Walden Woods Community News

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We thank you and a tree thanks you!

There will be a "Community Garden Kick-Off" meeting April 2nd at 7:00 PM at the Meeting House.

Come with questions, suggestions, and your \$ 25.00 plot fee if you plan to have a garden this year. We will set up a work day, talk about garden rules, and meet new gardeners.

Refreshments will be served. Hope to see you there.



WHO ARE YOU GOING TO CALL?

Who are you going to call when your sidewalk is snow covered and you live in the Village, Duplex or Townhomes Council?

Who are you going to call when a sprinkler head is broken?

Who are you going to call to report a problem at the pool?

Elite Property Management!

Our property manager is Chris Kohnle, 860 758-7773 or 888 666-3800. His email is <u>chris@epmllc.com</u>.



GET ANSWERS at www.waldenwoodsct.com!

Have you ever wondered who to call about a landscape issue? Have you ever wanted to know what the rules are about the use of the pool? Have you ever forgotten when the next meeting of your council is to take place?

The Walden Woods website has all these answers and many more. The Communications Committee does its best to make it easy to find what you are looking for, right from the Home Page. There are banners on the left of the page to lead you to major sections. There are links in the main text that take you to the most widely used subsections. Please give it a try.

RECREATION AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE UPDATE

So what has happened since our last report? In November our focus was on putting together the annual Walden Woods calendar. Under the capable hands of Diane Drew, community pictures were collected from Walden Woods residents, they were juried and selected, and the production was completed. We produced a calendar with a beautiful collection of seasonal photos, covering many aspects of our community. We truly have a talented group of amateur photographers in our midst. Twenty- three calendars were either sold or given away. If you contribute a photo that is selected for next year's calendar, you'll receive a free calendar. So start snapping now. We need pictures from all seasons.

December's focus was on holiday parties. As usual, the Children's party was a success, although the numbers were down from last year. There are always lots of competing events this time of year, so attendance is difficult to gauge. The Adult holiday party was well attended and, as usual, there were many laughs when we did the Yankee gift swap. Everyone kept their sense of humor and relationships stayed intact. © The New Year's Eve party was cancelled due to lack of attendance.

Next on the docket was our Soup-er Bowl party. This was the brainstorm of Barry Towers and a first-time event. We lost Barry in December. A stalwart member of Walden Woods and a firm believer in the power of building community, Barry lent his time to Walden Woods in many capacities. He will be truly missed. In honor of his passing, we chose to continue with the Soup-er Bowl event. Many showed up and the food was varied and plentiful. Barry would have been pleased.

On March 3 we will again be hosted by Zocco's for their wonderful Pasta Bar evening. Unlimited

pasta at a fixed price, with beer and wine also at special prices. Make sure you let Diane Drew (<u>drewdgd@comcast.net</u>, 860-219-9093) know if you plan to attend.

Other events in the planning stages include a Family Game Night in March, the annual Spring Fling and Egg Hunt in April, a Pot Luck dinner in May, and of course the annual Pool Opening party on Memorial Day weekend – we can't wait for that, not to mention warmer weather. And way down the road – the Dog Show and Parade of Bikes. We learned a lot from last year's inaugural event. This year's will be even better.

Last but not least, we would like to welcome the latest members to the Recreation & Social Committee team – Stephanie McKinney and her son Gabe. Stephanie has jumped in with both feet and brought a burst of energy and ideas to the team. We do enjoy ourselves! And we constantly renew our commitment to building a sense of community at Walden Woods. We are always looking for new members who share our joy in bringing these varied events to the community. If you want to join us, simply show up at one of our meetings, which are held at the Meeting House on the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm. We hope to see you there. For more info contact Roland Bernier at rbernier73@gmail.com.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Are you interested in joining a women's bible study group? The first meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 18 at 7pm at the home of Diane Bernier, 17 Haskins Road. Reply to Diane at 860-219-1419 or email <u>dmsbernier@gmail.com</u>.