

Woodlands edge

Community Association, Inc.

Yards of the Month August 2008



Meadows Edge
12623 Meadows Edge Lane



Woodsgate
9 Woodstream Cove

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Foxfield
13700 Foxfield Lane

Woodlands Edge Community Association– Manager’s Report

It’s hard to believe it’s the middle of August, summer is winding down and kids are going back to school. The pool and clubhouse have gotten lots of use this summer, both during regular pool hours and for private parties. If you have any questions about reserving the clubhouse, rental fees, etc., please contact me.

Our various committees have also been busy. You can read about what the Activities Committee and Beautification Committee have been doing in this issue. The Trails Committee, which helps maintain the nature trails that are not paved nor asphalted, has been working hard. Like all the other Woodlands Edge Committees, it is made up of volunteer residents. Bill Kemp is the head of the Trails Committee, contact him if you’d like to help. His contact information, and that of the other Committee Chairs is on page 3. Volunteering on one or more of the committees is a great way to be involved in the community and meet people.

A new program for kids ages 7-12 is in the works, called WEEDS (Woodlands Edge Explore and Discover Scouts). See page 5 for more information.

Woodlands Edge continues to be a very safe neighborhood. Included in this issue are some safety tips (page 5). I know some residents have been concerned about the graffiti at the entrance of Brodie Creek. The Brodie Creek POA quickly had the graffiti removed and the police department has increased patrols in the area. Woodlands Edge has also increased our private security patrols. What each of us can do to help keep our community safe is to follow common sense safety practices, know your Neighborhood Watch Block Captain, know your neighbors, watch out for one another and be aware of any suspicious activity. If you have any questions, you can contact me by email at sblanco@woodlandsedge.com or call 312-7130.

Susi Blanco, Woodlands Edge Manager

Activities Committee:

Hope everyone had a chance to attend one of the Dive In Movie events this summer. This summer, one of the committee members built a framework for the outdoor “screen” which worked really well. In June we showed “Ratatouille” and in August , “Night at the Museum”. We served popcorn and lots of kids and adults came and lounged by the pool and watched the movies on the ‘big screen’.



The next event sponsored by the Activities Committee will be the Halloween Carnival on October 26th. It takes nearly 30 volunteers to put on this event—so we need lots of help! Volunteers usually help out in 1 hour shifts on the day of the carnival, so please call to sign up. With such shifts you can help out with a game and still have plenty of time with your family.

The Activities Committee is in need of a Committee Chairperson for 2009. Please consider volunteering—or find a buddy to co-chair with you. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Ashley Cliff

Woodlands Edge Activities Committee Chair

ashanne@hotmail.com

Woodlands Edge Activities 2008

Sun., Oct. 26	4pm-6pm	Halloween Carnival
Sun, Nov. 2	TBA	Fall Nature Walk
Sun., Dec. 7	TBA	Stuff the Sleigh
Sat., Dec. 13	4pm-6pm	Holiday Tour of Homes (tentative)

Don’t forget to mark your calendars!

To volunteer or for more information contact Ashley Cliff, ashanne@hotmail.com, Activities Committee Chair.

***Emails will be sent out and event signs will be placed to remind you of upcoming events.**

WOODLANDS EDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES

If you would like to get involved in the Woodlands Edge Neighborhood, consider joining a committee. For more information contact the committee chairperson listed below.

Activities Committee—

Ashley Cliff—ashanne@hotmail.com

Beautification Committee—

Liz Kemp—liz.kemp@sbcglobal.net

Neighborhood Watch Committee—

Susi Blanco—sblanco@woodlandsedge.com

Pool Committee—

Eric Holloway—eholloway3@sbcglobal.net

Tennis Committee—

Cindy Walker—holatennis@aol.com

Trails & Greenspace Committee—

Bill Kemp—bill_kemp@sbcglobal.net

Welcoming Committee—

Claire Brown—clairebrown@sbcglobal.net

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

The ACC reminds you that :

Satellite Dishes must be approved by the ACC as to style, color and location.

Fencing must conform to the fencing requirements for the community.

If you plan on making any major changes to your **Home, Fencing, or Landscaping**, those plans need to be submitted to the ACC **prior** to any work done (even painting). All plans must be approved before installation.

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UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION

The Woodlands Edge Community Association will occasionally use email in order to inform the residents of upcoming events and neighborhood activities. If you want to receive this information, please make sure we have your current email address. If you have any updates on your family information (new babies, phone numbers, email addresses, etc.) , please contact Susi at sblanco@woodlandsedge.com or at the Woodlands Edge Community Association office, 312-7130 .

WELCOME !

New Residents

Antonio & Shalanda Lucas

Fred & June Hemphill

Christopher & April Minor

Bill & Yan Gu

Ronald & MaryAnn Swager

Matthew Suffern

Melissa May Parks

Gerald & Besky Schaefer

Kiyoshi & Casey Hyman

Michael & Brandy Brower

Jerry & Pat Darsey

Gay Parsons

Chrisitan & Laura Savoie

Heather Moody

Mark & Lindsay Young

Muhammad Khan

Bill & Betsy Meyer

David & Pat King

Woodfern Drive

Woodstream Cove

Foxfield Drive

Mossy Creek Drive

Woodstream Cove

Wood Sorrel Point

Brodie Creek Trail

Buckhorn Trail

Woodfern Drive

Fox Den Trail

Woodfern Drive

Mossy Creek Drive

Brodie Creek Trail

Brodie Creek Trail

Mossy Creek Drive

Buckhorn Trail

Windrush Point

Buckhorn Trail

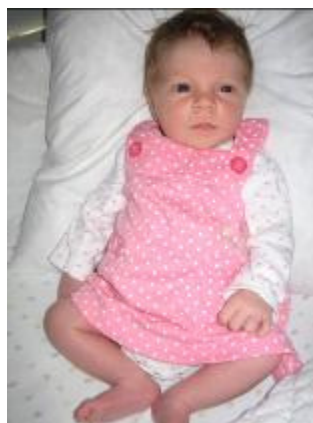
Welcome to the neighborhood!

As you are settling in, you should be visited by someone from the Welcoming Committee. If you have any questions, contact Claire Brown (Chair of the Welcoming Committee) at clairebrown@sbcglobal.net or call Susi Blanco, Woodlands Edge Community Assoc. Manager at 312-7130.

Volunteers needed!

The Welcoming Committee needs a few volunteers to visit new residents to the neighborhood and take them a newcomers information packet. If you are interested, please contact Claire Brown.

NEW ARRIVAL!!



**Avamaria Amelia
Herman
May 27, 2008
7lb. 14 oz.**

**Parents:
Natalia & Damir
Herman**

**Big Brothers:
Alexander & Adrian**

Bob's Yard Tips:

Many have noticed the problem of **nutsedge**. It is troublesome because it grows rapidly in warm weather, much faster than the lawn so it is more visible. To control nutsedge, commercial turfgrass companies can apply herbicides which contain MSMA or bentazon. To treat yourself, look for herbicides specifically formulated to control nutsedge or nutgrass.

If you want to control without chemicals, make sure your lawn is thick and well drained. Nutsedge thrives in moist or irrigated soil but will still grow in dry conditions once it is established. Pull the nutsedge as soon as it appears. It can develop horizontal underground stems with white tubers forming on the end of the stems. Once this happens, pulling the plant will only remove the original plant. The tubers remain and create the new plant.

Fall is quickly approaching. Plan to have your lawn treated with a pre-emergent for the Spring weeds. Also make sure your shrubs have enough water during the Fall & Winter seasons.

Happy Gardening!



Be a good neighbor -
Don't let your dogs run loose!
Little Rock does have a leash law
and unattended dogs may be
picked up by
Animal Control, 376-3067.
**Be sure to clean up after your
dog too!**

HELPFUL PHONE NUMBERS

WE Community Association	312-7130
Rocket Properties, LLC	954-9816
City of Little Rock	311
Police (non-emergency)	371-4617
Pulaski County School District	490-2000
LR Garbage/Yard Waste Pick-up	888-2208
Animal Control	376-3067

AVON Free Catalog—501-312-2866
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Woodlands Edge Neighborhood Watch Committee

Helpful Tips to Help Keep Our Community Safe

- ⊙ Participate in your local Neighborhood Watch
- ⊙ Know your Block Captain and your neighbors
- ⊙ Keep your garage door down at all times
- ⊙ Use outdoor night lighting
- ⊙ Install an alarm system and set it every time
- ⊙ If you park your car outside, keep it locked at all times and remove your garage door opener
- ⊙ Don't leave valuables (laptops, purses, etc.) where they can be seen in a car even when it's locked.
- ⊙ Keep landscaping trimmed away from doors and windows
- ⊙ Don't let newspapers pile up on your porch
- ⊙ Don't leave outgoing checks in your mailbox

Let's work together to keep our community a safe place to live and play!

If you would like more information about the Woodlands Edge Neighborhood Watch Committee, please contact Susi Blanco at sblanco@woodlandsedge.com.



Woodlands Edge Explore & Discover Scouts (WEEDS)

PARENTS! Do you have a child between the ages of 7 and 12 who is interested in nature's mysteries? There will be an organizational meeting for the WEEDS program for parents only on **Thursday, Sept. 11th at 6pm in the Clubhouse.**



We will discuss the details of the **WEEDS** program. If you and your kids are interested in gaining an "Education in Nature", you **must attend** this important meeting. If you are unable to attend, please contact Ron Tyne by email at rtyne@woodlandsedge.com or sign up by phone at 312-7130.

Beautification Committee

The Beautification Committee was asked to check into the issue of **yard waste**. We found that there is no city ordinance governing the time or date of placement of yard waste materials to be picked up each week. Ordinance No. 17,262; Section 28-21 states only that yard waste containers be placed within five feet of the street edge. It specifically states that yard waste and yard waste containers may be placed out for collection with no restriction on the day or time of such placement. Woodlands Edge has no specific regulation on this topic either. The Committee was also requested to research the feasibility of a community yard waste material dumpster and found that this was only done on a one-time only basis and that it often resulted in other materials being put in the dumpster causing problems for yard waste collection personnel. It seems that the best answer to the yard waste problem is to encourage everyone to be considerate neighbors and to store yard waste at the side of your house until collection day, which is **Thursday**, each week.



On a related note, we also looked into the issue of **trash cans**. Woodlands Edge regulation concerning trash containers and recycling containers is in accord with the city regulation that states that trash containers should not be placed out for collection prior to 4:00pm the day preceding the normal collection day (in Woodlands Edge the normal day is **Wednesday**) and should be removed from the street by midnight the day of completion of the waste collection. Storing your trash containers will not only prevent animals from getting in the trash, but also make sure that the containers are not a hazard in the street where they often are tossed by the trash collectors.



So now you know! Yard waste and trash containers left out may not be your pet peeve, but it doesn't take much extra effort to store your yard waste and trash containers out of sight until collection day (or the night before). And don't forget: major holidays throw the pick up schedule back one day!

Be a considerate neighbor and help keep the community looking nice!

Yards of the Month for June



Woodgate
4 Eagle Talon

Yards of the Month for July



Woodgate
6 Windrush Point



Meadows Edge
3004 Mossy Creek



Meadows Edge
2904 Sweetgrass Drive



Foxfield
13700 Foxfield Land



Foxfield
13505 Foxfield Land

Woodlands Edge Resident wins Gold Medal at Midwest Fleadh Cheoil in Detroit

Peggy Roach Loyd, who lives on Winterfern Cove with her husband George, is an Irish singer and songwriter. In May she competed in the Midwest Fleadh Ceoil which is one of only two traditional Irish music competitions held in North America. She won a gold medal for Newly Composed songs for her song, *The Fiddler's Feet*, and a bronze medal in Singing Traditional Songs. Her first place finish qualifies Peggy to compete this month in the All-Ireland Fleadh Cheoil in Ireland, and puts her among the top 16 in the world for her classification. As well as competing, while in Ireland George and Peggy are also celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary.

Congratulations and good luck, Peggy, in the competition!



Don't love your utility box ?

You've probably noticed that Woodlands Edge has underground utility services. While this is preferable to the tall poles and wires in older communities, it does leave somewhat unsightly metal boxes and short poles in most of our yards.



Don't know what to do?

The Beautification Committee wants to encourage and

help homeowners who are interested in making improvements to homes and yards. One option for utility boxes and poles is to camouflage them from casual sight. You can do just that by planting a perennial bush or two around these utilities. It is easy to start with a small bush that will grow to hide the poles/boxes. Over time the bushes can be trimmed to a reasonably compact size. You can consult with any lawn and garden professional for recommendations as to what would be most appropriate for your yard and expected level of maintenance.

To make this project even easier, we also wanted to let you know about a great service in Arkansas



to ensure your safety and keep you from disturbing utility lines when you dig. The service is called "Arkansas One Call". The phone number is 1-800-ONE-CALL (1-800-482-8998). They will come to your yard and mark the areas where not to dig so that no damage occurs to the utility services in the neighborhood. You do not need to be home when they come, so it is very convenient, and it's FREE! In fact, it is a state law that you must call "Arkansas One Call" before digging around utilities, so you might want to keep their number for future projects.



Woodlands Edge Beautification Committee



Did you know...?

On a hot sunny day, an average-size deciduous tree will evaporate about 100 gallons of water. This provides the equivalent cooling of 660, 000 BTU's (British Thermal Unit), whereas a 3-ton central air conditioner provides 36,000 BTU's per hour!

-Arkansas Urban Forestry Council



The net cooling effect of a young, healthy tree is equivalent to ten room-size air conditioners operating 20 hours a day.

-U.S. Dept. of Agriculture

Landscaping can reduce air conditioning costs by up to 50 percent by shading the windows and walls of a home.

-American Public Power Association

If you plant a tree today on the west side of your home, in 5 years your energy bills should be 3% less. In 15 years the savings will be nearly 12%.

-Dr. E. Greg McPherson, Center for Urban Forest Research

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