



Colony Woods News

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Stepping Up to Serve Our Colony Woods

Last month I wrote a cover page article encouraging interested residents to come forward and volunteer to become part of continuing the positive aspects of our Colony Woods community. Several have made inquiries about serving and some have volunteered to run for office. However, we still have positions available for those willing to serve. The following are the available positions and a brief description of their responsibilities:

Vice President – This position serves as an assistant to the President. The Vice President has traditionally served as a prelude to moving up to the position of President. Therefore, the expectation is that this is a two year commitment with the second year serving as President of the Association. In addition to certain duties that may be assigned throughout the year, there is a meeting of the Board once each month.

Directors -At-Large – This position traditionally serves in an oversight capacity over a certain committee or committees and reports back to the full Board on any issues and functions of the assigned committee. In addition to occasional contact with assigned committee heads, the expectation is for attendance at the Board meeting as scheduled each month.

Pool Committee Chair – This position is generally active from late spring until Labor Day. It involves oversight of the pool and performing certain administrative functions in preparation for the pool opening and some minimal duties after the pool closes. The pool management company is quite good and takes care of most of the day-to-day duties of running the pool. Although there can be a time commitment here, it has become less in recent years because of the quality of the pool management company services.

Architectural Control Committee – This position is important to ensure the continued quality environment that Colony Woods has maintained over the last 29 years. How many sub-divisions the age of Colony Woods have our look and feel? This position requires tact and the ability to communicate with our neighbors about issues that are sometimes delicate. However, the importance of this position cannot be overstated.

Social Committee – One of the major draws to Colony Woods is our sense of community. A major rea-

son for the success of this community is the hard work of our Social Committee. If you like having fun and planning and executing fun activities, the Social Committee is the place to be.

Beautification Committee
With the resignation of Bob Del Popolo as the head of this committee for the last 12 years, its new leadership seeks members to have fun in the sun while helping maintain certain of our common areas. If you like gardens and flowers and making things beautiful, this committee may be for you.

If you have an interest in serving our community, please call Bob Webber (888-9636 or rlwebber@everestkc.net) or John Gavin (438-8958 or jpgavin@everestkc.net). We would like to have our slate of candidates finalized by the first of October.

Although we have candidates for the positions of President, Treasurer, and Secretary, anyone interested in running for those positions should also indicate their desire to get their name on the ballot.

Beautification Committee Changes

The Colony Woods Board of Directors would like to thank Bob Del Popolo for twelve wonderful years of service. We have all enjoyed the beautiful pots at the pool and all the other landscaping that Bob has looked after all these years. Bob has been responsible for the grounds at the pool, all of the islands in the neighborhood and both entrances. Bob has put in many hours of planning and sweat to keep the neighborhood looking great. We will miss all of his hard work.

Linda Brisson, and Marilyn Ewing will step into the newly vacated position. We wish them luck with this huge task. Linda, and Marilyn would appreciate any help from neighbors wishing to volunteer.

CHECK OUT OUR UPDATED WEBSITE!

Yes! Yes! It is still under construction. But, a number of new links have been added and “Referrals” are needed.

We have the first referrals there. Equally as important, we have a very simple mechanism for ‘You’ to add your referrals.

We frequently get requests for referrals on painting, carpeting, roofing, kitchens, you name it. We have a lot of CW residents who can do the work and do it well. Why not help your neighbors by providing a referral? If the referral is for a CW resident, even better. The best of both worlds; a neighbor in business doing the work needed by a neighbor.

Do you have a child who baby-sits, walks dogs, mows lawns? Have them sign up in the “Kids Classifieds”. Are you the owner of a local business who can provide a discount to CW residents? Let us know about it in “Local Business Coupons”. We’re not looking for National Corporations, just residents who are small business owners who can offer something to their neighbors. Do you have an item to sell? List it under “Want Ads”.

The website still needs work, but it is growing. Jerry Emming has agreed to try to write some of the history. Did you know CW once had a women’s softball team? If you know stories or can help, give Jerry a call.

www.ourcolonywoods.com

***SPECIAL
THANKS
TO THE
MARSHALLS***

Special thanks to Angeline and Bob Marshall for distributing all the new CW directories to each and every neighbor. This was done methodically to ensure that each resident received one. Each resident was personally given a directory by Bob or Angeline. Great job!



Summary of the August 9, 2004 Board of Directors Meeting

Treasurer Report: We continue to operate within our budget with an unallocated budget balance of only \$438, which is expected to shrink. At the moment, we are well under budget for the pool expenditures, but estimates are being secured for relining/repairing the pool liner.

Website: We have received favorable feedback on the updated website. Referrals are needed for contractors provided services. Jerry Emming has volunteered to work on the CW historical data for the history section of the website. While the website is still under construction, Tom Howe has done a great job updating it.

Social Committee: The TGIF party featuring the Tad Williams Band was successful and well attended. The band provided some great music for all to enjoy.

Newsletter: Bob Webber was thanked for doing a last minute article for the August newsletter.

Hospitality: There were 5 homes for sale in CW but one has just sold.

Beautification: John Gavin reported that Bob Del Popolo had resigned as the Chairperson of the CW Beautification Committee. A letter will be sent to Bob thanking him for his many years of service to the community. The Board approved the appointment of Linda Brisson and Marilyn Ewing as the co-committee chairs of the Beautification Committee.

Treasurer:

The condition of the 83rd Street sidewalk and bricks has been discussed with the City of Lenexa noting that tall weeds are growing up and looking unsightly. Bob Webber volunteered to help improve this area. The Board approved the expenditure to purchase a herbicide to kill the vegetation.

Other: The Board will be looking for candidates for the elected positions and any open committee chairs.

Bob Webber represented CW at a meeting of Lenexa homes associations and will do so again in September.

Do you have a green thumb? Do you like to spend time outdoors?

If you answered yes to either one of these questions, or if you would just like to meet some of your neighbors, please join our NEW Beautification Committee. This committee is responsible for the design and upkeep of the community areas at the entrances to the neighborhood, the islands, and pool area. A lawn service is contracted to mow the green areas, so we are able to focus on the more enjoyable part of the mission; planting flowers, shrubs, plants, and other decorative gardening embellishments.

Our first meeting will be held on Thursday, September 16th at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Marilyn and Steve Ewing (12540 W. 81st Place). We hope to see you there!

Upcoming Social Events... . .

Ladies Night Out

September 24th at the Rozelle Court at the Nelson Art Gallery. We will leave from the pool at 5:30 and caravan or people can meet us there. There is a band that plays on Friday nights.

Next LNO—October 29 - On The Border at 95th & Quivira.

"Wine in the Woods"

We are having a wine tasting on September 18th, 7:00pm at the Shelter in the Park.

Neighbors are asked to bring one bottle of wine per person and an appetizer to share. Social committee will be donating items for auction. Any questions, they can call me 894-4309.

Annual Golf Outing

Saturday October 2
Oak Country CC, Desoto, KS.

\$18.00 per person, 3:00 p.m. Dinner & awards following at Barley's Brewhaus, 435 & Midland.

For details and to register call or email Charlotte Simmons, csimmons@everestkc.net, or 888-4857.

Halloween hot dogs and drinks

Anyone who is out and would like to stop by the Mills-Kaaser house at 8016 Westgate on Trick or Treat night in October, feel free.

Next Social Committee Meeting

September 21st at 7:00 at the home of Suzanne Sanders, 12603 W. 81st Terrace.



Mark your
calendars
for the
Holiday
Wine
Social.

December
11th, 2004

Pool Update

The pool will close for the summer Monday, September 6 at 8 PM. Joy and I would like to thank all our neighbors that made the pool an enjoyable place this summer. Any incidences I dealt with this summer seem to mainly involve outside parties that did not belong at the pool anyway. This tells me that our young residents have taken a real ownership in the pool and want it to be a great place to hang out. I feel they accomplished that this past summer and look forward to next summer with continued good times for all. Colony Woods residents should feel very proud of our young residents!! I hope our pool continues to be a real asset to the neighborhood.

As always,
we hope all
residents
find the
Colony
Woods Pool
an enjoyable
place.

David & Joy
Cooper

End of Season Reminders:

- Please check the lost and found one last time before we throw it out (except the stuff that fits me)
- Be sure to thank our lifeguards, especially Claire Reed, Pool Manager
- Any suggestions to make the pool an enjoyable place are greatly appreciated.

Music! Music! Music!


A big thank you to the Tad Williams Quartet for providing a great night of music at the pool on August 6th. The four up and coming musicians are Alex Dworkin, Jeremy Anderson, Matt Settle, and Zach Rizer. All are now at college pursuing their musical careers.



Bob and Carolyn Webber are proud to announce the birth of their first grandchild! Born to Greg and Brandy Webber, Noah Gregory was born on August 10, 2004 at 11:15 PM on their 8th Wedding Anniversary. Noah weighed 7 lbs.15 oz. and is 20 ½ inches long. Grandpa and Grandma are doing great!

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Calendar of Events:

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| September 6th | Pool Closing - 8pm |
| September 13th | Board of Directors Meeting |
| September 16 th | Beautification Meeting— Marilyn Ewing |
| September 18th | Wine in the Woods—Park Shelter |
| September 21st | Social Committee Meeting—Suzanne Sanders |
| September 24th | Ladies Night Out - Rozelle Court—Meet at the Pool |
| October 2nd | Annual Golf Outing—Oak Country CC, Desoto, KS |