



Community Association

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The President's Corner

As is typical this time of year, it seems that time slips away much too quickly. Festival season downtown is already underway, and a few block parties have been held. I hope everyone has an opportunity to take some time to relax, enjoy the warm weather and get out and meet some new neighbors and make some new friends.

Sincerely,
John Bobilya

Watersong Web Page

As a reminder, the Watersong web page can be found at www.watersongfw.org. Our covenants, newsletters, meeting minutes and other important information are hosted there. Feel free to check it out. We do our best to keep this up to date, if you see something that is out of date or have a suggestion to make it more useful, please let a board member know.

Care Committee

Peg Nesseth is in charge of sending cards to Watersong residents in the event of illness, death or birth. Please contact Peg at 704-1920 or at rpnesseth@ymail.com if you know of a resident who should be acknowledged.

Resident News

We would like to acknowledge the following new residents to the Watersong Community and extend a warm welcome to each of you. We hope that you feel comfortable in your new home and neighborhood. If you have any questions regarding our neighborhood, don't hesitate to contact one of our Board members.

Andrew and Taryn Bretz – Jade Cove
Bob and Karen Sierks - Regatta Place
Annette Abels – Brandon Way
Robert Flagg – Sailors Cove

Watersong Spring Open Board Meeting

The Watersong Board of Directors held an open board meeting on Monday, April 24 at Maple Creek Middle School. Board members gave important updates on a variety of issues. We also held a vigorous discussion on the Covenants Change Proposal regarding overnight

parking in the driveways. After both sides had an opportunity to voice their respective cases, a vote was held on the proposal. As was noted in the Minutes that were distributed, sufficient certified votes were cast to block the adoption of the proposal. If you were unable to attend, we really encourage you to try to attend the fall open meeting held in October (exact date to be announced). It is a great way to get to know some of your neighbors and get connected with what's happening in your neighborhood. We thank all of you who took the time to come out to the meeting.

Also, we encourage anyone who would be interested in becoming a board member to attend the fall meeting to get your name in the hat for the annual fall elections. Please let our secretary, Joy Bodine know if you are interested in getting your name on the fall ballot.

OPEN POSITION: Newsletter Chairperson(s)

After numerous years of publishing our newsletters, Barb & Doug McCoy have recently resigned from this position. We extend our thanks to them for all of their help over these years. If someone is interested in taking up this important responsibility, please notify a board member.

Friendly Reminders

E-Mail List: If you change your e-mail address, please let our secretary Joy Bodine know at 338-1965 or joybodine@gmail.com. We communicate primarily with our residents via e-mail, and we make every effort to keep our data base up to date. As fellow neighbors, we value and strive to protect the privacy of your e-mail addresses. They are used strictly for Watersong communication and are never given to other organizations or businesses. We also request that everyone respects the privacy of your neighbors by not using our email list for any business reason.

Service Providers: If you have any questions or request for any of our service providers (Landscape, Pond Champs, etc.), please contact a board member so that

we can make sure your request goes to the proper person for a response.

Pets: We appreciate our pet owners' continued use of leashes and cleaning up after their pets during walks around our scenic neighborhood.

Trees: Please keep the trees along the sidewalks trimmed up at least 6' above the sidewalks so "ducking" under low hanging branches is not required. The trees planted in the park strips over the years have grown significantly and require periodic trimming. If you need assistance trimming the trees in your yard or park-strip that overhang the sidewalks, don't hesitate to contact our VP of Maintenance who will recruit some help. We appreciate your assistance!

Trash Containers: Please keep all trash containers inside the garage when not set out for collection as required by Article VII, Section 15 of our covenants. If this is not possible, keeping the containers out of sight from the street and secured would be appreciated. This helps eliminate smelly trash bins as an "attractive nuisance" for stray dogs, rodents or other wild animals in our neighborhood.

Cars / Trailers: Cars and trailers should be parked in the garage whenever possible as required by Article VII, Section 37 of our covenants. This helps reduce crime in our area by minimizing "targets" for thieves. A lower crime rate results in higher property values. If a vehicle cannot be parked in the garage, temporarily parking it in the driveway rather than the street and keeping it locked reduces the risk of break-ins or vandalism.

Upcoming Activities

Due to the change of venue at Ted's Market, the time and space will no longer work for us. We have searched other options and have decided to make our regular meeting place at Earth Fare on the first Thursday of each month at 10:00. Occasionally, one of the residents will volunteer to hold coffee in her home. You will be notified of the coffee by email each month. You are all welcome to contact Lynn Kurek at: mlynnkurek@gmail.com, or 437-7795, if you have any questions or suggestions for future activities.

Trash & Recycling

If you do not currently recycle and you are interested in that service, please contact Doug Miller at 908-6589.

Watersong ARCH Info

Please note that Richard Nesseth is the contact for project approval requests. His contact information appears in the project approval request form attached to this newsletter.

Financial Update for 2017

We are nearing the half way point of calendar year 2017 and we continue to enjoy an excellent financial status. To date we have only paid a small percentage of the mowing expenses and have not yet received any billings on the mulching. While these will be large expenditures I do not anticipate expenses beyond our budgeted amounts. If expenses continue to stay near our budgeted amounts we will again finish the current year in excellent financial shape. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns about the financial statements. My phone number is 415-5291 and my email address is jaugs224@gmail.com.

John Augsburger, Treasurer

Recent Block Party Pictures:



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BOARD MEMBERS:

John Bobilya	President	637-8419 (h)	jbslim@aol.com
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Joy Bodine	Secretary	338-1965 (c)	joybodine@gmail.com
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Doug Miller – Refuse/Recycling Contact
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OPEN – Newsletter Chairpersons

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Richard Nesseth –Architectural Committee Chairperson
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Joy Bodine – Window cleaning Contact
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Lynn Kurek – Activities Committee Chairperson
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Watersong Architectural Control Committee Project Approval Request Form

Please fill out the information below and submit to:

Richard Nesseth
12907 Schooner Dr.
Fort Wayne, IN 46845
260- 704-1920
rpnesseth@ymail.com

Requestor: Name: _____ Date: _____
Street Address: _____ Lot#: _____
Phone #: _____ Email: _____
Expected Start Date: _____ Expected Complete Date: _____

Type of Project (check one): Landscaping: _____ External Structural Improvements: _____
Building Permits Obtained / Required: _____
Contractors & Phone #s: _____

Guidelines: Materials used should be consistent and harmonious with existing dwelling materials. Landscape design shall be harmonious and compatible with other dwellings. Building setbacks and utility easements must not be infringed upon. All plans must be approved by the ARCH committee prior to start of improvements. Please refer to the Watersong Covenants for further details.

Description of project (include material lists, sketches, photos, and contractor drawings as required, including rough dimensions, use additional pages as necessary):