

Springing Ahead, or Falling Behind?: time to clean up. **Durn Trespassers:** someone's driving on our lawn. **Shackin' Up:** shed no tears for shed. **Heads Up:** inevitable events. **Party on the Block:** will we have *any* group events?

SPRINGING AHEAD, OR FALLING BEHIND?

Well, the snow's finally gone — except for a few black piles on the edges of some parking lots — the ground is sort of dry, and the semi-annual curiosity known as “Daylight Saving Time” is in effect; all of which means that the time is here for a bit of yard clean-up.

A few items to check:

- Your mailbox. Is it the upright citizen that it ought to be? Or is it on a bender, having been plowed all winter? The City of McHenry will deny any responsibility for damage that is caused by snowplows; and if the Postal Service carrier doesn't think that the condition of your box isn't good enough, you'll be picking up your mail on Crystal Lake Road until your mailbox is useable.
- Bush trash. The winter winds often blow newspapers and plastic bags into the wooded areas, and we've got a lot of those. Please check your property for these stray bits of garbage.
- Home siding and roofing. Those aforementioned winds may have removed a piece or two of your castle, leaving areas exposed to the weather. Now is a good time to walk around the exterior of your house and check for missing or damaged siding; and while you're enjoying a nice warm day, look for missing shingles on your roof.

Durn Trespassers

We have a “park” of sorts at the end of West Matanuska Trail. This area is Association property, and therefore private property, but we have received reports of ATVs being seen passing through that area.

At the January WPOA meeting, there was some discussion about allowing non-residents to use that “park”, but the presence of ATVs, off-road motorcycles, and snowmobiles is definitely not what we want. We may be posting “Private Property” signs in the park, if the abuse continues.

Shackin' Up

Also at the January meeting, the oft-mentioned topic of out-buildings was discussed. In conclusion, a majority of the WPOA members who attended the were against allowing such utility buildings. But any decision regarding outbuildings would be premature, as the Declaration of Covenants and Restrictions can't be changed until 2017.

Heads Up

The notices for Association dues will be sent to all members at the beginning of May; the dues

should be paid by June 30; if you have not paid by then, we'll send Guido to annoy you.

The City of McHenry Spring Brush pickup for the Woodcreek area is scheduled for the week of April 13. Please have your brush at the curb by 7:00 AM on the 13th; the exact day that your street will be serviced cannot be determined.

City of McHenry vehicles stickers for 2009 will also be available beginning May 1.

Party on the Block

And, as been discussed many times, the subject of community events was presented at the January meeting. Is *anyone* interested in a group party during the warmer months? Or will our only assembly be during the cold, cold month of January? Tell us!

Quarterly Meetings

The Board of Directors of the Woodcreek Property Owners Association holds its Quarterly Meeting on the third Tuesday of the first month in each calendar quarter. The meetings for 2009 will be held on: April 21 (at the home of Gerry Stueckemann, 6630 Hayward Court), July 21 (at the home of Bill Conley, 6614 Matanuska Trail), and October 20 (at the home of Jerry Hawkinson, 6515 Sycamore Court). The meetings begin at 7:00 PM.

Behind the Scenes

The Woodcreek Property Owners Association is *you*. We're just the volunteers who do the busy work.

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