

Winding Creek Estates Newsletter

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ANNUAL HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION DUES ARE NOW OVER 60 DAYS PAST DUE!!!!

Of the 243 homes as of March 1st there are currently: 231 homes are paid in full. 8 Homes are in lien status. A total of \$5174.86 is the current amount that has yet to be collected for outstanding balances due.

Final collection letters, updating all current liens, and the filing new ones against the homeowners who have failed to pay their 2009 assessments will be taking place in the next 30 days.

Please keep in mind that the much needed improvements to the subdivision are in the works and without the full payment of all association dues, funding and the ability to carry out these projects will be impossible.

The indentures for Winding Creek were established in order to keep our community attractive , safe and maintain a general overall friendly environment. Let's keep our neighborhood looking nice and appealing to prospective residents and each other.

Please review them and ensure you are in compliance with the indentures. A copy of the indentures is available online.



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Points of Interest

- Newsletter News? Have any information for the newsletter? Email it to nadi_10@yahoo.co
- Don't forget the Homeowner's Association does hold annual meetings every spring. Attendance is encouraged.

Mark Your Calendar:

Yard of the Month Contest Begins : May 1, 2009

Spring Garage Sale : May 2, 2009 8 AM till...??? Peep show Friday

HOA Meeting: September 24, 2009 Public Safety Building

Fall Garage Sale: September 12, 2009 8 AM till...??? Peep show Friday





Pond News:

Pond:

The pond will be restocked in the next month or two with hundreds of new fish. Fishing is allowed, but ALL fish caught must be returned to the pond. We also will be replacing the dilapidated benches at the pond with new concrete ones.

It has also been noted there has been an excessive amount of trash left in and around the pond please pick up after yourselves and take an extra look around before you leave to ensure you are not leaving any of your personal belongings or trash on the ground before leaving the pond area.



MAILBOXES & FENCES:

Don't forget these during your spring cleaning routine, one coat of paint/stain will make it look brand new again!!



As the weather gets nicer more children will be out and about. Please be alert and **SLOW DOWN!** Remind your children to move to the curb when a moving car is approaching.

Trash Cans:

It has been noted several times that people are leaving trash bins out in the open during non-garbage collection days. Within your indentures paragraph 11, item (a) xiv) it "specifically prohibits trash cans or receptacles from being stored in the open on any lot..." Let's keep our neighborhood looking nice and appealing.

TRUSTEE ELECTION:
At the last Association Meeting Susie Branz was re-elected to serve a one year term.

Recycling Choices:

It's trash pickup day, and once again recycle bin contents are blowing around the neighborhood...do we have a choice? Yes! Phoenix Recycling has moved to Fairview Heights near Longacre Park! At the facility they accept cardboard, glass, plastic, tin, and aluminum (but not electronics) for recycling. There is no fee. The warehouse location in Fairview Heights is open Monday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Rather than pay for curbside recycling, some neighbors simply drive to Fairview every few weeks to drop off their recyclables for free. We do have a choice!

LOCAL NEWS:**NEWS FROM O'FALLON CITY HALL FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****Beware of Outside Solicitors**

O'Fallon, Illinois - March 30, 2009 - The O'Fallon Police Department was recently notified by an observant citizen that certain "outside solicitors" with no official connection to O'Fallon have been asking local residents for cash contributions, inferring that the organization they represent has an O'Fallon connection. The most recent incident was a mail solicitation that used the name "O'Fallon" and associated it with police officers in need.

"The City has no intention of restricting or discouraging residents from contributing to any cause they believe is worthwhile, but we want to make certain that our residents are fully aware that some solicitors attempt to obtain donations from O'Fallon residents under the guise of it being from and/or of benefit to our local community", said Mayor Gary Graham.

Although the City of O'Fallon and the O'Fallon Police Department occasionally sponsor fundraising programs, our programs can be distinguished from those of "outside solicitors" by the fact that we **DO NOT** take part in any type of phone or mail solicitations. Our fundraising programs are advertised and promoted through local media, and at present, are limited to the following events - all of which directly and fully benefit O'Fallon community programs and/or the specified charities and individuals:

Special Olympics - A campaign to raise money for Special Olympic Athletes throughout the State of Illinois. This is accomplished through fundraising events such as t-shirt sales, the Cops and Lobsters event, and the Polar Plunge.

- **O'Fallon Police Explorer Post 560** - O'Fallon businesses are contacted for donations to the program and explorers in the program sell candy and work on projects to earn money that is used for community projects and needs.
- **O'Fallon DARE Program Campaigns** - The annual Breakfast with Santa, various DARE Lock-ins and an annual DARE Baseball Game all raise money that goes toward the direct support of the O'Fallon DARE program and Toys for Tots.

If you receive a phone or mail solicitation asking for donations and are unsure if it is connected or coordinated through the City of O'Fallon or the O'Fallon Police Department, please feel free to contact us at 624-4545 for clarification.

Additional Information Contact: Pamala L. Funk Assistant City Administrator 624-4500, ext. 9-1112

Per the Indentures, failure to comply with the above listed items, Trustees will have the right to: repair, replace, remove, and maintain, any neglected property and charge the owner reasonable expenses incurred for such repair.