



# Colony Woods News

July, 2006

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## HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY Colony Woods Neighbors!

July 4<sup>th</sup> is all about American history and Colony Woods and the City of Lenexa has a history of serving up a buffet of fun every Independence Day.

Our family's July 4<sup>th</sup> memories revolve around Colony Woods and Lenexa. You will find many of our memories are your memories, too. We shared the day with you, our dear neighbors,

We started with the Freedom Run (some of us running, more of us watching the runners) then enjoyed breakfast at one of the Pancake Feeds in Lenexa. Just enough time was left to put out chairs in downtown Lenexa, in the shade if it was a scorcher, and in the sun if the weather was cool (yes, we've had very cool July 4ths) to watch the Lenexa Community Days Parade complete with clowns, Shriners and their little cars, horses, marching Boy Scouts, politicians and little girls dancing. We raced home (hah! Have you ever been in that traffic?) to decorate our wagons and big wheels for the big Colony Woods parade down Rosehill to the pool. At the pool, there was a party, food, more party, more food, cannonball contests, Marco Polo, good conversation with good neighbors. After a little nap, we'd grill some burgers, pack a cooler, blankets and lawn chairs and head out to find the best spot to view the evening's sky spectacular. We felt like we were living in a Normal Rockwell painting, we Lenexa citizens enjoying a good old fashioned Fourth of July.

Take some time this holiday to look back on your memories of the Fourth, enjoy the Independence won for us over and over again by our forefathers (and mothers) and make some new memories.

Savor the day because any kid will tell you, July 4<sup>th</sup>, the most "fun" day of summer, is the half way mark. The almanac shows that summer has just begun, but school is just around the corner. Soon those yellow busses will again be screaming through the neighborhood, signaling the beginning of yet another year of our kids growing up.

*"O beautiful for spacious skies,  
For amber waves of grain,  
For purple mountain majesties  
Above the fruited plain!  
America! America!  
God shed his grace on thee  
And crown thy good with brotherhood  
From sea to shining sea!"*

## Beautification Committee Report

We had a beautiful day for the Garden Tour! We had a very nice turnout for our tour ( at least thirty people, but don't put that in the report :- ) ) of the four houses in our neighborhood. Some gardens near the homes on the tour were also open for viewing, although not officially listed in the newsletter, so there was a generous amount of participation.

All four gardens and yards were distinctly different, so it was an enjoyable and relaxing experience strolling through them.

We would like to thank Joan Carter, Kellie and Sam Dworkin, Dan Wright and Sue and Dan Hopkins for opening their yards to us and participating in the Garden Tour. Thank you all so much!

We are planning on having the Garden Tour on a semi-annual basis, so if you are planning on participating in 2008, you'll have plenty time to get your garden and yard beautiful!

Want to join the Beautification committee? Just contact us!

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## Social Committee News

Join the colony Woods Grill team as we parade from the park to the pool for a 4th of July BBQ. Parade starts at 12pm at the park. Decorate your bikes, strollers, wagons or yourself and your dogs!! Meet at the pool for a BBQ lunch.

All food provided by the CW social committee.  
Burgers, hot dogs, side dishes and drinks.  
Kids under 5 -\$3 All others \$6

### Upcoming Events

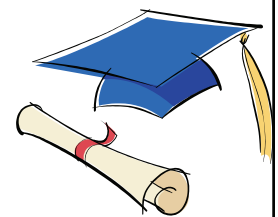
- August -** Ice cream social at the pool. Watch for signs!!  
**September -** Wine in the Woods!! Bring a bottle of wine per person and a snack to share. There will be a silent auction. If you would like to donate an item, bring it with you or contact Kellie or Sam Dworkin (599 [0544/skdworkin@everestkc.net](mailto:0544/skdworkin@everestkc.net)) (adults only)  
**September-** Labor day Pancake breakfast at the pool.  
**October--** The return of the Colony Woods Chili cook off!! Another fun new event!! this was a big hit last Fall even with a rainy day!! More info later!!

### Congratulation CW Graduates

Shawnee Mission Northwest Graduates

**Katie Cook**-Katie is attending Kansas City Art Institute and received a scholarship to attend.

**Steve Cook**-Steve is attending Ottawa University and received an athletic scholarship to play football.



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## Colony Woods Homeowners Association Board Meeting June 19, 2006

The Board meeting was called to order by Tom Thornhill on June 19 at 7:05 p.m.

While several Board members are working feverishly to update the CW Directory information, it is taking slightly longer than expected. The intent is to have new directories in the residents hand by August.

Please remember to send your event pictures to Tom Howe at [TomHOWE@everestkc.net](mailto:TomHOWE@everestkc.net) for posting on the website.

### Committee Reports

#### **Architectural Review:**

Discussed current legal issues in Colony Woods.

#### **Newsletter:**

Tom Thornhill reports no issues regarding the newsletter

#### **Pool:**

The pool has opened with some issues: a pump has been replaced, the pool gate was vandalized, which Kevin Sanders will repair, and electronic and motion lights haven't been working properly, which Bob Weber has offered to fix.

Water Aerobics are every Monday and Wednesday 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Please contact Patti Ballard at 424-7631 prior to scheduling your pool parties.

#### **Hospitality:**

Beth Thornhill continues to interview new residents as appropriate. Several homes have recently sold. The target date for the directory was pushed back due to the number of new residents that will be moving in via home sales.

#### **Social Committee:**

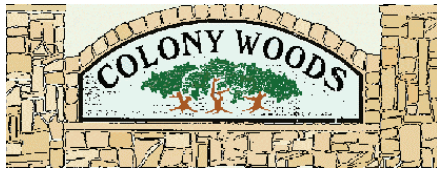
Kellie Dworkin reported that planning is well underway for Fourth of July Party at the Pool. Future events at the pool include an August Ice Cream Social, September Labor Day Pancake Breakfast, Wine in the Woods and an October Chile Contest.

#### **Beautification:**

The CW Garden Tour was a huge success. Thanks to everyone for participating and attending.

#### **Treasurers:**

The budget is on target with no current issues.



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## Calendar of Events

July 4          Parade and Pool Party

August         Ice Cream Social

**Starting a house Project?**  
Please make sure you contact  
Architectural Control  
before beginning