

Watersong Community Association Newsletter

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The President's Corner

This past year has taught me patience again. I am always hopeful that each year will be better than the last. However, I have many things to be thankful for and one of them is the neighborhood that my wife and I live in. I appreciate so much the people who live in Watersong. You have been kind to me when you have had questions. Thank you for understanding during this year as we have made the transition to our management company - Sunrise Property Management.

I wish to thank our outstanding board members who carry the load. I want to thank our previous treasurer, Mick Sokolowski for the work that he put in each year and Ron Neuenschwander for the many years he served on the board in various offices.

I welcome John Bobilya again to our board and Ruth Richardson who will be our secretary - treasurer.

God bless all of you, and lets work together to make Watersong the best it can be.

Have a Happy and Safe New Year.

Sincerely Richard Nesseth President, Watersong Community Association

Watersong Web Page

The legacy Watersong web page will be transitioned to a new site (portal) hosted by Sunrise Property Management. They maintain a more interactive portal where each resident can set up an account to access documents and pay their periodic dues. Everyone should've received an email with instructions for setting up your account. The login page for this portal is at <u>https://sunrisepropmgt.appfolio.com/connect</u>. If you have not yet signed up for an account, follow the "Request Access to Portal" link on the login page. We will 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 If you see something that is out of date or have a suggestion to make it more useful, please contact a board member or Sunrise Property Management.

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 <u>*rpnesseth@ymail.com*</u> 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 in 2022 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.

Ruth Richardson Amol and Sujata Dhurandhar Andrew and Lisa Rossi Hemin and Awaz Falih Mohammed



Watersong Fall Open Board Meeting & Elections

In the fall we met at Maple Creek Middle School on 9/27/22. We had a very good attendance. We announced two new board members and conducted our meeting. Please visit the portal to get the minutes from that and prior meetings.

The board would like to express our sincere gratitude for 10 years of service on the WCA board by Ron Neuenschwander. Your guidance and support are greatly appreciated.



Sidewalk Improvements

The county has completed the cross-walk improvements around our neighborhood. The board also approved an expenditure of \$5000 to fix two sections of common-area sidewalk between ponds A and B that were heaving near the park-strip tree roots and were unsafe. Since this work was completed in conjunction with the cross-walk improvements, we were able to save a substantial expense.

Friendly Reminders

E-Mail List: If you change your e-mail address, please let our secretary Ruth Richardson know at 260-414-8706 or at <u>ladyrxr@gmail.com</u>.

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 requests for any of our service providers i.e. (Blades of Fury, Pond Champs, etc.), please contact <u>Sunrise Property Management</u> (260-625-6605).

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

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. 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 you have more vehicles than your garage can hold, temporarily parking it in the driveway rather than on the street and keeping it locked reduces the risk of break-ins or vandalism.

Fireworks: Please be sure your fireworks displays are safe and in accordance with Article VII, Section 9 of our covenants which states in part that the "Subdivision adopts the same rules for the use of fireworks as the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana: Fireworks may be used only between 5 p.m. and two hours after dusk (approximately 11 p.m.) from June 29 - July 3 and July 5 - 9. On the day before Memorial Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, the day before Labor Day and Labor Day, the hours are extended from 10 a.m. – to midnight. For New Year's Eve, the hours are 10 a.m. Dec. 31 until 1 a.m., Jan. 1. Use of fireworks in the Subdivision must also comply with Indiana Code IC 22-11-14." If debris from your fireworks land on neighboring property, please be a good neighbor by picking up the debris. And please don't launch fireworks from public streets. Your neighbors will thank you.

Speed: Please watch your speed while traveling through our addition. We appreciate you staying below the legal limit of 30 MPH for the safety of our residents and children.

Social Activities

2022 January-Coffee at Dodie Wilmer's home February, March, April-Coffee at Rise & Roll May-Coffee at Dodie's June-Annual Garage Sale & Tea Room in Huntington July-Coffee at Peggy Nesseth's home August-Bisque it and lunch at Salsa Grill September-Coffee at Rise and Roll October-Progressive Dinner November-Coffee at Rise and Roll & Bisque it and lunch at Salsa Grill December-Cookie Exchange at Mary Sokolowski's home

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January-A lovely brunch at Dodie's home was enjoyed by all February-Will be at Rise & Roll

March-Have you ever wondered why your meat and cheese plates look so bland? What is a charcuterie board anyway? Brenda Neuenschwander will be sharing hacks and tips and together we will make and share a proper charcuterie board. Details to follow in February.

A special thank you to the ladies who stepped up to continue the coffees while I was dealing with a personal matter last year; Peggy Nesseth, Mary Sokolowski and Lunette Augsburger. All is well now and I'm looking forward to seeing you at our coffees on the first Friday of each month.

Jan Kinane / 616-834-8967 / artkinane@gmail.com

Trash & Recycling

If you do not currently recycle and you are interested in that service, please contact <u>Sunrise Property Management</u> (260-625-6605).



Watersong ARCH Info

Please note that <u>Sunrise Property Management</u> takes care of any new construction project approvals at your home. A project approval request form is available on <u>their portal</u>.

Financial Update for 2022

Sunrise Property Management will be contacting all residences directly regarding periodic dues.

Everything is in good shape regarding the financials for our association. Our expenses to date have been budgeted and/or been paid out of retained funds. We have had good cooperation from the residents in paying the association dues. Thank you for that. There are still a few expenses for which we have not yet been invoiced, but we will still finish 2022 in very good financial condition.

We currently offer automatic drafts to increase payment options for the Association dues. If you are interested in taking advantage of that, please contact us.

Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns about the financial statements which can be found on the <u>Sunrise Property Management</u> portal.

Ruth Richardson / 260-414-8706 / ladyrxr@gmail.com.

WATERSONG COMMUNITY LEADER GUIDE

BOARD MEMBERS:

Position	Name	Phone #	Email
President	Richard Nesseth	260-438-3529 (cell)	rpnesseth@ymail.com
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Member	Jan Kinane	260-637-4080 (home)	artkinane@gmail.com
Member	Larry Banks	260-402-5777	ljbanks95@msn.com
Member	John Bobilya	260-312-3478 (cell)	jbslim@aol.com

For other help regarding our association please call our Property Managers at: <u>Sunrise Property Management</u> / 260-625-6605

STANDING COMMITTEE CHAIRS and SERVICE CONTACTS:

Committee	Chair	Phone #	Email
Care	Peggy Nesseth	260-704-1920	rpnesseth@ymail.com
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Lawn/Snow			
Removal Contact			
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Contact	Management	200-023-0003	https://sunrisepropmgt.appfolio.com/connect
Window			
Washing Contact			

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