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The Woodlake Community Association Newsletter March 2011

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Life On The Lake - The Best Is Yet To Come!

Annual Meeting April 26th

Woolridge Elementary School

The Annual Meeting of the Woodlake Community Association, Inc. will be held on April 26th at 7:00 p.m. at Woolridge Elementary School. All residents and property owners are invited and encouraged to attend. The 2011 Annual Meeting will be informative and fun! Beginning at 6:30, visit information booths, talk with your elected officials, and enjoy the complimentary food and drinks. Early arrivals will receive a gift bag that includes surprise items from local vendors, and some will contain door prizes such as free pontoon rentals, small boat rentals, Woodlake apparel, and gift certificates to area restaurants. The business portion of the meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.

The WCA is a non-profit, non-stock corporation, and every property owner is a shareholder in the corporation. Like all major corporations, the WCA holds an Annual Meeting which is open to all members.

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The design of the sign at Forest Wood was chosen for our new look. Lighting will be added for night visibility.

Landscape Plan Update

In January 2011, the Board of Directors approved the neighborhood sign design as seen on the Forest Wood prototype, with the addition of lighting for night-time visibility. Four lights will be installed at each neighborhood sign, two on each side. At their February 2011 meeting, the Board approved the neighborhood lighting design plans submitted by Designforum. The plans are to be submitted to the County and VDOT, and we hope to have approval on all necessary permits by the end of February and in hand by mid-March. Work will begin by running

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The Best Is Yet To Come

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The Annual Meeting is your chance to review the well-being of the corporation with your elected Board members. The value of your home is intrinsically tied to the health of the Association, and it is important that you monitor it. The Annual Meeting is a perfect opportunity for you to do that and to ask questions of your Board of Directors. If you are unable to attend but still have questions for the Board, please return your ballot to the office, and enclose the comment sheet. Many of the responses to questions asked of the Board during the annual meeting will be published in upcoming newsletters.

You will hear reports from your Board President and Treasurer, as well as from Chesterfield County officials. Just after the reports, residents will participate in a question and answer period with the Board and special guests. Invited special guests include our local and state government representatives. **Mark your calendar and plan to attend!**

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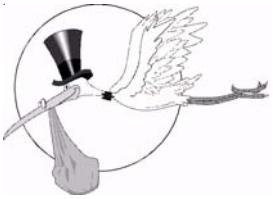

Michael Edward Joyner

6 pounds, 1 ounce
19½ inches
born February 12
to Community Manager
Julie Joyner, husband David
and big brother Henry

Landscape Plan

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power from each neighborhood street lamp under the road to the neighborhood entrance sign.

Once the lighting permits are obtained from the County and VDOT, all 53 neighborhood signs will be ordered. It will take approximately six weeks for the signs to be manufactured, but in the meantime, the contractor will begin installation of the lighting, so it will be ready as soon as the signs are installed.

At the Hull Street entrance, work may have appeared to have come to a halt as we await the completion of the caps on the brick walls. Landscaping and installation of permanent lighting have been delayed until this work is complete. As you may remember from previous updates, the contractor was not satisfied with the material that was originally planned for the wall caps, so they went back to the drawing board to find something more suitable. The contractor has now begun to mold and cast the top caps on the brick walls, and they should be completed by mid-March. Once this is complete, all lighting and landscaping around the walls can be completed. All of this work should be completed by the end of March. Completion of the walls has held up other phases of the project, but the end result and better fit will be worth the wait!

Stay tuned for more newsletter updates each month, and make sure we have your e-mail so you'll receive our Woodlake Wired e-blasts. If you're not already receiving them, contact us at admin@woodlakeonline.com to be added to the list!

Do You Need A Woodlake Parking Permit?

The Shelter Cove and Harbour Park parking lots are the private property of the WCA and are not for use by non-residents. Parking in these lots requires that a current parking permit be displayed at all times.

Parking permits are free to all Woodlake residents. They are hard plastic tags that hang on your rearview mirror and can be easily changed from car to car. There is a limit of 2 permits per household. All you have to do is stop by the WCA office to pick one up!

It has come to our attention that many of the surrounding communities' residents are frequently using our lots, sometimes making it difficult for residents to find parking spaces during busy times. Therefore, the WCA will be strictly adhering to the two-per-household rule this year, and identification and/or proof of residence will be required when picking them up. Please be prepared to show identification bearing your Woodlake address.

PLEASE NOTE: If the WCA finds that you have given a parking permit to a non-resident for use when not accompanied by you as your guest, we will ask you to return the permit, and future use of the parking facilities by anyone in your household may be revoked at the discretion of the WCA Board of Directors.

Boat Registrations Now Past Due!

Does Your Boat Need To Be Registered?

All watercraft used on Swift Creek Reservoir, whether stored on WCA property or at a Woodlake home (in garage/under deck), must be registered annually with the Woodlake Community Association for general identification purposes and use of Woodlake boat launch sites. This includes windsurf boards and inflatables. Registrations are due by March 1 of each year. A $20 late fee is imposed on payments received after March 1.

All boats registered with the WCA must be entirely owned by Woodlake property owners and/or tenants.

If you have a boat that has never been registered with the WCA, or if you have purchased a boat from or been given a boat by another Woodlake resident, you must register it in your name with the WCA. For registration forms, please visit woodlakeonline.com, or call or stop by the WCA.

If your boat was previously registered with the WCA, you should have received a new registration form in the mail around February 1. If not, please come by as soon as possible to register and get your 2011-12 sticker.

ATTENTION RUNNERS:

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WCA Community Cleanup

April 15 & 16, 8AM-4PM
Woodlake Swim & Racquet Club

The WCA wants to help you improve your property at no additional cost to you! Mark your calendar now for the 2011 Spring Community Cleanup. We'll be accepting yard waste, Goodwill items, and documents for shredding. All you have to do is get it to us at the Woodlake Swim & Racquet Club parking lot (the tennis location). Take advantage of this WCA-sponsored event to get a jump on your spring cleaning!

This event is open to Woodlake residents and property owners, only. A photo ID with Woodlake address will be required, or HANG YOUR WOODLAKE PARKING PERMIT ON YOUR REAR-VIEW MIRROR, and you'll be waved right through!

Acceptable INDOOR WASTE

• Goodwill items - please bring us gently used items that would be acceptable for resale at Goodwill such as:

clothing
small kitchen appliances
toys

• Documents for shredding - please bring your paper documents in a box or paper grocery bag. Shred-It will be there to shred them on the spot!
Saturday only, 8AM-2PM

NOT ACCEPTABLE

•• Do NOT bring household garbage or items that you wouldn't be able to sell at a yard sale
••Do NOT bring paint, pesticides, lawn chemicals, motor oil or other hazardous waste products

Acceptable OUTDOOR Waste

• Bagged leaves or grass • Tree limbs
• Dead shrubbery • Small tree stumps

NOT ACCEPTABLE

••NO lawn furniture
••NO household or kitchen garbage

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
CALL GAIL AT WCA, 739-4344.

BOARD*briefs*

January 26, 2011 Meeting of the Board of Directors

Members of the Board of Directors of the Woodlake Community Association, Inc. receive a packet of information every month before the regular Board meeting. This packet contains the agenda, financial statement, reports, and other information that relate to the business that will be addressed by the Board during the meeting.

The regular monthly meeting is held at the Woodlake Community Association offices at 14900 Lake Bluff Parkway. It typically starts at 6:30 p.m. and concludes with a motion to adjourn and go home after two and a half to four hours. Owners are welcome to visit the Woodlake Community Association office to get a copy of the minutes of a meeting, however we think you will find this column convenient and informative. It is being created in response to input from members to provide an executive summary of the most important decisions and actions taken by the Board, and it will appear in each monthly newsletter.

President Quinn called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. A quorum was present with the following officers and directors present: President Caryl Quinn; Vice President George Rogerson; Secretary Jay Hackleman; Treasurer Mark Riblett and Directors David Faulkner and Del Rio Walkey. Director Sharon Markowski was absent. Also present were Community Manager Julie Joyner, Community Standards Manager Brian Hoyle and Recorder Gail Fenske.

Member Voice
A Long Cove resident shared assessment data and home sales based on County data. A Woodlake Environmental Committee member observed the Board meeting.

During the business portion of the meeting the Board took the following actions:
• Motion to allow Designforum to create a new proposal and revise the scope of work.
• Motion to accept and move forward with Option B with the revised plan of the proposed bike trail at Rock Harbour.
• Motion to accept the charter of the Covenant Enforcement Task Force with the change of taking out the word "proactive."
• Motion to approve Woodlake Environmental Committee Charter changes.
• Motion to change the April 2011 Board Meeting date to April 13, 2011.

Next meeting. The next regular Board meeting will be held on Wednesday February 16, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at the WCA office.

Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

February 16, 2010 Meeting of the Board of Directors

President Quinn called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. A quorum was present with the following officers and directors present: President Caryl Quinn; Vice President George Rogerson; Secretary Jay Hackleman; Treasurer Mark Riblett, and Directors Sharon Markowski and Del Rio Walkey. Director David Faulkner was absent. Also present were Cassie Craze, Community Standards Manager Brian Hoyle and Recorder Gail Fenske.

Member Voice
A Rock Harbour resident asked the Board for approval to use the WCA email list to contact members for the gathering of signatures for a petition to overturn the decision of the new bike trail between Rock Harbour Park and Chestnut Bluff. A Clipper Cove resident complimented the WCA for a good job and what a great place Woodlake is and how well it is managed. The resident also noted a concern about the undesirable activity around the pavilion, Tom Sawyers Island and the dock area and asked the Board to consider more security and patrolling in those areas. He also mentioned road safety concerns in regards to runners using our parkways instead of the bike trails. A Standing Oak resident noted concern about the maintenance and upkeep of the WSRC. He also suggested that the Woodlake Covenants be updated for 2011to require residents to review and sign them again to remind them of the covenants they signed when they purchased their Woodlake property.

During the business portion of the meeting the Board took the following actions:
• Motion to approve the Designforum neighborhood lighting proposal. The vote was five in favor, one opposed.
• Motion to leave the currently installed compasses to be flush against the brick monolith and add two smaller compasses on the lower left and lower right of the sign panels.
• Motion to defer the Woolridge Road discussion until Community Manager Joyner returns from leave.
• Motion to approve the Outside Advertising Guidelines for pavilion rental by the WSRC.
• Motion to appoint Ray Turcan and Gail Fenske as the Election Proctors for 2011.
• Motion to set the size of the Covenant Task Force at 5 residents and to appoint Gene Grecheck, Dale McIntosh, Allan Paczewski, Diane Robertson, and Larry Freyser, along with legal guidance from Cassie Craze

• Motion to appoint Cassie Craze as the Interim Board/Staff Liaison while Community Manager Joyner is on leave.

Next meeting. The next regular Board meeting will be held on Wednesday March 16, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at the WCA office.

Adjournment. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

The Woodlake Board of Directors Meeting Info

The BOD meets on the third Wednesday of every month unless otherwise announced. Meetings take place at the WCA office, 14900 Lake Bluff Parkway and begin at 6:30 p.m. A member voice session is held at the start of each meeting to hear resident concerns, comments and questions. All residents are welcome to attend for member voice and to observe the remainder of the meeting.

SAVE THE DATE!

WCA Annual Meeting
Tuesday, April 26

Doors Open, 6:30 PM
Business Meeting, 7:00 PM
Woolridge Elementary School

Dumping Your Leaves In The Street? Violators Subject To County Fines!

According to the Chesterfield County Water Quality Department, county ordinances regulate storm water drains, drop inlets and ditches. Residents are prohibited from dumping materials and substances into the drainage system that can cause contamination of our drinking water.

Most of us know that we shouldn't dump things like paint, oil or fuel, but did you realize that dumping leaves in storm water drainage areas or allowing them to accumulate there is also a possible cause of pollution of our reservoir? Dumping yard waste can cause leaching of chemicals into the drainage system and the reservoir and, therefore, *in your drinking water!*

Further, dumping of leaves in the street can cause clogging of ditches, causing backups and flooding. According to county ordinances, officials can take action against anyone who causes such damage to the storm water system. Anyone who knowingly violates this ordinance is subject to a fine of $250-$1000 PER DAY!

IMPORTANT:

Woodlake is in a **NO-BURN** area of Chesterfield County. Burning of leaves or trash is prohibited at all times!

Woodlake Community Association 2011 Fee Schedule

Assessment (Residential)	$464.30/yr
	$116.08/qtr
Capitalization Fee (one-time fee)	$464.30
Hand Billing Fee	$10.00/qtr

Signs

Yard Sale Sign	$20.00 refundable
Lost Pet Sign	$20.00 refundable
FSBO/FLBO Sign	$65.00 ($45 refundable)
FSBO/FLBO Lead-in Sign	$20.00 refundable

Publications

Phone Directory	$6.00
Covenants, Design Guidelines	$6.00 each or both for $10.00

Boating Facilities

Day Sailor	$15.00/yr
Mooring Post	$70.00/yr
T-rack	$45.00/yr
RV/Boat Dry Storage Lot	$462.00/yr
Pontoon Slip	$850.00/yr

Pontoon Boat Rental

Fri-Sun	
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Signs not acquired from the WCA, signs placed anywhere other than the neighborhood entrance, or signs put out on any day other than the day of the sale will be removed.
WCA-acquired signs that are found anywhere other than at the neighborhood entrance or at any time other than on the day of the sale will be removed, and the deposit will not be returned. Residents may be charged a fee for "illegally" placed signs, in accordance with the Woodlake sign policies. (See the November 2008 issue of *Life on the Lake*, available at woodlakeonline.com.)

Neighborhood yard sales will be posted on the marquees, space permitting, when there are three or more households participating. WCA scheduled events and meetings take precedence over all other postings; therefore, advertising of yard sales is not guaranteed, but the WCA will try to do so.

When residents acquire the "legal" YARD SALE SIGN from the WCA, the sale will be posted at woodlakoneline.com FREE OF CHARGE!

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Check out our blog at gogreencloverhill.blogspot.com

10TH ANNUAL WOODLAKE COMMUNITY YARD SALE

Woolridge Elementary School zone:
Saturday, April 2
8AM-2PM

Clover Hill Elementary School zone:
Saturday, April 9
8AM-2PM

The WCA will do all the advertising! No registration necessary. No central location: hold it at your own home. All you have to do to participate is get your neighborhood sign from the WCA!

*Raindate: both zones
April 16, 8AM-2PM

SIGNS - May be placed at neighborhood entrances only. All signs must be WCA signs and may be picked up at the office during business hours. $20 refundable deposit required; one per neighborhood, please. Call 739-4344 to reserve a sign for your neighborhood entrance.

NEED A BABYSITTER? WANT TO BE A BABYSITTER?

The WCA maintains a list of both adult and teen babysitters in Woodlake. Find a sitter or have your name added to the list!

TEEN HANDYMAN LIST

Lawn mowing, raking, and more are services Woodlake teens have to offer.

PET SITTERS AND WALKERS

Woodlake teens and adults will walk your pets daily or feed and water them while you're on vacation.

RESIDENTS HELPING SENIORS

Woodlake residents will help seniors with shopping, chores, transportation to appointments, or companionship. This is a new category, and the WCA is looking for residents who would like to be added to the list of volunteers.

Call the WCA at 739-4344 to be added to the list.

Stop by the WCA to pick up any of the above lists, or request one by e-mail at admin@woodlakeonline.com.

The WCA does not endorse or recommend anyone on the above lists. Please be sure to check references carefully.

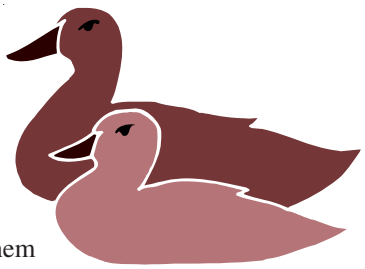
Please Don't Feed The Birds!

By Caitlin McCaig and Morgan Griffin,
Junior Woodlake Environmental Committee Members

With spring just around the corner, many Woodlake residents will be visiting our lake and the wildlife thriving around it. Though it is tempting to share leftover bread with the ducks and geese of the lake, this pastime has drawbacks; well-meaning people may harm the health of wild birds by feeding them.

Bread, crackers, chips, and similar foods are carbohydrate-rich, leading to obesity and malnutrition. When we feed ducks, we encourage them to become dependent on humans, and they lose their natural ability to forage. Ducklings are less likely to survive because they are never taught to search for their food when human handouts are available.

Another unfortunate effect of feeding bread to waterfowl is that it puts them at a greater risk for disease. The carbohydrate-rich diet leads to excessive defecation, and bird feces easily harbor diseases.



Instead of enjoying the ducks and geese by feeding them, try just observing them or taking pictures to remember the fun things they did and the enjoyment you got from watching them!

FREE Child Identity Program

Saturday, March 26
Woodlake Aquatic and Fitness Center
9am-12 noon

Each year thousands of children in the US are reported missing! Law enforcement officers have stated that having ready, concise, descriptive information about each child is essential to quickly locating and recovering missing children.

The Masonic organization of VA, in conjunction with local law enforcement, has developed a program designed to help with this dreadful situation. The process is simple. On a single 8"x11" sheet of paper, for parents to keep, there will be specific information about their child. This information will include front and side head photos, as well as fingerprinting, hair and eye color, etc. The process takes about 3 minutes.

Parents will have the only copy to keep in their possession. No other copies are made or kept by the providers.

This is a free service to all the residents of Woodlake and members of Woodlake Swim and Racquet Club, provided by the members of the Clover Hill Masonic Lodge. A member of Chesterfield County Sheriff's Department will be in attendance to answer any questions. Just come by the AFC on March 26 between 9am and 12 noon to participate.

For questions, please call the AFC at 739-3454.

Eye On The Environment

March Into Spring With A Healthy Lawn

Can you believe we had a few days pushing 70 degrees in February? Nature is telling us that spring is just around the corner, which means we can dust off those gardening gloves, and wow! Where do we start? Here are a few tips for March, as we march into spring!

Enhance Your Lawn Health

Did you know that bagging grass clippings and throwing them out with the trash robs your lawn of valuable nutrients? Grass clippings from a properly mowed lawn are a fertilizer resource. Left on the lawn after mowing, the clippings reduce the amount of fertilizer needed for a healthy lawn and reduce the potential for fertilizer to move into the water system. Leaving grass clippings on the lawn also saves your local government the cost of disposing of them at area landfills. A typical quarter-acre lot generates 3,500 to 4,000 pounds of grass clippings each year. Disposing of clippings costs the homeowner approximately $50 to $90 per year in public service charges, private collector fees, or taxes.

During peak growing periods, usually in April or May, it may be necessary to collect grass clippings. If you must gather up the clippings, add them to your yard's compost pile for later use as mulch.

Test Your Soil!

If you have never had a soil test on your lawn done, or have not had one done in 2 or 3 years, before you plant grass seed or fertilize your lawn, pick up a soil test kit from your local Extension Office, dig up a soil sample, and have it tested. The soil report will tell you in plain language whether you need to apply lime to restore the soil's natural chemical balance. It will also tell you what kind of fertilizer is needed and how much you should use.

Mow Regularly

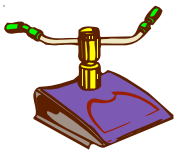
Proper mowing is as important to the success of a well-kept lawn as any other step. Although recommended cutting heights vary by type of grass, a good rule of thumb is to cut off no more than one-third of the grass plant at any mowing. Set the mower height accordingly, but no lower than 1-1/2 inches. Weekly mowing should be sufficient, except in April and May, the months of peak grass growth.

Fertilize in the Fall

Fall fertilizer applications are most beneficial to the cool-season lawn grasses found in Virginia. Apply the amounts of lime and fertilizer nutrients (nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium) recommended in your soil test report. Applications of fertilizers containing nitrogen should be made from September through December.

Water as Needed

If you wish to maintain a green yard in dry weather, add about 1 inch of water a week, preferably in the early morning, and only as much as will soak into the ground. Water that is allowed to run off carries with it nutrients that are valuable to the lawn but harmful to streams and reservoirs. Also remember to follow any restrictions from your local authority due to drought.



By following these guidelines, homeowners in Virginia can expect to save money on fertilizer as well as plastic trash bags. Annual homeowner savings for a typical quarter-acre lot amount to $20 to $45 in fertilizer costs and $20 to $40 for plastic bags. In addition, you will help your local government keep a lid on refuse disposal costs.

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Did you know?

By leaving grass clippings on the lawn, it is estimated that you will reduce nitrogen applications 20-30% after the first year and 35-45% after the second year.

Have you seen a garbage truck squeezing the liquid from the garbage and allowing it to run into the storm drain?

THAT LIQUID GOES INTO YOUR DRINKING WATER!

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Private lessons are available upon request. Please contact the front desk in person or at 739-3454.

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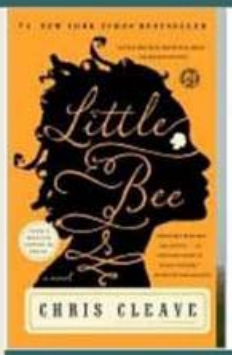

Sign up at the desk... it's easy! Questions? See Cindy Rosser

First meeting: 3/14, 7pm

American Girl Doll Club

Sunday, March 13th
3-4:30pm
AFC Nursery
$12 Gold/Existing Silver
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Ages- Kindergarten and up
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Get lucky with our Spring American Girl Doll Club!
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WSRC Club Offices
14710 Village Square Place
Midlothian, VA 23112
AFC (804) 739-3454
SRC (804) 739-4120

Club Hours
AFC Indoor Pool & Fitness Center
Monday-Thursday: 4:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.
Friday: 4:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday: 7:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m

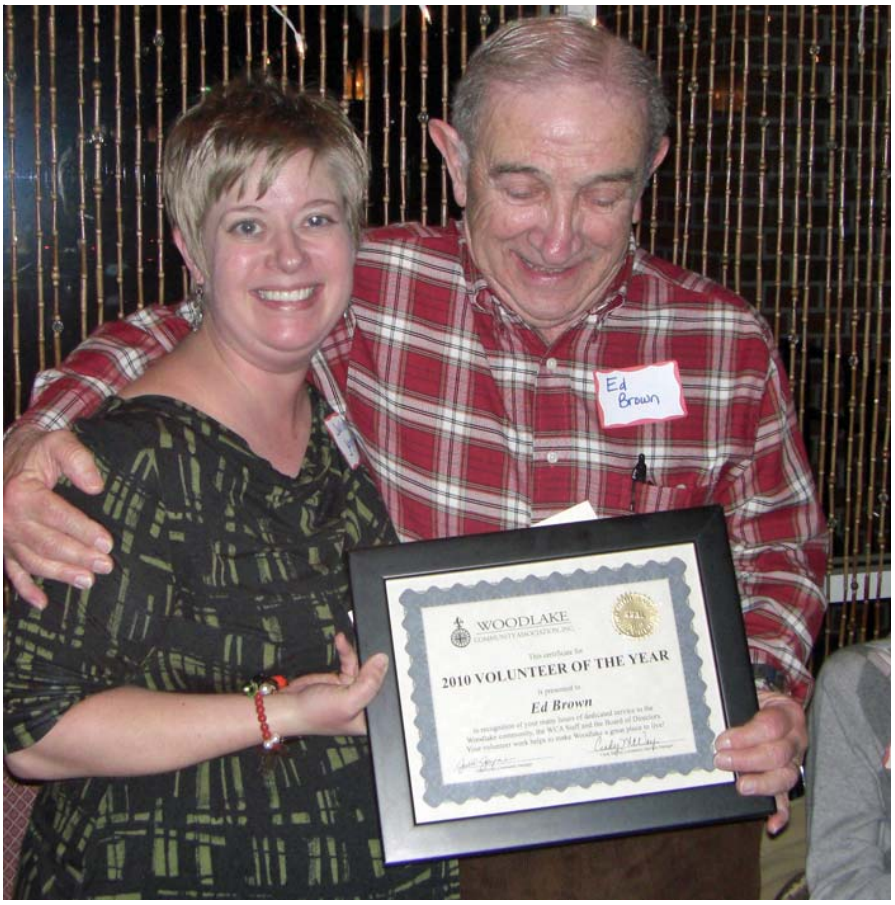
Club Corner

Volunteers Celebrate A Busy 2010 At Annual Volunteer Reception

Each year in February, the WCA staff holds a special reception for all the residents who have graciously given their time and talents during the previous year to help out with events and special projects. This year, the list of volunteers was larger than ever, as we recognized all those who helped with our largest project of 2010, the purchase of the Woodlake Swim & Racquet Club.

With two voting procedures requiring large quorums, we called on volunteers to go door-to-door, help with signs, and man information booths throughout the voting period. Many of our usual volunteers answered the call with enthusiasm, but a few new faces became regulars along the way!

Another major project that required many hours from volunteers on the Long Range Planning Committee (LRP) and Board of Directors (BOD) was the inplementation of the Landscape Plan. After several years of research and planning, we saw the plans begin to come to fruition in 2010. Past and present members of both the LRP and BOD were recognized at this year's reception for their valuable contributions to the project.



Community Manager Julie Joyner presented this year's Volunteer of the Year award to Ed Brown. Ed's Gates Mill neighbors call him "the Mayor," as he's usually the first to welcome newcomers, organize neighborhood get togethers, and come to the aid of those in need. He has served for nearly 10 years as the neighborhood rep. Ed was invaluable to the WCA staff and Board this year, going door-to-door to get folks to vote in two elections, sitting at info booths, and sharing his contagious smile and sunny spirit with all he met. Thank you Ed!

Emilio's award winning paella is a hit year after year!

Former Board member Marty Mitchell with Board President Caryl Quinn

Current Environmental Committee Chair Allan Heasty recognizes Todd Janeski for two years of service as the former chair. Todd continues to serve on the WEC in 2011.

George Turner (with Community Manager Julie Joyner) helped remind residents to vote by moving signs from one neighborhood to another.

Neighborhood Rep and Environmental Committee member Cyndi Rymer and husband Harold, of Ridge Point. Both Cyndi and Harold are regular volunteers at community events.

Volunteers and WSRC members, Ed and Marty Peterson are familiar faces to many in Woodlake.

Former Board President Ray Turcan with current President Caryl Quinn

President Quinn recognizes George Rogerson for his continued service as a Board member.

Board members Sharon Markowski, Caryl Quinn, and David Faulkner

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HELP NEEDED:

Marquee Volunteer needed to change messages on marquees 2-3 times per week as needed by WCA.

Please Help Us Keep Woodlake Beautiful!

SCOOP THE POOP!

Covenant Clips

YARDS

- Shrubs shall be pruned to maintain a neat appearance.
- Barren areas shall be reseeded or incorporated into mulched beds.
- Dead trees, shrubs, and flowers shall be removed and/or replaced.
- Mulched areas shall be kept free of weeds and grass.
- Driveways shall be kept free of weeds and grass.

The ARB meets twice monthly to consider residents' applications. ARB forms can be found at woodlakeonline.com.

For questions regarding ARB requirements, call Brian Hoyle at 739-4344.

ARB Approvals
January & February

Acorn Ridge - Color change
Acorn Ridge - Vinyl siding
Chestnut Bluff - Roof
Grove Forest - Color change
Lansgate - Color change
Long Cove - Privacy wall
Long Cove - Windows
Manor Gate - Generator
Mill Spring - Vinyl siding
Mill Spring - Window replacement
Powell Grove - Fence
Rock Harbour - Screened porch
Rock Harbour - Vinyl siding
Sandstone Ridge - Fence
Sandstone Ridge - Shutters
Shelter Cove - Lights
Silver Birch - Color change
Silver Birch - Roof
Silver Birch - Skylights
Sunrise Bluff - Shed
Walnut Bend - Roof
West Bay - Front porch railings
Windy Ridge - Fence
Windy Ridge - Roof
Woodlake Swim & Racquet - Deck

Have you changed your mailbox to BLACK yet?

All mailboxes must be black by December 31, 2011. If you haven't changed yours yet, stop by the WCA office where you can purchase the Woodlake black paint or a new black box for self-installation.

To have the WCA install a new box for you, call us at 739-4344.

Crime Report & Prevention Phone Number List

EMERGENCIES 911

Non-Emergency Police
748-1251

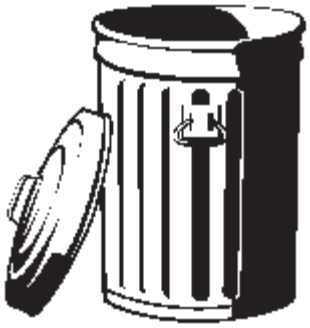
Auto Larceny
717-6241

Neighborhood Watch Officer
318-8691

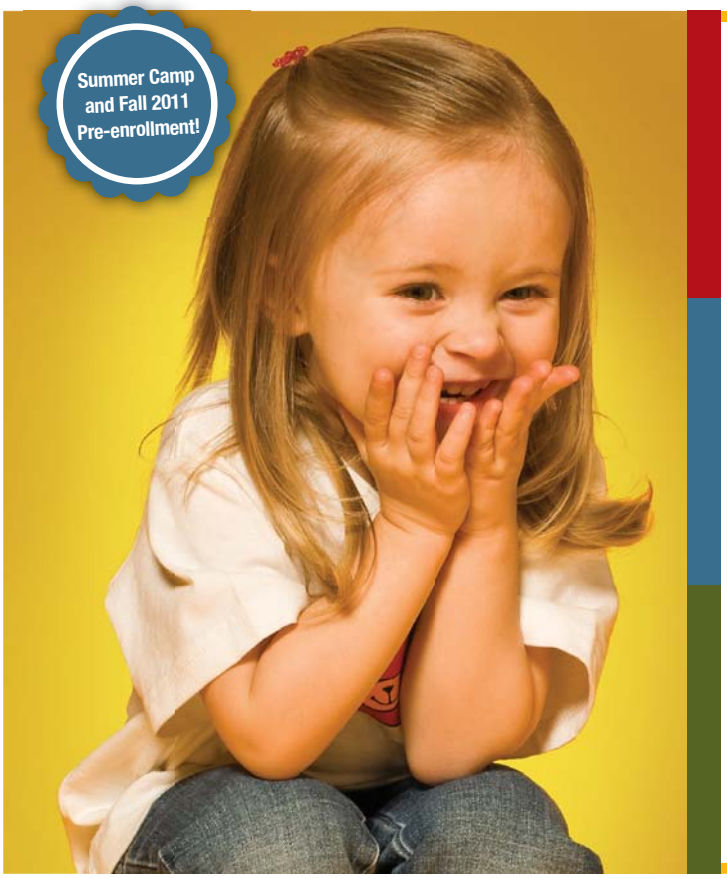
Crime Solvers
748-0660

Trash Collection Services

The WCA does not endorse or recommend any service; however, we have put together the following list of companies that work in our area and offer back-door service, as required by the Woodlake Covenants.



The Trash Men	378-3080
Virginia Waste Serv.	778-7900
Waste Management	233-5052



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Coupon Savings Go High-Tech

If you think clipping and organizing paper coupons is more trouble than it's worth, you're in good company. Manufacturers issued 331 billion grocery coupons in 2006, and less than 1% of them were redeemed. By contrast, electronic discount coupons had a redemption rate of 41%. It should come as no surprise then, that more and more retailers and manufacturers are jumping on the high-tech coupon bandwagon. Here is just a sampling of some of the ways to take advantage of digital savings:

Sign Up For E-Mail Alerts, Coupons and Customer Rewards Cards

The first step toward savings in the stores where you regularly shop is to visit the company's web site. For example, on the Michael's craft store web site, you can sign up to receive the same coupons by e-mail that appear in the local newspaper. All you have to do is print the coupon at home and redeem it at the store. It's a great way to get their coupons without having to subscribe to a newspaper, and you can print more than one coupon.

Other stores build the coupon savings into their consumer rewards cards. Kroger, for example, gives in-store savings and discounts on their gas when you scan your Kroger Plus card. Now they've added coupons that you download to your card so that when it's scanned at the store, the discount is applied automatically. They also offer print-at-home coupons for those who still prefer the paper version.

CVS Pharmacies recently began installing coupon kiosks where customers scan a store card and the computer generates coupons based on past buying habits. If you prefer Walgreens, view their weekly circulars at walgreens.com and then print only the coupons you want. Sign up for their e-mail and you'll get a sneak peek at the ads every week. You'll get further savings by using their store card, which earns cash-back coupons that you spend in the store just like cash.

Stores' customer rewards cards are free and usually quick and easy to sign up for. Even if you don't use some of them often, you'll eventually reap some rewards or discounts. Here are a few tips for using them:

• Create a free gmail.com account just for use with rewards cards so you won't have to wade through the e-mails in your regular inbox. Then just check the account periodically or when you're ready to shop.

• Cut down on the bulk in your wallet by combining several customer rewards cards. Use justoneclubcard.com to combine up to eight rewards cards into a single card.

• Ask at the restaurants you frequent if customer rewards cards are offered. Many offer punch cards where you get a free meal or entree after purchasing a set amount. Many restaurants have them but don't make it well known. A few that do are Panera, Mexico and Tropical Smoothie.

Even Google has gotten in on the act. At google.com/maps, local businesses can add printable coupons free of charge, and a "coupons" notation will appear next to their listing so concumers can print them.

CouponMap.com is another excellent source for printable coupons from local businesses. You put in your location, and it identifies current offers near you.

Let Your Smart Phone Do The Work

Smart phone users have even more opportunities to save. At Target, you can sign up for text message coupons that are sent right to your phone. At the register, you open the message and have the cashier scan it, just like the old-fashioned paper coupons. Go to www/target.com/mobile to sign up.

Val-Pak now offers coupons on smart phones, too. Blackberry, Droid, iPhone and Windows 7 phones all have apps that allow you to receive the coupons right on your device. Visit www.valpak.com/coupons/show/mobile to find out if your device is supported.

Go to www.vzspendsmart.com to search for other local stores offering mobile coupons.

Get Your Groupon!

Groupon is a relatively new concept in saving money. Members receive a daily e-mail with a limited-time offer, good only if enough people buy in. The idea is that it helps merchants guarantee enough sales to make it worthwhile for them, but successful deals usually mean deep discounts for consumers, too. The site recently offered five DVD rentals from a Blockbuster Kiosk for just $2 - a $5 value. Another was $15 for $30 in products from Bath and Body Works online. Groupon apps are available on your computer and iPad and some smart phones. Go to groupon.com to get started.

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Smart phones offer users many ways to find savings at local businesses, including apps like ValPak, Groupon and Living Social.

DID YOU KNOW?

Woodlake's fold-out, full-color map shows 4 measured courses for walkers, runners and bikers. Pick yours up today at Lucky's or the WCA office.

Woodlake is GOING GREEN!
Please RECYCLE this newsletter.

You can always refer to this and older issues of *Life on the Lake* at woodlakeonline.com

Money Matters

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Similar to Groupon, Living Social offers daily deals, but there are no requirements for a number of buyers before the deal is honored. You just click to buy, and a voucher is e-mailed to you the next day. In addition, you get a link to share with your friends, and if three of them buy, you get yours free! They claim to offer savings up to 90% off. Go to livingsocial.com or download the app on your smart phone.

Finally, here are a few other services to check out if you're looking to save a few bucks the high-tech way:

www.cellfire.com - coupons on groceries and personal care

www.krillion.com - for electronics and appliances

www.thefind.com - for apparel and home décor

milo.com - for deals at national chains

LOST & FOUND

LOST

iPod Shuffle and Red Sandisk, lost in Chestnut Bluff. Call Ron at 639-3559.

FOUND

Child's Necklace, found at Legacy Park tot-lot. Call WCA at 739-4344.

Boy's Bike, call WCA at 739-4344.

CD Case, call WCA at 739-4344.

Mountain Bike, found in Lansgate. Call Heather at 639-1437.

Casio Cell Phone, found on Parkway. Call WCA at 739-4344.

Go to woodlakeonline.com for up-to-the-minute listings.

WOODLAKE RECYCLING

Place Bins at curbside no earlier than 7 p.m. on the day prior and no later than 7 a.m. on collection day.

Remove bins from the curbside no later than 9 p.m. on collection day.

Notice From Central Virginia Waste Management Authority:
If you are a new resident who does not have an official green CVWMA recycling bin, you can call Central VA Waste Management at 349-0900 to request a free one delivered to your property. If you are a resident who already has a bin but want another, you can buy one Mon-Fri, 8AM-4:30PM at 6700 Landfill Drive in Chester, VA. Call 748-1297 for more information.

For other recycling information, call the Recycling Hotline at 340-0900 or visit http://chesterfield.gov/ManagementServices/GeneralServices

WOODLAKE NEIGHBORHOOD REPRESENTATIVES

ACORN RIDGE: Jamie & Michael DeWitt
BEACON HILL I: Nancy McBee
BEACON HILL II: Kelly Cantrell & Mary Richeson
BEECHWOOD POINT: Matt Donlon
BENT CREEK: Sunshine Irvine, Steve Siegert
BOYCE'S COVE: Ellin & Bob McCulloch
CANDLEWICK: Phil Villiott
CHATMOSS: ***Needs Rep!***
CHESTNUT BLUFF: ***Needs Rep!***
CLIPPER COVE: Ellen Lucado
COUNTRY WALK: Pat Herman
DUCK COVE: ***Needs Rep!***
FIDDLERS RIDGE: Bill Halligan
FOREST WOOD: Carmen Allred
GARDEN FLATS: ***Needs Rep!***
GATES MILL: Ed Brown
GLEN RIDGE: Marty & Ed Peterson
GROVE FOREST: ***Needs Rep!***
HEATHER GLEN: Joyce Gumm
HICKORY GROVE: ***Needs Rep!***
HIGHBERRY WOODS: John Nolan
LANSGATE: Brian King
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LONG COVE: Brian Harkins
MANOR GATE: Dianne Mann, Joe Strolla
MAPLE BROOK: Ron Kessler
MARTIN GLEN: Linda Chapman
MEADOW CHASE: Anne Zimmerman
MILL SPRING: Heather Clark, Gale Hickling
MOSS CREEK: Cary Murrell
NORTH CHASE: Jim Waggoner
OAK KNOLL: Frank Blankenship
ORCHARD GROVE: Everett Bosselait, Del Carrell
PLEASANT GROVE: Olga Kelly
POWELL GROVE: Sharon Ritter
RED FERN: Michael Gignac
RIDGE POINT: Cyndi Rymer
ROCK HARBOUR: Judy Harrison
ROSEBAY FOREST: ***Needs Rep!***
SADDLE HILL: ***Needs Rep!***
SANDSTONE RIDGE: Lori Collins
SEDGEFIELD COMMONS: ***Needs Rep!***
SHELTER COVE: Tom Hoekstra, Diane Boyle
SILVER BIRCH: Sue Johnson
STANDING OAK: Jennifer Runnion
SUNRISE BLUFF: Joelle Hawkins, Skip Mischke
WALNUT BEND: Jerry Horton
WATER POINTE I: Edna Webster
WATER POINTE II: Carol Crick
WATERPOINTE APTS: ***Needs Rep!***
WATERCREST: Lois Strukle
WATERS EDGE: Stacye Meeley, Christina Arena
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WEST BRANCH: Linda Sleeth
WEST SHORE: Eve Tschantz
WILLOW GLEN: Miro & Jacqueline Spirk
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WOODLAKE VILLAGE APTS.: Crista Tyler
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Welcome New Residents

GATES MILL
Sarah Kelly
Suzanne & Wade Schmidt
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Charlotte & Ross Ring
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Christy & Robert Ellington
SEDGEFIELD TERRACE
Jillian & Steven Contomanolis

Welcome to the Woodlake Family!

IS YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD REPRESENTED?

The Following Neighborhoods Need Reps

Chatmoss
Chestnut Bluff
Duck Cove
Garden Flats
Grove Forest
Hickory Grove
Rosebay Forest
Saddle Hill
Sedgefield Commons
Waterpointe Apts
Windy Ridge

WCA CALENDAR

March 2011

Mar 10 **Neighborhood Rep Mtg**
7PM, WCA

Mar 14 **ARB Mtg**
8:30 AM, WCA

Mar 16 **Board of Directors Mtg**
6:30PM, WCA

Mar 28 **ARB Mtg**
8:30 AM, WCA

Mar 29 **BOD Orientation**
7PM, Harbour Pointe Clubhouse, Brandermill

April 2011

Apr 2 **Comm. Yard Sale**
WES Zone, 8-2

Apr 9 **Comm. Yard Sale**
CHES Zone, 8-2

Apr 5 **Environmental Committee Meeting**
7PM, Location TBA

Apr 11 **ARB Mtg**
8:30 AM, WCA

Apr 13 **Board of Directors Mtg**
6:30PM, WCA

Apr 14 **Neighborhood Rep Mtg**
10AM, WCA

Apr 15-16 **Comm. Cleanup**
SRC Parking Lot

Apr 22 **WCA Closed**

Apr 25 **ARB Mtg**
8:30 AM, WCA

Apr 26 **Annual Meeting**
6:30 PM, Woolridge Elementary School
WCA closes at 4PM

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Annual "Lake Safe" Fertilizer Sale!

This fall, the Woodlake Environmental Committee will once again team up with Boy Scout Troop 806 to provide the community the opportunity to purchase the best fertilizer for your lawn AND for the reservoir, so watch this newsletter for details in late summer!

LOST PET? LET US HELP!

The WCA has "Lost Pet" signs that you can use free of charge!

Stop by the WCA office to check one out with a $20 fully refundable deposit.

For more info, call the WCA at 739-4344.

Selling Your Home?

Virginia law requires the seller of a property in a planned community to provide an association disclosure package to a prospective buyer.

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By Lyn Hornick, Accounting Manager

It is my job to handle all of the finances for the Woodlake Community Association. That includes accounts payable and some 3,000 accounts receivable for Woodlake property owners.

Paying your quarterly assessments by credit card will save you a $10 per quarter service fee.

The Association's operating budget is supported by assessments on every property in the community. We bill owners on the first day of each quarter, and we try to provide as much flexibility in payment as possible. About two-thirds of the owners pay assessments with a credit card, which makes it possible for only one person to manage these accounts. At the beginning of each quarter, we electronically bill the credit cards for the regular quarterly assessment. There are no additional fees.

Property owners may also pay the entire year's assessments by check in January with no additional fees, but for those who prefer to be billed on a quarterly basis directly from the WCA, there is a quarterly service charge of $10.00 added to the bill. We strongly encourage those who wish to pay quarterly to use a credit card. The required form to set up a credit card account is below.

If you pay by check, the total is due on or before the 25th of the billing month. After that, finance charges will begin to accrue. As a not-for-profit organization, timely receipt of assessments is critical to our operation.

Sign up for credit card payments to simplify your bill paying!

APPLICATION FOR CREDIT CARD ASSESSMENT BILLING

To charge your Woodlake Association assessments to a credit card of your choice, please fill out this form, sign it, and return to the Woodlake Community Association at 14900 Lake Bluff Parkway, Midlothian, VA 23112. Applications cannot be accepted over the phone or without a signature. PLEASE PRINT.

NAME OF CARDHOLDER_____

WOODLAKE PROPERTY ADDRESS_____

CHECK ONE: _____Master Card _____Visa _____Discover _____American Express

CARD ACCOUNT # _____

EXPIRATION DATE _____/_____ PHONE NUMBER_____
month year

MAY WE LIST YOU IN THE RESIDENT DIRECTORY? YES ☐ NO ☐

E-MAIL_____LIST IN DIRECTORY? YES ☐ NO ☐

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Life On The Lake
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neighborhood KNOCKOUT

Do You Know A Neighborhood Knockout?

The WCA is looking for outstanding properties in Woodlake to inspire residents with home improvement, landscaping or other innovative exterior property changes. When you are cruising through the neighborhood and pause for a double take at the sight of the changes to a property, then you know that you've just seen a neighborhood knockout!

If you or someone you know has transformed a property in the neighborhood into a neighborhood knockout, nominate them (or yourself) for a special feature in *Life On The Lake*.

Submit the form below or e-mail us with the information:

Knockout Nominee Name_____

Woodlake Property Address_____