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## Letter from the President

Dear Woodland Hills Homeowners,

Last month I mentioned that a Nominating Committee will be appointed by the board to flush out all of you who are anxious to step up and serve our neighborhood on the Woodland Hills Homeowners Association Board of Directors. Kay Allen and Malinda Hall, both past Board members, have agreed to serve on this vital committee. They will be joined by an as yet unnamed current board member who will chair this committee.

I'm encouraged to report that Linda Bond and Lance Andrews have indicated their desire to join the board. They'll attend the August board meeting to meet the rest of the board and become familiarized with the business of the Association. In the October newsletter I'll tell you what their board responsibilities will be.

The board has discussed that the three year board terms may be a hindrance to recruiting new board members. Further, we are discussing amending the Bylaws of the Woodland Hills Homeowners Association Article IV, Section 2: Term of Office. The Bylaws may be amended "at a regular or special meeting of the members, by a majority of a quorum of members present in person or by proxy." Of course, if we decide to proceed we will provide specific information of this proposed change well in advance of the Annual Meeting in February 2008.

As reported in the August Newsletter the Erosion Control Committee met with an engineer regarding changes needed in Melrose Park due to flooding and erosion. We've asked him to revise his bid based on changes in project scope. We're still awaiting his response.

I'd like to pass along information I learned in a recent conversation with Michelle Benton, Animal Control Officer for the City of Colleyville. It is a violation of Colleyville ordinances for dogs to be out of your backyard without being on a leash. There isn't a "leash free zone" in your front yard or in Melrose Park. "Too many residents have gotten hurt by dogs not on leashes in all of my parks here in Colleyville," Michelle said. "If residents are caught in the park walking their dog without a leash I am writing citations with no warning", Michelle continued.

There are also ordinances requiring pet owners to clean up after their pet, even in your own yard because you don't want the odors to offend your neighbors! Excessive barking is also a nuisance and also violates city ordinances.

Finally, I was surprised to learn that dogs and cats are required by city ordinance to have and wear a pet license! Refer to this website, http://www.colleyville.com/content/view/163/179/, for details.

Enough said about pets. Thanks for continuing to be a good neighbor!

Until next time,

### Rick

## **Upcoming Events Please Note!!**

The "Neighbors Night Out" is set for October 9. Previous info indicated the 16th the city moved it to October 9th please adjust your calendars for this important event.



The fall garage sale will be held on September 29th from 8 AM to Noon.

Mark your Calendars Now!

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The Woodland Hills Home Owners Association would like to welcome the following new neighbors:

3500 Crossgate Circle North Charles & Cheryl Grossman

4804 Melrose Park Drive Randell & Kelly Mickan

4001 Martin Parkway Jill Lewis

3904 Pembrooke Parkway West Joseph & Lynn Kalbfleisch

> 3207 Queensbury Way Marvin & Alene Kyrish



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## **Social Update**

Two big events are coming up in the next few weeks. The first is our **garage sale September 29th, from 8 am - 12 p.m.!** This is a great way to clear some stuff out before holiday season starts.

Our second event is National Night Out. Woodland Hills will be hosting our **National Night Out on October 9th**. Please join us, not only will you learn how to make our community safer but you get to meet your neighbors. The event will be held at Melrose Park at 6:30 pm, we will be serving hamburgers and sodas.

Other things for your calendar...

If you missed Bunco night, don't worry we will be playing again **November 8th.** 

We also need to start thinking about our Holiday dine around; if you are willing to host this year please let me know so we can start planning. If you don't want to volunteer your house but can volunteer your time let me know that as well.

- Christie

## Letter from the Editor

Just a quick reminder, of how you as a resident of Woodland Hills can use the newsletter.

Anyone can send in a classified ad to run in the newsletter for free. The classified could be to sell some item that has been taking up space in your garage or attic for a long time, a teen ad for babysitting services, or perhaps you wish to start a monthly Dinner Club.

As the editor I must have everything together in softcopy and sent to the newsletter company no later than the 20th day of the month before the newsletter is to be sent. In order to do this I must have all ads and articles to me via email no later than the 15th of the month, so I can review, edit and format it appropriately and then package it for the newsletter company. My email address is delynn@airmail.net if you have anything you would like to have placed in the newsletter, please forward it to that address.

-Delynn





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## SCHOOL BUS SAFETY

School is back in session as of August 27th. Please be aware of children walking and biking to and from school. Of course, we want all children to be safe and school buses are relatively safe. However, accidents and injuries involving school buses do happen. More often than not these injuries happen when children are entering or exiting the bus. Here are some safety tips for school bus riders.

- Have a safe place to wait for the bus, away from traffic and the street.
- Stay away from the bus until it comes to a complete stop and the driver signals you to enter.
- Hold onto the handrails when entering or exiting the bus.
- Once on the bus, take your seat and remain seated face forward.
- Talk quietly so that you don't distract the driver.
- Never throw things on the bus and keep your hands to yourself.
- When you exit the bus, take ten giant steps away from the bus. When you are closer than 10 feet from the bus, the driver might not see you. This is known as the DANGER ZONE.
- If you forget something on the bus, do not return to the bus to get it. The driver might not see you.
- Be aware of the street traffic around you.
- If you need to cross the street, cross in front of the bus never behind the bus. Motorists should follow safety rules

around school buses. Yellow flashing lights indicate that the bus is preparing to stop. Motorists should slow down and be prepared to stop. Red flashing lights indicate that the bus has stopped and that children are getting on or off. Motorists must stop their cars and wait until the red flashing lights are turned off.

Here are a few more traffic safety tips for motorists.

- When backing out of the driveway or garage, watch out for children.
- When driving through neighborhoods and especially in school zones, watch out for children. Children don't always pay attention to traffic and don't always know that motorists have trouble seeing them.
- Slow down. Watch out for children walking or playing in the street.
- Be alert and ready to stop. Children sometimes dart into the street.





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