garage. Bins may be placed at the end of your driveway starting 6:30 pm the night before trash collection. Please read bylaws if you have any questions.

MAILBOXES: Your mailbox is your responsibility. It will last longer and continue to look nice by applying a coat of wax on it yearly. *Eagle One Superior Nanowax* is a recommended product. If mailboxes and stands need paint touch-up, please use matte black spray paint.



The HOA paid for mailbox painting last summer, and has budgeted for sub-wide mailbox and stand replacement every ten years or so, but you are responsible for your box and stand until then. If you need help with mailbox maintenance, please call “Mailboxes by Bob” 248.496.4990.

REMINDER: please do not dump yard waste into retention ponds or any storm drain. Our homeowner association spends a lot of money paying different companies to clear debris and growth from the drainage system and water retention areas to maintain proper water flow.

SIDEWALK SAFETY: Along with snow clearing, *homeowners are responsible for the upkeep of sidewalks and cuts within their property lines*. Repairs must be made by the homeowner to severely cracked, crumbled, non-level or deformed sidewalks and concrete cuts (also referred to as sidewalk ramps). Differences in sidewalk levels greater than ¼” present a serious trip hazard and must be fixed. Replacing failed concrete with new concrete, or sawing elevated sections is acceptable.

Examples of failed concrete that must be repaired or replaced:



AMAZING NEIGHBORS: Our pedestrian bridge along Sheldon Road suffered vandalism late March. Many of the side rails were kicked out and left in the water and muck below. John and Alec Woodman, Eric Frech and Mike Romanowski volunteered their time and talent to repair the damage. THANK YOU JOHN, ALEC, ERIC & MIKE!

Examples of the damage:



During repair:



After Repair:



MORE DAMAGE: Recent high winds caused a large branch to snap off a tree on the south side of Oak Forest, on common property. Again, John Woodman volunteered his time to clean up the mess saving all homeowners the expense of hiring this project out. THANK YOU JOHN!

