



The Wexford Watch

Neighborhood Association Newsletter May 2013

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Newsletters: WE ARE GOING DIGITAL!!!

Don't miss a single issue!

With exception to the Annual meeting announcement, Newsletters will now only be delivered electronically to our email distribution list, posted on the website and uploaded to our Facebook page. Emails will be sent via blind copy so your email address won't be seen. EMAIL ADDRESSES ARE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL.

What if I don't have an email address or internet access? If you are an HOA member and do not have email or internet access, a pre-printed copy of the newsletters will be made available BY REQUEST ONLY. Please contact one of the board members to let us know. We'll need your name and address.

For those Residents with Internet Access please JOIN US on [facebook](#) Search for Villages of Wexford HOA. Also join our neighborhood link site:

http://www.neighborhoodlink.com/Villages_of_Wexford/home

Community Movie Night & Pool Opening

When: Saturday, May 18th

Pool will be open from Noon until 8pm. Movie to start at 8:30pm

Where: 2101 Oakl Leigh Drive.

Who: The event is free and open to all Villages of Wexford Residents.

MOVIE: BRAVE - Disney/PIXAR starts 9PM

Determined to make her own path in life, Princess Merida defies a custom that brings chaos to her kingdom. Granted one wish, Merida must rely on her bravery and her archery skills to undo a beastly curse.



We'll be having a movie night at the pool every other week starting June 8th. The movies to be shown will be voted on by the community who respond via email or on our Facebook page. The following is our initial schedule and will be confirmed via email and on Facebook on Thursday before the movie. All movies are weather permitting. June 8th & 22nd; July 6th & 20th; August 3rd, 6th (NNO), 17th & 31st; Sept 14th.

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What does the Neighborhood association do? That is the most common question the board members are asked. So at our first board meeting with this new board, it was decided that we should compile a list of how the HOA has affected our community over the past decade.

FIRST, we are a RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY, not a business community. The Homeowners Association is a voluntary organization. We do not have any enforcement authority but work closely with local government agencies such as Charlotte-Mecklenburg Police Department; Charlotte Fire Department; Charlotte-Mecklenburg government agencies. There are restrictions on building/land usage for each of these lots and homes in the Villages of Wexford but these are government municipal codes. The link to these codes is <http://library.municode.com/index.aspx?clientId=19970>.

What has the HOA board of other volunteers done in our community....

In the area of safety, the HOA with the cooperation and help of the community, the HOA worked with the city to receive a traffic calming designation. The speed limit was brought down from 35-25 mph. Speed bumps were added on Flint Glen. We successfully petitioned for and had 4 way stops installed along Oak Leigh Drive. The HOA got Harris Houston on the city's sidewalk list (yes we are still waiting – currently the sidewalk request from Watermoss to Highway 49 is at #80). The board also worked hard to have lighting added to Neighborhood streets that did not have the metal light posts. It took an HOA board member going door to door to get residents signatures, so anywhere you see the wooden light poles, you will know. With the help of the entire community we signed up enough neighbors to re-establish the Neighborhood Watch program here in Wexford. The Association purchased and installed Neighborhood Watch and No Soliciting signs. The presence of the signs is an initial deterrent, a community with residents keeping an eye out for each other is the best deterrent to crime. The HOA maintains a close relationship with University City Division of Police, and posts updates from the police on our Website and face book page. We also send out email alerts to those in the community who have signed up for our email distribution list, so please like our page and send us your email address so you can be informed as quickly as we get the notice.

In the area of Neighborhood beautification and upkeep, we are approaching the end of our Villages of Wexford Sign replacement project. The HOA has purchased new inserts for our community signs and with the help of our neighborhood volunteers regularly paint and maintain or repair these signs. We organize landscaping days to plant and maintain our three neighborhood Islands. The Board has added solar lighting to the Entrance Island at hwy49 and a gravel pathway for pedestrians to cross. The board established the yard of the month competition to encourage property upkeep. However, we also work closely with code enforcement to discourage negligence.

In the area of Community and Social events, The HOA creates prints and distributes The Wexford Watch (a neighborhood Newsletter) 4-8 issues a year depending on the board and budget. Over the years the board has been moving towards using more electronic forms of communication and less paper publications. They have created a website at www.neighborhoodlink.com/VillagesofWexford and the board updates and checks our face book page to help let all our neighbors know what is going on in our community. The board has organized and hosted many social events for the community over the years including: Pool Luau, National Night out events, Movie Nights, Hot dog socials, Charity fund raisers, block yard sales, etc. We have had many guest speakers at these events; local politicians, police, fire department and waste management have all been out to one event or another.

We are a Volunteer Neighborhood association and of course none of this could have happened without the volunteers and support of us all. The ideas and accomplishments listed here most often start with a neighbors concern, request or idea. I hope this has helped to explain what we do. We want to continue to keep our Neighborhood looking great, crime free and with a strong sense of community. To our new neighbors please check us out and sign up, and to everyone else thank you for all your support through the years.

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Visit them on the web at:

<http://charmeck.org/services/Pages/default.aspx>



Community Liaison at CMPD

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9-1-1 to report crime!

Street	Properties	Members	Participation
Balbriggan Court	15	1	6.67%
Bally Duff Lane	7	1	14.29%
Bantry Lane	6	0	0.00%
Biscoe Way Lane	11	0	0.00%
Castlecomer Drive	21	2	9.52%
Cherring Lane	7	0	0.00%
Clonmel Place	16	2	12.50%
Dembrigh Lane	46	8	17.39%
Derry Drive	8	0	0.00%
Downpatrick Place	17	2	11.76%
Dungarvon Court	14	1	7.14%
Flint Glenn Lane	36	4	11.11%
Killarney Place	32	3	9.38%
Leadenhall Lane	41	2	4.88%
Magenta Lane	14	0	0.00%
Oak Leigh Drive	37	5	13.51%
Presco Court	4	0	0.00%
Rothmullan Drive	17	1	5.88%
Shandon Way Lane	34	0	0.00%
Tralee Place	4	1	25.00%
Wiltshire Lane	26	4	15.38%
Winsted Court	17	2	11.76%
Total	430	39	9.07%

As of May 9, 2013

Why should I become a member of the HOA?

The more members we have, the more we can do to improve the appearance of our community. With the pending completion of the I-485 interstate, our community is ideally placed! Potential home buyers will be attracted to our community, current homeowners looking to sell will increase their chances and those of us who merely want to maintain or increase the value of our property will also benefit.

Lets face it, no one likes to be told what to do or how to do it and we've all heard the horror stories of mandatory HOA's who have put liens on homeowners properties because the owner violated the communities covenants in some manner. **That isn't the Villages of Wexford HOA.** I, like many of you, were drawn to this community in part because it's HOA is voluntary. When compared to the cost of our annual dues, the benefits of what we can achieve are far greater.

"The Wexford LIST"

For a Business - Do you own a business or do jobs on the side? Great experience with a business or contractor? If you provide us with a business card or primary information and a brief description of the services offered, we will distribute via email as "Wexford Business Contacts" and post on Facebook.

For Sale Items – Do you something that you'd like to sell? Do you have exercise equipment, outdoor power equipment or furniture that isn't being used? Send a picture along with a brief description and your contact information and we will distribute via email as "Wexford For Sale Items" and post to Facebook.

Email addresses are kept **CONFIDENTIAL** & all communications are sent via blind copy.

Flint Glenn Island Project committee and volunteers needed.....

The HOA board is looking for at 3 HOA members to lead a committee for this project. The project scope will be to draw up a planting diagram of perennial plants, obtain an estimate for the cost of the plants and then lead the effort within the community for implementation for this fall. Please contact a board member or send us an email if you are interested.

All positions on the HOA board are now open to all members

Members at our annual meeting voted to change the rule concerning eligibility requirements for all HOA board positions. Those seeking to be on next years board will be asked to provide some information about themselves so that it can be included in with the annual meeting announcement. Only those members who show up will be eligible to vote, no proxy voting. The current board will make a presentation during National Night Out or in the fall at one of our Movie nights to show how easy it is to administratively manage the HOA. We hope that this will encourage members to actively seek board positions.

2013 Association Dues Are Only \$35 a Year

While other communities fees are much higher, ours are only \$35 per year for 2013. We need your participation to make things happen in the community. Please make your checks out to: **The Villages of Wexford Association**

Please mail to our PO box (**PO Box 620942, Charlotte, NC 28262-0115**) or drop them off with a board member!!

