

FROST LAKE MONONA WOODS

NEWS FOR NEIGHBORS

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Dear FWHA neighbors,

It has been suggested that we abandon planning any outdoor social events since our success level has been rather dismal. Let's see---a summer social canceled due to extreme heat, a re-scheduled summer social canceled due to extreme rain, a winter outdoor event canceled due to extremely high winter temperatures..... Hmmmm, do I detect a pattern here??

Well, we are pleased to advise that we have a much better track record on indoor events and, therefore, have another indoor event planned for April. More details on all of that further in the newsletter.

And, as for the suggestion to abandon all hope for outdoor events, alas, we are the eternal optimists and will continue to try, try again. We could use some encouragement and support so when you see that next invite, please plan on coming!!!

GARDEN CLUB

It is that time of the season where anyone who likes to work in their yards is already thinking about what they are planning for this year's foliage. Bushes or hardscape? Water feature or tons of annuals? Shade vs. sun.... (or as is the case in many homes here in Frostwoods, it's probably dense shade vs. shade!!!) If these are things that are keeping you up at night, plan on attending the Frostwoods Garden Club (open to one and all). Next meeting is scheduled for March 27th at Missy Bodden's home (102 Henuah Circle) and will begin at 7:30. Please call Missy if you plan on attending (222-6831)

All through the long winter, I dream of my garden. On the first day of spring, I dig my fingers deep into the soft earth. I can feel its energy, and my spirits soar.



HELEN HAYES

BRUSH PICK UP

Since we were talking about our gardens, yards, etc. this got us thinking about the annual ritual of spring clean up in the yard. We checked with the City and, unfortunately, at time of printing of this edition of News for Neighbors, they have not completed their brush schedule for the spring. It usually starts in April and, if the schedule follows last years, brush would be picked up in Frostwoods the third week of April.



ASSOCIATION DUES

With thoughts of spring, also comes FWHA Annual Dues Assessment. By now you all have probably received your letter from our treasurer. As she eloquently stated, dues are a part of owning a home in this wonderful neighborhood. In the Member Guide it states: "The Association is devoted to maintaining the architectural and natural beauty, economic values, recreational facilities, social functions, and charitable/ educational activities vital to the families which live in the area." Your Board continues to try to foster a neighborly feeling in our little corner of the Monona. There is further statement in the Member Guide that we feel is as important today as when it was written by Alvin Berman (Secretary, 1962-1965): "We hope that you will lend your efforts to those of your neighbors to make Frost Woods continue to be one of the most delightful places in the country in which to live."

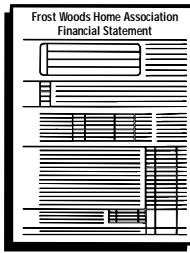


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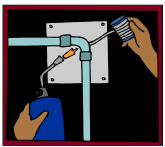
ANNUAL MEETING

If you would like to know how your annual dues are spent by the Association, if you would like to know more about the Winnequah Road reconstruction project, if you would like to know more about the Frost Woods Beach Storm Water Retention project, if you would like to know your neighbors more and more about your neighborhood, please plan on attending the 70th Frost Woods Annual Meeting scheduled for April 9th. The meeting will be held at Jan Marshall Fox's home (Bungalowen) located at 5805-07 Winnequah Road. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 3 p.m.. This is an indoor event so I have full faith that it will be successful. Plus, anything held at Jan's house also has a little magic involved and we have the best turn outs (who wouldn't want to come and see such a historic home right in the middle of our neighborhood?)



WINTER SOCIAL

We'd very much like to thank Peter and Kristin Sobol (and Will, Katherine and Doogy too!) for hosting the recent Winter Social. It was great to see the end result of all of their hard work living with remodeling and the remodeling projects they tackled themselves (nice job on the bathroom Peter!!) It was a great opportunity to spend a couple hours together



and talk about everything--particularly some of the neighborhood issues that are, will, or could affect us all (Winnequah Road, the School Referendum, etc.). We all enjoyed finding the picture of our home to use as our name-tag. We may not always recognize some of our neighbors as easily as we can recognize their houses! Every time we have one of these events, some more new neighbors attend. We didn't all get a chance to talk to everyone so we look forward to seeing

everyone again. Thanks to all who attended and hope you had a good time!

TAKE A STAKE IN THE LAKES

Last year we had a rather short notice plan of gathering neighbors to clean up Frost Woods Beach. We shared this clean up project with Klinke Cleaners in 2005. This year we're working on laying our claim to our beach since we all have a vested interest in making this piece of our neighborhood a place to enjoy. There



are only two swimming beaches in Monona and we have one of them. While there's work to do to return the beach area into a more usable swimming area, it will only happen if we take an active part in making it happen. The lake is a wonderful resource that adds value to all of our homes---we should take care of this treasure. Please mark your calendars to help with clean up on Saturday, June 17th. As more information becomes available, we will include it in our next News for Neighbors.

A lake is the landscape's most beautiful and expressive feature. It is earth's eye; looking into which the beholder measures the depth of his own nature. ~ Henry David Thoreau

MONONA GARAGE SALE

Frost Woods hosted a successful garage sale in the fall and we plan on doing the same again in 2006. However, sometimes you just can't wait to start cleaning out that garage or basement so mark your calendars for the Annual Monona Garage Sale which the City advised is set for Friday/Saturday, May 19th and 20th.



E-MAIL?

As mentioned in the last *News For Neighbors*, we now must mail each newsletter. Some of our neighbors have expressed that they would like to receive the newsletter via e-mail. This was a great suggestion since it helps keep down the cost of mailing thereby leaving more association dues for other important activities....like an OUTDOOR



Summer event ☺. If you would like to have your News for Neighbors sent to you via e-mail, please e-mail us at Frostwoods@frostwoods.org.

IT'S ALMOST SCILLA TIME!

Almost every year, anyone driving through our neighborhood is captivated by the vast expanse of blue flowers that burst forth in many connecting yards in the springtime. There's the frequent question of 'what is that beautiful flower?' so this year, we're preparing you all to have an answer at your finger tips.



Scilla (squill) is a genus of bulbous perennial herbs in the hyacinth family. The 90-odd species are found in woodlands, subalpine meadows, and seashores. Their flowers are usually blue, but white, pink, and purple types are known; most flower in early spring.

Our neighborhood certainly is living proof how easily Scilla can naturalize under trees and in the grass.....ENJOY!

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