

LOCAL BREAK-INS ARE EVERYONE'S BUSINESS!

There were many home and auto break-ins this summer in New Berlin and Muskego. One was as close as Mystic and Woods Roads. It was reported that these are crimes of opportunity with entry being made through open doors or windows. Please watch the city of Muskego Web Site for an upcoming map of break-in locations, along with a blog. Sharing information and watching out for our neighbors is the first step in deterring this activity from our neighborhood. Some suggestions made by the police include: lock all doors on homes and autos and do not leave valuables in plain site in your autos.

One reported technique used was ringing the doorbell. If no one answered, they entered through an open door or window. Please call the police with any suspicious behavior. The overnight hours was when most of these acts took place. Fortunately, our Muskego Police made several arrests in recent months.

To use the fastest method of communication to all residents, the Board sent an e-mail to alert residents when this occurred. Therefore, please ensure that your e-mail address is current with the association. To receive these important messages.

UPCOMING ANNUAL MEETING:

Our upcoming annual meeting will take place the third Tuesday of January. Last year everyone was prepared with proxies and the meeting from start to finish was completed in record time. We appreciate those association members that came with proxies to establish a quorum resulting in a prompt start.

Prior to the next annual meeting, you will receive your meeting notice, agenda, and attached proxy. The board will also post reminder signs at the subdivision entrances to remind all members of the meeting. It is very easy to get caught up in busy daily routines and forget about the annual meeting, but we hope the added reminders will obtain the required attendance or proxies well in advance of the meeting in order to conduct association business.

If you have topics for the board to address at the annual meeting, please submit your concern in writing to a board member no later than December 1, 2009 to be placed on the meeting agenda.

We hope to see you at the annual meeting, and we wish everyone a pleasant holiday season and healthy new year.

Quietwood Creek Homeowners
Association, Inc. Board Members

Website:

Residents can visit our website at www.quietwoodcreek.com for information. The site contains the annual meeting minutes, recent newsletters, the Deed Restrictions, the Association By-Laws, and the Rules and Regulations for Quietwood Creek Subdivision.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact a board member with your concerns.

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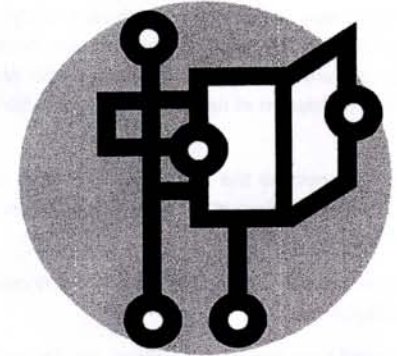
We hope you find this neighborhood newsletter helpful. Your comments and suggestions are welcomed.

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FALL/WINTER NEWSLETTER 2009



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**PROMOTING A POSITIVE
COMMUNITY SPIRIT**

NEWSLETTER, FALL/WINTER 2009

Dear Fellow Neighbors,

This has been a busy and productive year. While cooler and dryer than usual, this summer allowed many picnics and sporting events to go on without rain dates. I hope everyone had an opportunity to take advantage of the great weather as I did. During this past year, your board of directors were very busy attending to activities you may or may not know about. To keep you all informed, here's what's been happening around our neighborhood:

- In an effort to get drivers to slow down in the neighborhood, there are five, bright yellow, signs in the subdivision notifying people to "Slow Down/Children Playing." Board member, Ellen Follansbee worked diligently with the City of Muskego Public Works Department to make this happen at no cost to the association. Way to go Ellen!

- You may have noticed the red, white, and blue banner flags around the monument pillars at the subdivision entrances on major summer holidays.

- A few new plants were put into the Janesville entryway to replace dead or missing plants.

- A team of board members and volunteer, Jim Backes moved Day Lilly plants from the Janesville entry that needed thinning, to the Woods Rd. entry. The transplant team was speedy and effective. We also thank Joan Richter for her assistance in maintaining the Woods Rd. entrance.

- The board was involved with zoning compliance issues at the Woods Rd. entrance. A neighbor with a business was using residential streets for parking business vehicles. Our alderman, Kert Harenda was a great help in overcoming this matter and maintaining our residential atmosphere here in Quietwood Creek Subdivision.

- The swale repair completed last year in the large common area has worked as planned. Surface water once again runs off and drains to the proper culverts. We have planned for another drainage repair that has been prevalent for the past four years. The water draining from the woods between Bur Oak Ct. and Quietwood Ct. pools behind yards and fails to drain to the culvert. Therefore, that task is planned for early 2010.

- This spring there was a fire set in our beautiful woods. This was not the controlled burn performed by City personnel, but a deliberately set fire. The stand of trees between Bur Oak and Quietwood Courts is considered an old growth forest and dates back to before 1941. It is one of the oldest stand of trees in Muskego. We should do everything to protect this valuable amenity in our neighborhood.

- Along with your board members, this past year several neighbors volunteered to help with subdivision concerns. I want to take this opportunity to extend my personal thank you to my fellow board members and to the following neighbors for giving their personal time and efforts to neighborhood concerns: Jim Backus, Joan Richter, Ewald Schmidt and Mike Zipperer.

- Respectfully,

Carol Jilek, President

Reminder: If you plan on any building or adding to your homesite, be sure to deliver your plans to a board member to get written Architectural Control Approval. Thank you.

Topics of Concern

Your Board of Directors met regularly and discussed several items of concern for the neighborhood. A couple of the following items are repeats from the prior issue, but they are worth mentioning for safety, as well as for the new residents to Quietwood Creek Subdivision.

Leaf Burning: Many of the neighbors abut natural lands with beautiful trees, but in the fall we are blessed with fallen leaves. The burning of leaves is subject to City ordinance regulations as follows:

" - Burning of any materials of any kind within 20 feet of water courses, lake shores, or drainage ditches is prohibited.

- Burning of dry brush, dry leaves, and dry plant material is allowed provided winds are less than 15 MPH and the direction of wind is away from buildings.

- Fires must be 30 feet from buildings, utility poles, or overhead wires. - Sufficient fire fighting implements and personnel shall be available at the scene while burning is in progress.

- No person shall burn garbage, paper, or building debris.

- Be considerate of neighbors. If annoying smoke complaints are received, the Police Department will order the fire extinguished."

Source: City of Muskego website: www.ci.muskego.wi.us

Leaf Pickup: Leaf pick up (and only leaves) starts the fourth week of October and ends the last week of November. The pick up starts on the north side of the City, working to the south side. Check the city website for more detail, or contact the Public Works Department at 262-679-4128 with your questions.

More Topics of Concern

Snow Removal: Muskego City ordinance #452;1-11-83(b) states: "No person shall put snow by any means onto any public street, roadway or thoroughfare. This section shall not apply to municipal snowplows."

The bike/walking path through the subdivision does not get plowed or shoveled during the winter season.

Grass Clippings: While most of the lawn mowing is done for the season, residents should NOT leave grass clippings in the road because they end up in the ponds. The board is doing what we can to minimize the growth of plants and nutrients to the ponds to avoid dredging as long as possible. Also, avoiding phosphorous-based fertilizers will also help to decelerate plant growth in the ponds. Compliance with this request is important to us all.

Speed of cars: This was mentioned in the Spring/Summer newsletter and is worthy of repeating. Please contact the Muskego Police Department (262-679-4130) to report speeders, along with any specific times of routine, repeat violators. Safety is everyone's responsibility.

Stop Signs: While enforcement of the law is the job of our police force, residents have noticed that some drivers do not stop at neighborhood stop signs. The police have been contacted and will be watching. Please be sure you are setting the best example for our youngest drivers and pedestrians.

Summer Activities:

Halloween: The annual Quietwood Creek Halloween Trick or Treat will take place on **Friday, October 30, 2009** from 6 to 8 p.m. for all those young at heart neighbors donning their creative costumes. Please be sure to put your drive and/or porch **light on** to greet and to let your ghoulish visitors know they are welcome.

Block Party: The annual block party was held and enjoyed by all those in attendance. Appreciation is extended to the Gerloski family and friends for organizing this fun-filled event.

Neighborhood Rummage Sale: The annual neighborhood rummage sale was a success for all participants. We again thank those devoted organizers who put this event together for their fellow neighbors. The participants are already setting aside treasurers for next year's event.

The activities listed above are not

Association-sponsored activities.