



WILLOWBROOK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER
W I N T E R
2023

The Willowbrook Community Association's purpose is to maintain and enforce building restrictions imposed upon the property within the subdivision in which members reside to aid in maintaining the character of the neighborhood to promote the social, educational and general welfare of all members to afford a means for collective action in community projects.

WCA BOARD MEMBERS

CALL OR TEXT WITH ANY
QUESTIONS/CONCERNS

PRESIDENT
VICE PRESIDENT
Both positions are open

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2022/2023 WCA DUES

If you have not paid your
2022/2023 dues, please do!

This is your responsibility
as a homeowner.

Dues due October 1, 2022.

Dues are \$15.00 per year.

Thanking you in advance!

Happy New Year!

Time to meet new people. Time to share new ideas.

The Willowbrook Board is inviting all Willowbrook residents to a
scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: WCA General Meeting

Date: Thursday, Feb 9, 2023 Time: 7:00 PM

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85835064352?
pwd=ZXZFbTIHSElINExKbE12WFArSHpLUT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85835064352?pwd=ZXZFbTIHSElINExKbE12WFArSHpLUT09)

Meeting ID: 858 3506 4352 Passcode: 423090

Agenda

- . Welcome
- . Board Members introductions
- . President and Vice President positions still open
- . Minutes from September 2022 Meeting*
- . Treasurer's Report as of 2/9/2023
- . Beautification Committee Update
- . Island Maintenance
- . Dues/On-Line Payments
- . Cider and Donuts
- . Volunteers Needed
- . Signs (posting/storing)
- . Food Trucks
- . Read Box - Sub 3
- . Neighbors Helping Neighbors
- . Community Activities
- . Questions/Comments/Concerns

* Minutes can be found, in advance of the meeting, at our website

<https://willowbrook.gogladly.com/> or by going to the City of Novi website
under Homeowners Associations - Willowbrook Community Association.

**Due to construction on
10 Mile we will not be able to
post reminder signs at
entrances for the meeting.
Please keep this Newsletter
as your reminder. Hope to
see you via Zoom.**

Community Beautification Update

2023 marks the final stretch of the Willowbrook Community Association's 3-year focus on beautification upgrades, with special attention to Subdivision 3! Here is a recap of recent happenings and information on future proposals.

Subdivision 1: All main projects are done as of last spring! The two small informational signs approved for the Willow Ct and Millstream islands will be installed this year.

Subdivision 2: All projects complete! Thanks to volunteers last fall, we now have benches on three islands and the educational sign on the Malott island! We have received feedback that there still is interest in adding one more tree to the Malott island. To quote a neighbor, the one new oak tree is nice, but an additional tree will "add to the park feeling." In the upcoming General Meeting, we will review the current Malott layout and vote on adding a tree within a small garden.

Subdivision 3: Subdivision 3 is unique as it does not have WCA-maintained properties, but borders the city-maintained Brookfarm Park. The most popular area of interest from the Subdivision 3 summer survey was promoting the **Novi FREE Public Right of Way Tree Planting (248-735-5640 or ksalowich@cityofnovi.org)**. After that program was publicized in the last newsletter, the City of Novi Forester reported an increase in WCA residents signing up for free trees – awesome! The next most popular survey response was getting a community library. We asked the city if we could add a little library and/or add landscaping to the entrances of Brookfarm Park. While landscaping was a concern due to maintenance, the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department in conjunction with the Novi Public Library are working together to get a "Read Box" added to Willowbrook Dr entrance to Brookfarm Park! Details are in the works, but the Novi Public Library will be servicing the box weekly from May through October. WCA will be holding a Book Drive to donate to the library's special collection that it uses for all Read Boxes in Novi – please see the newsletter for more details and donate if you are able! In the survey there was moderate interest in the Neighbors Helping Neighbors program. This also is a possibility that could improve the overall esthetics of Subdivision 3 and build connections between neighbors. In the February General Meeting, we will be presenting any necessary proposals for voting related to the Brookfarm Park Read Box and to the Subdivision 3 Neighbors Helping Neighbors.

As we get more details, the final proposals will be created and shared on our website and on the unofficial Facebook page at least a week before the meeting. If you do not have internet access and/or would like a hardcopy of the proposals, a board member can help provide a printout. We are excited for what 2023 will bring!

*thank you =
= volunteers!*

2022 was a fabulous year for Willowbrook Community Association beautification. Thank you to everyone who helped to maintain and improve our community this past year!

Aaron, Abby, Adam, Adam, Andrew, Andy, Annie, Aurora, Bernard, Bill, Brayson, Brennan, Briella, Carl, Chad, Claire, Clarence, Craig, Curt, Danny, Dave, Debbie, Drew, Emmy, Eric, Erin, Gary, Gordy, Greg, Ian, Jackie, Jeanne, Jeena, Jenny, John, Karalynn, Kate, Lucas, Luiz, Leyla, Maren, Matthew, Melissa, Michael, Michael, Michelle, Michelle, Mitch, Monika, Nancy, Naomi, Nusha, Patricia, Reagan, Rob, Ron, Ron, Roukaya, Ryan, Scott, Seth, Shelly, Stan, Sue, Susan, Terri, Todd, Tom, Veda, Wendy, Will and Zackary.

You all are greatly appreciated. We tried our best to recall everyone and apologize for any omissions. Let's aim to expand this list and continue the growth of our community!

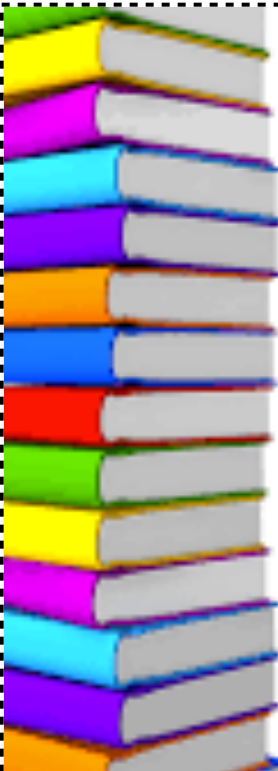
Food Trucks again this summer ????

Along with our annual Cider and Donuts the food trucks, last summer, were one of our most successful endeavors to bring the community together. As of the printing of this newsletter we do not know if they will continue this summer. Right now we do not have anyone to organize this event. If you are interested, please contact one of the Board Members (numbers listed on front of newsletter). This volunteer position does not require a lot of time, just communicating with the food truck company and setting up the dates for summer. We would like to continue again with a bi-weekly food truck. This issue will be discussed at the upcoming General Meeting -- so please consider volunteering.



BOOK DRIVE

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10 to FRIDAY, MARCH 17



A Novi Read Box is being added to Brookfarm Park by our Subdivision 3! Each week between May and October the Novi Public Library will be bringing new books to borrow – no library card needed! **Please donate your gently used or like new books to help build the Novi Read Box Collection** that the library uses for their 3... soon to be 4 Read Boxes!

If every household is able to donate at least one quality book, we will be in great shape. Our goal is to collect and donate 300 books – although the sky is the limit!

The Novi Public Library finds that the most popular books are:

Baby and Youth (Fictional) Teen (Fictional) Adult (Fictional) Classic Novels

Please place your donated books in the WCA Little Library on Malott and E Le Bost in Subdivision 2. If you would like to borrow any books from the current collection at the Little Library, please do so by February 9th. From February 10th through March 17th, we will be emptying the Little Library as donations are added. Normal usage of the Subdivision 2 Little Library will resume March 18th.

The Novi Library is giving us the Read Box this month so that we can design and paint it as we would like. The Parks, Recreational and Cultural Services Department will be installing the box this spring. **Please contact a board member if you are able to help design and/or paint the Read Box!** Also, please remember to donate books!

Info from an email sent to WCA from the Novi Police Department:

Officer Alex Marchione is the WCA police liaison and can be reached at amarcione@cityofnovi.org or through his department voicemail at 248-348-7100 ext. 8065. Sergeants Ayren Edgar and Kyle Smith are the supervisors assigned to your patrol district and can be reached at aedgar@cityofnovi.org and ksmith@cityofnovi.org. These assignments are current until April of 2023 for our current six month shift bid. Please feel free to reach out to Officer Marchione or his district supervisors with any questions or concerns that you, or your constituents, may have now or in the future.



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TRASH/RECYCLING/ YARD WASTE PICK-UP INFO

****PLEASE KEEP this info in your 2023 calendars for future reference ****



MISSED PICK UP OR PROBLEMS: Contact GFL Environmental at 248.204.6759 (Press prompt 3 then prompt 9). GFL Environmental will respond to your request as soon as possible.

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

If one of the following holidays falls during the week **ON OR BEFORE** your collection day in a given week, your collection will be one day behind.

- . New Years Day
- . Memorial Day
- . 4th of July
- . Labor Day
- . Thanksgiving Day
- . Christmas Day

Yard Waste - Collected once per week from the first Monday in April through the second week of December.