

Words of Windham

A Monthly Newsletter for the Windham Park Homeowners' Association

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From the Board President, George Gilbertson

Our website is up and running. It appears that it is also used. We have received several communications from residents. It seems the site an easy way to contact the Board.

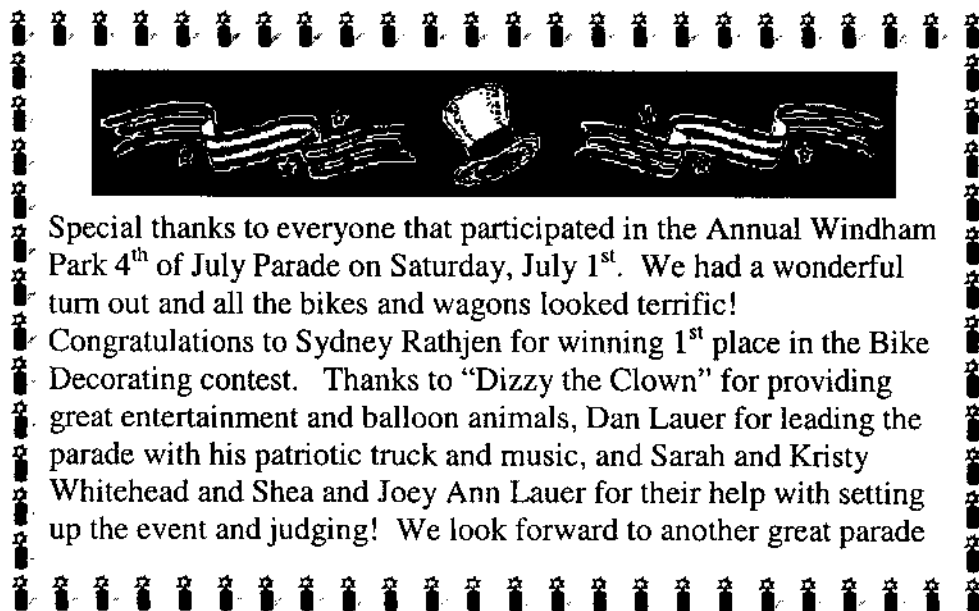
The suggestion to have a company scan the pool deck to find the pips is a good one and we will look into it. It could speed up the installation of the shade structure and possibly save us some cash. Thanks to Mark Steutermann for this suggestion.

It was also suggested that we contact the city to make sure that they are maintaining the trees on the property that they are responsible for. Specifically make sure that they are trimmed for the

proper clearance. Thanks to Terri Rochford for this one.

Suggestions are always appreciated. It is hard for the Board to think of everything. We usually spend a lot of our time responding to problems and maintenance issues. The extra eyes, ears and minds are appreciated.

If you have any helpful comments or suggestions, you can contact us via the website. Just go to the website <http://windhampark.org> click on "Neighborhood Contact" then click the email link info@winghampark.org to send us an email.



Grounds and Streets
Chris Bradford

PLEASE, TRIM YOUR TREES!



*This is the Overland Park City Ordinance.

There are a large percentage of trees in our neighborhood that do not meet code.

Does your tree meet code?... Have you actually looked lately?

Are we having to walk off of the sidewalks to go around your low hanging limbs?

Are we having to swerve to miss your limbs when driving a mini-van or S.U.V.?

THANK YOU to those of you who are taking pride in our neighborhood. Remember, the better our neighborhood looks, the higher we can maintain all of our home values.

Self Defense Class Offered to Windham Park Residents

In light of reported incidents that took place in Overland Park this spring and summer, a Windham Park resident has offered to teach a self-defense type seminar. He will address common misconceptions of attacks and defense and cover the basic dynamics of attack situations. Several simple and effective attack responses will also be introduced.

This seminar will last about one hour and will be held on the pool deck at 10:00am September 30th with a rain date of October 7th. This seminar is appropriate for anyone 12 and older, both male and female. It would be helpful if each person came with a practice partner.

Craig Smith, who will be teaching the seminar, was a police officer for eight years, taught martial arts and defensive/offensive tactics for police and military special operations and trained full-contact fighters. He also developed "SafeLife Self Defense for Women".

If you would like to attend this seminar or have questions, please call Lee Hasty (897-3298).



Pool News
Lee Hasty - 897-3298

Pool Furniture and Shade Structure

Two new tables were delivered to the pool in mid July. These replaced the two that were discarded last year. At this time temporary black legs are attached to one of the tables as when it was shipped they didn't send legs for it. Eight new lounges and side tables have been ordered and will be here next pool season. As we wanted to keep the same color and style of furniture we currently have this was a special order and it takes longer for this type of order to be shipped. We also plan to have a shade structure installed at the pool in the vicinity of the baby pool before next pool season.

Thank You to Our Umbrella Patrol!

Thank you so much again to the people who have volunteered to help with the umbrellas this year – Marcy Langhofer, Valerie Dame, Liz Lamontagne, Pam Chapin, Jennifer Ross, Deborah Coda, Kristen Johnson, Beth Bevil, Courtney Welch, Kristi Bradford, Mike Glynn, Susan Church, Sherry Smith and Lisa Vaughn. I'm sure many residents appreciate your volunteering for this.

Last Day of Pool Season

The last day the pool will be open is September 10th. Please don't use the pool after that date as the pool maintenance also ends on that day.

Pool Repairs

We will be making some repairs during the fall and next spring. If you noticed any problems at the pool and haven't reported them, please be sure to call me. Also, if you have any input or suggestions about the pool please let me know.

Pool Keys

Please keep your pool keys to use next year. We have not yet decided whether we will be using the same keys or will be changing the lock.

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Kindergarten Roundup

Hurray for our new Kindergarteners! The neighborhood got them off with a fun start at a special pool party! If you will have a kindergartener in 2007, please consider chairing this event next Summer.

Halloween Parade - Volunteers Needed!

The Halloween Parade will be Sunday Oct 29th at 5PM. Sign in at the "big rocks" where the park path crosses 131st St. After collecting treats along the path, families will gather at the playground for door prizes and snacks. If you are 4th grade or older, please volunteer to help pass out candy. We also need adult volunteers to help coordinate this fun event.

