# Walden Woods Community News

#### November, 2014

#### 2015 Conservancy Board

At the annual meetings of the councils held in September, the following were elected as Council Board Directors for 2015:

#### Duplex

Diane Bernier, re-elected Kathleen Tracy, elected Vacancy

Ridge Brian Onessimo, re-elected

#### Townhome

Adele Clark, elected (also vacancy for 2014) Glenn Brand, re-elected Sue Raupach, re-elected

#### Village

Joe Palladino, re-elected Pat Tanner, elected Peter DeBisschop, elected

#### Woodmoor

Andrew Lattimer, re-elected Cori-Lynn Webber, re-elected

The terms of those elected begin at the conclusion of the 2014 Annual Meeting of Unit Owners in December.

#### Committee Chairs for 2015 are:

Welcome - Ruth Johnson Environmental - Glenn Brand, Board Liaison Social & Rec - Stephanie McKinney Meeting House - Peter DeBisschop Communications - Peter DeBisschop Standards - Patricia Murray Garden - Diane Bernier, Board Liaison Documents – Cori-Lynn Webber, Board Liaison

#### **Annual Meeting**

The Annual Meeting of the Unit Owners of Walden Woods is scheduled for Wednesday December 17 at 7:00 p.m. The primary purpose of the Annual Meeting is to vote on the 2015 Conservancy and Council Operating and Capital Expenditure/Reserve budgets.

#### Have You Noticed?

As we close 2014, a series of capital expenditures are being completed. The stone walls near the pool and the Walden Meadow Road entrance have been capped. The cement cap prevents water and ice from entering the top of the wall. This preserves the stonework.

The roof on the pool cabanas and the entrance structure are being replaced. The tennis court at the pool is being repaired.

The Conservancy Board approved these expenditures in accordance with the 2014 budget and the Reserve Study.

#### **Pickleball at Walden Woods**

This fall, several Walden Woods residents enjoyed one of the fastest growing sports in the country. Pickleball is played on a court that is about twothirds the size of a tennis court. It is played with a paddle and a wiffle ball. Check it out on YouTube.

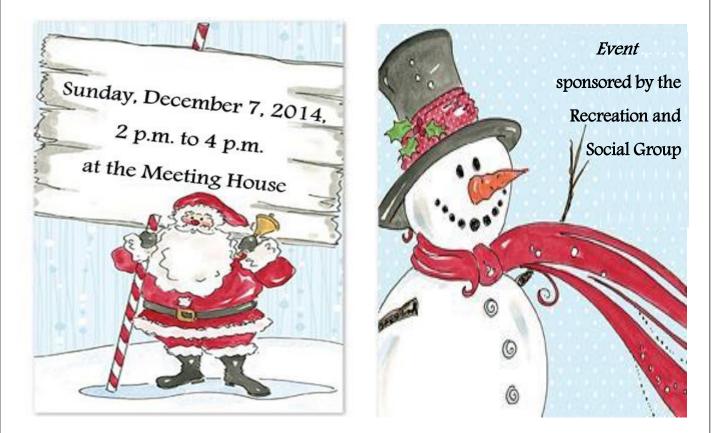
Our season was short, but we will be back at it in the spring. If you are interested in playing this winter, pickleball is being played three times a week at the Windsor Senior Center. Call Peter DeBisschop at 860-601-6098 for details.

### The Walden Woods Social Committee cordially invites you



If interested in participating in a Yankee Swap to take place at 8 p.m., please bring a wrapped gift (value not to exceed \$15)

## The Walden Woods Kid's Holiday Party Come join the fun! Refreshments provided.



Santa will be arriving and collecting letters from the children and responding personally to all letters. Please join us for crafts & movies!

Questions? Contact Dick or Joyce Armstrong at 860-285-0803.

#### Walden Woods Reserve Study

A 30-year Reserve Study was completed in 2011. The report by an outside consulting firm outlines the capital expenditures and reserve contributions suggested for the Conservancy and each Council (except Woodmoor.) The Reserve Study provides the foundation for the Reserve Budgets each year. The Reserve Study is reviewed each year by the Conservancy and Council Boards and spending is revised as is necessary.

An electronic copy of the plan is available to unit owners upon request at: waldenwoodsct@gmail.com

#### **Special Program for Seniors**

If you are over 70, you might be interested in attending a special program being offered by Bob Ellis that takes a look back at the '40's and '50's when life was slower and simpler with a different set of values. "The Good Ol' Days" is a PowerPointsupported presentation that is a combination of nostalgia, trivia, history, sing along and interactive discussion. The program is free and covers everything from life on the home front during WW II, to fashion, radio shows (with embedded audio), early TV shows, movies, literature (including the comics), music and the people and events that were part of everyone's life back then.

Bob performed more than a thousand hours of research in developing this multi-session program that spans a total of six hours and more than 500 slides. He has presented it at the Seabury Retirement Community, at senior centers in Farmington and Enfield, and most recently, at the Windsor Public Library. The response he received was overwhelmingly positive, and he is now willing to make the same presentation at the Meeting House for Walden Woods seniors - **if there's enough interest.** 

If you want to take a trip back to the "Good Ol' Days", contact Bob at 860-688-5949 or pollyandbob@sbcglobal.net.