



# Colony Woods News

MARCH, 2007

## Lenexa to celebrate 100th Anniversary

Lenexa officially became a city on May 8, 1907 and our community is coming together for a big birthday party. A citizen volunteer committee is planning the week-long celebration with plenty of fun activities for your family, neighbors and friends. The seven day celebration is being planned from May 5-12, 2007.

Long-time Colony Woods resident Bill Mechler is a member of the steering committee that has been planning the event of the century. Join our neighbors and friends and get the community involved in the community's celebration of Lenexa's 100th anniversary.

Watch for more details in the upcoming months or visit the website [www.lenexa100.com](http://www.lenexa100.com) If you have more questions, are interested in volunteering or sponsorships, contact Bill Mechler (913-492-7617)

### Schedule of Events

#### Saturday—May 5th

- Pancake Breakfast
- International Fair Opening Ceremony
- Hot Air Balloons

#### Sunday—May 6

- Ecumenical Camp Meeting reenactment
- Field Day Games
- Ice Cream Social
- Choir Event

#### Monday—May 7

- Concert

#### Tuesday—May 8

- Art Show

#### Wednesday—May 9

- Carnival
- Lenexa Idol

#### Thursday—May 10

- Carnival

#### Friday—May 11

- Carnival
- Lenexa Idol

#### Saturday - May 12

- Skateboard Clinic
- Street Fair
- Carnival
- Closing Ceremony

## CW Open Board Meeting

The annual Colony Woods Open Board meeting is scheduled for March 5th at 7:30pm.

This is a great opportunity to discuss important events that affect your neighborhood, your community and the

city. Colony Woods Board Members, Committee Chairperson, volunteers and Lenexa community leaders will be present to keep you updated on current events and to answer your ques-

tions and discuss your concerns.

Please join the Board of Directors on March 5th at 7:30pm. The meeting will be at the City of Lenexa Police Training Room (Lenexa Police Station)

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Kevin Sanders President	322-2244
Scott Parker Vice-President	322-3409
Glen Quackenbush Treasurer	888-9454
Mary Baker Secretary	541-1706
Jane Williams Director-at-Large	438-1633
Linda Brisson Director-at-Large	599-1658
Greg Conway Director-at-Large	541-0042

### COMMITTEES:

- **Architectural—**  
*John Miller (894-5232)*  
*Bob Del Popolo (888-2617)*
- **Beautification -**  
*Linda Brisson (599-1658)*  
*Marilyn Ewing (888-9816)*  
*Bob Webber (888-2611)*
- **Hospitality-**  
*Donna Linderer (492-5268)*
- **Newsletter -**  
*Dean Weishaar (894-0542)*
- **Social**  
*Jen Runyan (307-0101)*  
*Suzanne Sanders (322-2244)*
- **Website -**  
*Tom Howe (888-5723)*

## Annual Newcomers Party

Have you moved into Colony Woods in the past year? Then please join us on **Saturday, March 3rd @ 7:30pm** for the Annual Newcomers Party. This is an event to give you the opportunity to meet the Home Owners Board of Directors, the Committee chairs and the Social Committee.

It is an informal gathering with food and drink. If you need babysitter suggestions, check the newsletter (page 3) or call a board member for suggestions.

If you moved into the neighborhood prior to February 2006 and did not get a chance to join us last year, please join us.

Hosts: Greg & Dianne Conway.  
8103 Westgate (541-0042).



## THERE ARE MANY REASONS TO HOST AN EXCHANGE STUDENT

### For you it may be:

Learn about the world.....Enrich your Community.....Earn Scholarships.....Meet Amazing Students.....Explore Your America.....Help a Young Person's Growth and Development.....Create Young Ambassadors for America.....Gain International Friendships to last a lifetime!!

Colony Woods residents, Allan and Tena McTaggart are area coordinators for EF Foundation, one of the largest Exchange Programs - check the US web site at [www.effoundation.org](http://www.effoundation.org).

Students come from a many countries - Germany, Italy, Scandinavia, Netherlands, Finland, Australia, South America, Asia, and others - pick a country you might like to visit!

You have opportunity to select a student that matches your preferences.

- Host Families are responsible for room, food and transportation - student's natural parents provide spending money and Activity fees.

- There is a tax deduction for hosting - EF is a 501(c)3
- The local International Exchange Coordinators (IECs) stay in contact with the student and the family regularly and is an on-going resource.
- Group Activities are planned every few weeks during the school year for students and their families - this year we have done: ice skating at Crown Center, see Lights and eat on the Plaza, laser tag and pizza, bus trip to Mt. Rushmore.

Children in host families are eligible for scholarships to participate in EF's abroad programs.

If you have questions, please feel free to call:

Allan and Tena McTaggart  
8145 Westgate Drive  
Lenexa, KS 66215  
913-492-4342  
cell: 913-558-4134  
atmctee@kc.rr.com

## Mark your Calendar

Saturday, March 31<sup>st</sup> @ 1:00 p.m.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Matt Taylor Park

The Easter Bunny will make an appearance so don't forget to bring your cameras. Cookies and Lemonade provided.



Saturday Evening, May 5<sup>th</sup>

The Social Committee has a Cinco de Mayo adult event in the works!!! So, save the date and watch for details to follow!



Wednesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00

The next Social Committee meeting will be held at Janet Fillmore's house - 12526 W. 81<sup>st</sup> Place. This committee is always open to anyone and everyone, so please join us.

## Neighborhood Babysitters

Sami Brisson—Certified by Olathe Medical Center—599-1658

Kathryn Cooper—Certified by Olathe Medical Center—492-7358

Anna Ewing—Certified by Olathe Medical Center—888-9816

Chloe Weishaar—Certified by Johnson County MedAct-894-0542

Colby Weishaar—Certified by Johnson County MedAct—894-0542

Taylor Williams—Certified by Johnson County MedAct -438-1633

To add your name to the available babysitter list email me at [deanweishaar@hotmail.com](mailto:deanweishaar@hotmail.com)

## Colony Woods Homeowners Association Board Meeting February 5, 2007

Bill Mechler made a presentation regarding the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Lenexa. There will be a full week of events May 5 – 12, 2007. Some events already planned are an ethnic festival, hot air balloon launch, old fashion camp re-enactments, ice cream social, concerts, a *Lenexa Idol* for residents and/or people who work in Lenexa (600 contestants are expected). Anyone (or business) interested in volunteering or becoming a sponsor please contact Mr. Mechler or go to [www.lenexa100.com](http://www.lenexa100.com).

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Architectural Review:**

The CW attorney continues legal work regarding installation of the unapproved roofs at 12641 W. 82<sup>nd</sup> Street and 8004 Westgate. A Summary Judgment hearing has been scheduled for February 20<sup>th</sup> regarding the roof at 12641 W. 82<sup>nd</sup> Street.

Three candidates' names have been submitted for the vacant architectural committee position.

#### **Beautification:**

L. Brisson reported that Rylie Equipment & Construction damaged the sprinkler during construction near the 83<sup>rd</sup> and Rosehill entrance. Rylie Equipment and Construction agreed to pay \$42 for the repairs and \$209 for excess water usage, a total of \$251. Otherwise, there is nothing else to report.

#### **Hospitality:**

No report provided.

#### **Newsletter:**

D. Weishaar reported that the newsletter continues to be going fine. Dean asked the Board if they had any objections to posting information in the newsletter regarding EF Foundation a Foreign Exchange Student Program. The Board did not see any issues posting this information.

#### **Pool Committee:**

The Pool Committee chair position remains open for 2007. Anyone interested in serving, please contact Kevin Sanders at 322-2244. If you have questions regarding Pool committee responsibilities, contact Patti Ballard, 2006 Social chair at 424-7631.

#### **Social Committee:**

The next social committee event is the Newcomers' Party hosted by Greg and Diane Conway on March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 at 8103 Westgate Drive. Invitations will be mailed to all newcomers. As in the past, all Board members and Committee chairs and spouses are encouraged to attend.

Just over \$900 in 2006 social committee expense receipts were submitted after the 2006 budget had been finalized. These expenses for holiday lights at the entrances, Christmas Tree Lighting, Annual Homes Association Meeting and Progressive Holiday Party and the Invitation Party are legitimate expenses. The Board approved reimbursement for these expenses from the Social Committee's 2007 budget. The Social Committee budget will be revisited as money is needed.

#### **Treasurers:**

G. Quackenbush reported only 24 homes remain with unpaid 2007 dues with four homes for sale or absentee owners. Unless the homeowner contacts Glen, a 5% per month penalty will be assessed on delinquency dues notices being mailed soon. The Board unanimously approved Glen's proposal to switch the checking account to one with no fees/charges and to switch the savings account to one with a higher rate of return.

#### **Website:**

No report provided. If anyone has information or pictures for the website, contact T. Howe at 888-5723 or [tomhowe@everestkc.net](mailto:tomhowe@everestkc.net).

# Calendar of Events:

**March 3**    **Newcomers Party**

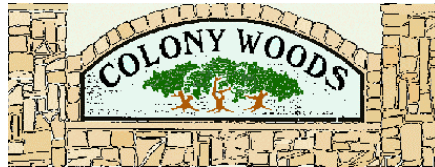
**March 5**    **Open Board of Directors Meeting**

**March 14**   **Social Committee Meeting**

**March 31**   **Easter Egg Hunt**

**May 5**      **Cinco de Mayo Party**

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