

Wooded Glen, Section I Homeowners' Association, Inc.

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NEWSLETTER

ANNUAL YARD SALE/PICNIC

Thanks to all who helped to make the annual picnic such a tremendous success this year. Special thanks to Dave and Beth Samec for offering their backyard for the new attraction—the moon bounce. We also appreciate Brian LePak and his kids and nephew for being such great hosts and cooks. This year's event would not have been possible for their efforts and the efforts of both Debbie McCrory and Beth Samec. If you have any suggestions for next year's event(s), please call Debbie McCrory, Social Chair, at 703-349-2010.

HOW TO CHANGE THE EXTERIOR OF YOUR HOUSE

Does the color of your house need a change? Do you wish you had a back deck or yard fence or do you want to change the one you have? Do you have a tree that needs to be removed? If so, then you have to request approval of the exterior change of your house from the Architectural Control Committee (ACC). The Wooded Glen guidelines state: *"Applications shall be submitted to the Committee in an original plus five copies or electronically at acc@woodedglenhoa.org. Applications shall contain detailed drawings of changes to be made. Such drawings shall clearly indicate the location of existing structures, and property boundary lines."*

The approval process is fairly simple; use the [form](#) located on our website at or write a letter explaining exactly what you want to do, add a drawing, and if painting is involved, submit a sample of the color(s). Then e-mail the request or deliver the original request and 5 copies to the Chairperson of the ACC, Mr. Stephen Smith is currently continuing to act until his replacement is named; he

is located at 6533 Novak Woods Court. He will circulate your request to the other members of the ACC and get back to you within a few weeks. Written approval of changes, additions or improvements to your home is a requirement of our Homeowners Association. To review the requirements in detail, see the link to the [Architectural Guidelines](#) on our web site at <http://woodedglenhoa.org/>.

ISSUES OF CONCERN

One of our long-term homeowners has raised three issues of concern that he/she wanted to see placed in the newsletter:

1. Pet owners not picking up after their pets
2. Newspapers and bottles and cans left lying in the street in the gutters along the curb directly in front of homeowners' houses that the homeowner can easily pick up and drop in the trash
3. Speeding on Wooded Glen Avenue

"Homeowners need to be made aware of these issues and asked for their cooperation in maintaining the appearance and sanitary conditions of Wooded Glen. Why homeowners are willing to leave newspapers and cans laying in front of their houses is beyond me. We are talking about appearance of our neighborhood and, in effect, home values, which have already dropped substantially because of the economy. Dear Neighbors, Please help!" from an anonymous neighbor.

SUMMER IS THE BEST TIME

Congratulations on persevering through the coldest and snowiest winter on record. We really

deserve the warm weather. Of course, with springtime and summer come lots of outside chores. This is the perfect time of year to take a fresh look at the outside of your house and evaluate if repairs or maintenance needs to be performed. Your Wooded Glen Homeowner's Association Board is working to ensure our home values continue to increase. We are looking at several ways to make improvements to the overall appearance of our neighborhood. You can do your part to help us make our community even better. Here are a few things that will make a big difference:

Keep your front yard free of debris, newspapers and trash that may have accumulated along the curb. When you pick up your mail it's the perfect time to take a look around your yard.

Make needed repairs to your home or hire a reputable contractor to do the work. Don't forget to get approval for changes, in advance, through the Architectural Control Committee.

If you own a dog and go for a walk through the neighborhood, please pick up behind your pet. Take 2 plastic bags with you on every walk just to be sure you are prepared. Not only is it the law to pick up behind your pet but it can dramatically reduce the spread of disease. If you see someone not taking appropriate measures to pick up behind their pet, offer them a plastic bag – they'll get the hint.

Trim bushes and trees that may have been damaged by the winter weather. Also, trim any bushes that are encroaching on the sidewalk. We want to encourage kids to run and ride their bikes on the sidewalk – not the street.

Retrieve your trash containers and recycling bins promptly on the day that pickup occurs. Store your trash container along the side of your house, out of view or inside the garage.

Together we can make our community an even better place to live and be proud of. Thank you for doing your part.

BROKEN TRASH BARRELS

A number of homeowners have reported broken or damaged AAA trash barrels. If yours is

damaged and you would like it replaced, please contact AAA Recycling and Trash Services at 703-818-8222 from 8-4:30 Monday-Friday. They will ask you to leave out the broken container one day during the week and replace it free of charge. If you are experiencing difficulty with AAA's service, please contact one of the WGHOA Board members.

SELLING YOUR HOME

When selling your home you (or your Realtor) will need to request an HOA packet from the board. The cost is \$150.00 (check payable to Wooded Glen Section 1 HOA) and once payment is received, the packet will be prepared. The packet will be available for pick-up within 10 days from payment receipt. The HOA packet includes a variety of information for the new homeowners, such as the Association's Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws, budget, notice of current or pending architectural violations, and architectural guidelines.

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