



Colony Woods News

APRIL, 2007

A Message from the President

The Colony Woods Board of Directors and Committee Members would like to thank the following people who contributed to Annual Open Board Meeting. Bill Mechlar for his presentation on the Lenexa 100 Celebration this spring, Council Members Dan Sullivan and Amy Slater for bringing us up to date on projects and plans for Lenexa, and Officer Lweis-Jones for his hospitality and updates on Police issues in Lenexa.

Attendance at the meeting was small. I believe only 11 or 12 people not counting board and committee members. I would encourage everyone to try to attend in the future. Without feedback and involvement it is hard to know if the Board is taking the neighborhood in a direction which is pleasing to everyone.

Spring is finally here. We have all survived a long cold winter. I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone to check with Architectural Control before proceeding with your home improvements.

The gentleman on the Architectural Board or reasonable to work with and glad to help with your questions. If you start this process with plenty of notice before the start of your project, preferably at least 30 days, it makes the process run more smoothly and their job much easier. They volunteer their time and it is much appreciated.

Thank you and have a great Summer

Kevin Sanders
President

E-Waste Event

Do you know what to do with that outdated computer or other electronic device? You are not alone. It is estimated that Kansas alone will generate 500,000 to 1,000,000 unwanted Personal Computers each year,

To help control

this growing problem, the City of Lenexa has scheduled an event to safely dispose of your used electronics. The E-Waste event is on April 21st from 9am—2pm at 7700 Cottonwood. (across from Mill Creek Elementary).

Items considered

e-waste include everything electronic, including such things as computers, keyboard, televisions, etc.

Some items will be disposed of for free, but others involve a fee. See the city of Lenexa website for more information.

<http://www.ci.lenexa.ks.us/LenexaNews/Lenexa%20E-Waste%20Event.html>

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Colony Woods Presents



Saturday, May 5
7:00pm

Cul de sac at 81st and Westgate (near Dworkin's House)

Taco bar, Margaritas, Mexican beer provided

\$15 per couple or
\$8 per person

**The next Social Committee Meeting will be on Thursday, April 12,
7pm at Janet Fillmore's home**

Keep your neighborhood clean

City of Lenexa regulations require your garbage cans to be out of obvious view (see below). Also please remember not to put your trash out before Sunday and remove the empty containers as soon as possible. See the Lenexa Website for details:

<http://www.ci.lenexa.ks.us/Planning/TrashRecycling.html>

Don't forget to visit

www.ourcolonywoods.com

for neighborhood, city and information about local politicians.

For information regarding our website, please contact Tom Howe.

Colony Woods Homeowners Association
Annual Open Board Meeting— March 5, 2007

Special Guests and Presentations:

K. Sanders welcomed and introduced long time Colony Woods' resident, Bill Mechler who presented to the larger group on the 100th Anniversary of Lenexa – 1907 is the year Lenexa was incorporated. There will be a full week of events May 5 – 12, 2007. For detailed information on this anniversary event, go to www.lenexa100.com or contact Mr. Mechler.

K. Sanders welcomed and introduced Lenexa council member, Amy Slater, and, another long time resident and Lenexa council member, Dan Sullivan. Mr. Sullivan and Ms. Slater updated the group on Lenexa city projects. Several projects discussed were: The Lenexa City Center, Ranger Recreation Programs, 87th Street bridge and road construction to Pflumm Road, Lake Lenexa and the "low activity" park (not yet named) west of Resurrection cemetery on 83rd Street. For information on these or any other Lenexa projects, go to www.lenexacitycenter.org.

K. Sanders welcomed and introduced David Lewis-Jones, Lenexa Police Department. Officer Lewis-Jones provided a report on police activity in Colony Woods from January 1 – March 5, 2007. For the most part, there were only minor incidents. He also indicated that there are no problems to speak of in the Lenexa elementary schools. There is some gang activity at Trailridge Middle School; however, the DARE and school resource officers truly make a difference. The On-line Intranet Sex Crime Unit has experienced a lot of success over the last year. If you have any questions on these or other issues, please call Officer Lewis-Jones at 913-477-7245, or e-mail dlewis-jones@ci.lenexa.ks.us. Another great resource is <http://www.ci.lenexa.ks.us/police/index.html>.

Opening Remarks: K. Sanders reiterated the primary 2007 goal for the Colony Woods' Board is to update the deeds and restrictions. The board will need the help of all residents to accomplish this goal.

Committee Reports**Architectural Review:**

T. Devine reported that several home improvement requests have been granted and one is pending and not likely to be approved. With spring quickly approaching, he anticipates a increase in home improvement request forms being submitted. Tim reminded the audience that the Home Improvement and the Roofing Request forms can be found on the Colony Woods website. A discussion was held regarding posting a generic list of approved home improvement materials on the website. Tim indicated he would pull together a list for consideration. The CW attorney continues legal work regarding installation of the unapproved roofs in the neighborhood.

Beautification:

L. Brisson reported on entrance improvements:

Replacement of the photo sensor at 83rd street - currently the light stays on constantly.

Installation of permanent light timers at both entrances - to be used for holiday lights.

Clean-up and maintenance of the sidewalk area along 83rd street. As the summer progresses, the weeds get worse and they'll keep on top of this.

Improvements at the pool include:

Installation of timers on the switches that control the lighting around the cabana.

Planting of flowers around the pool and in the decorative pots surrounding the pool.

Hospitality:

Donna Linderer reported that she now has everything she needs to "get going" and has several new neighbors to visit. If there are any neighbors who have not officially been welcome, please let Donna know. She currently is assembling "welcome bags." If anyone has a business card, coupons or products to share, Donna will include them in the welcome bags. To pass along new neighbor information or to provide welcome bag items, call Donna at 492-5268. The new directory still is in the making.

**Colony Woods Homeowners Association
Annual Open Board Meeting minutes, continued**

Newsletter:

D. Weishaar reported that when there is nothing to publish, he will not provide a newsletter. The newsletters are available either by mail or e-mail. CW newsletter does not include business promotions. However, you are welcome to brag about grandkids, graduations, weddings etc.

Pool Committee:

K. Sanders reported that while we are still confirming, we believe we have a Pool Committee chair person for 2007. Kevin also reported that the 2007 Pool contract is already in place, no new pool furniture is needed, and a pool clean-up date will be announced soon. A suggestion was made to hold a clean-up on a Friday night instead of the first Saturday in May when lots of spring sports kick-off. A better date is under consideration.

Social Committee:

S. Sanders reported that Social Committee co-chair will be a two year term with Jen Runyon chairing in 2007 and Suzanne Sanders chairing in 2008. The Social Committee is always in need of help, please don't hesitate to volunteer. A Cinco de Mayo event is planned for May 5th. See the newsletter for news on this and future events.

Treasurers:

G. Quackenbush reported only eight homes remain with unpaid 2007 dues (two homes for sale and one absentee owner). Reminder letters have been sent.

A recap of several 2007 treasury changes:

- The Pool Sinking fund was reinvested in CDs
- The checking account was switched to one with no fees/charges
- The savings account was switched to one with a higher rate of return.

If anyone has an interest in seeing the budget, please contact Glen.

Website:

T. Howe reported lots of Lenexa website links have been added to the CW website, www.ourcolonywoods.com as well as a secure area that allows only Lenexa residents to search for other Lenexa residents by name or address. If have questions or have something to post on the website contact Tom at 888-5723 or tomhowe@everestkc.net.

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

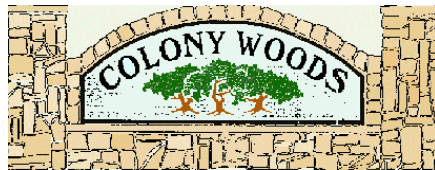
Calendar of Events:

April 12 Social Committee Meeting

April 21 Lenexa E-Waste

May 5 Cinco de Mayo Party

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