

Park West Pages

Park West Community Association Newsletter - July, 2006

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President's Message

By Rich Juchnewicz

Summer is great, because we get the chance to see our neighbors down at the pool, out working in the yard, or out with the kids. But it would be great to see more of you at the monthly board meetings, where the day-to-day business of managing this community is discussed.

As I've said in the past, the board can't do it all, and we definitely can't do it all on our own. If you can't make the board meetings, share your thoughts and ideas with us by email or phone, and encourage your neighbors to do the same. Like the old saying goes, "...you tell two friends, and they tell two friends, and so on...and so on..." With community input, you end up with a board that represents more than just the views of the a few people who serve officially.

How many of you know your neighbors? I know everyone on my block, and probably more. Not only does this promote good neighbors, but just think of the security it can add to your home, your neighborhood and our community.

Stay Connected in Kings Park West

Keeping up with events in the community is easier when you subscribe to the community email list. To receive electronic updates on upcoming events or issues of concern in the community, send a request to the webmaster at subscribe@parkwestcommunity.org.

The community website provides a wealth of information for PWCA residents: www.parkwestcommunity.org.



Fourth of July Pool Party

The Independence Day pool party for residents and their guests is scheduled to take place on Tuesday, July 4 from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Kings Park West pool with food from Red, Hot & Blue, games and fun for everyone! We are looking for volunteers to assist in organizing the party. Please contact Don McBride (703) 978-1510.



ACC Violations Are No Joke

Spring ACC violations have been sent to all homeowners for homes and yards that are out of compliance with Park West Community Association rules and regulations.

All homeowners who purchased property in Park West Community agreed that they would keep the properties in good repair, attractive, and in compliance with architectural design and color schemes.

Having a home in disrepair, or an overgrown and unkempt yard, is not only an embarrassment to the homeowner, but also affects all PWCA homeowners. In addition to being an eyesore to everyone in the community, home prices in the entire community are adversely affected by only a few problem homes. Enforcement of all ACC rules will increase throughout the year, with special attention paid to homes that are falling apart and those with unkempt yards.

All problems identified as a result of the spring ACC inspection are expected to be resolved per the instructions on the violation notice. Subsequent violations **will result in fines**, and will eventually lead to the suspension of pool privileges and, in extreme cases, liens on the properties.

Protect your investment by maintaining your property. We all have an obligation to keep our home and yard in good shape.

2006 PWCA Annual Meeting
Wednesday, September 20, 7-9 p.m.
Kings Park Regional Library
All Are Welcome

A Community of Neighbors An Interview With Rich Juchnewicz

Park West Pages will regularly feature a profile of one of our neighbors in each issue.

PWCA Board Chairman Rich Juchnewicz has a history of service, through the military, the community, and as a Fairfax County police officer, applying leadership skills he learned from parents, scout leaders, and superiors he admired.

“They say leaders are born, but I think it has a lot to do with who you align yourself with in life,” says Rich.

Rich believes the time he devotes to the community pays dividends for his own family, his wife Dorothy and son Wesley, as well as his neighbors. “If I help keep it working, clean, and somehow improve on what we have, it will make it better for my family and everyone.”

Though there are always things he would like to see changed in the neighborhood, Rich believes this is a great place to live. “It’s always what you make of it,” says Rich. “We have a great life here in Fairfax. -- great location, schools, and services, and we still have our green space, which I think is important.”



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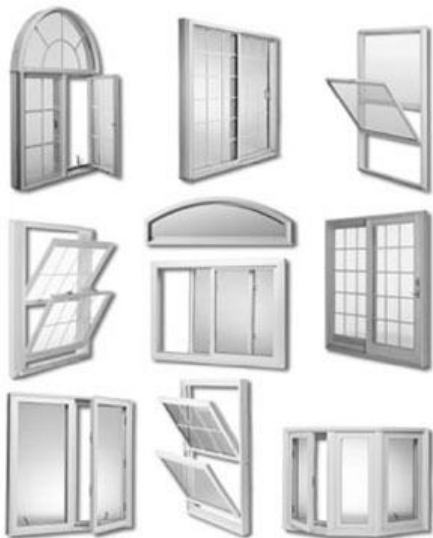


Cycling is great exercise and fun for people of all ages. But remember -- bicycles, toys, yard tools, recycling bins, and trash cans cannot be stored in the front yard of Kings Park West homes. Please keep them inside, or in the rear of your property, out of the sight of neighbors and possibly potential thieves.

Having a hard time keeping up with your yard or property? Hire a pro! For help finding contractors and services, check out **Angie’s List** at www.Angieslist.com. Go to *Washington, D.C.* from the home page, and then view the list of services rated for our area by a word-of-mouth network.



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