



## Newsletter, December 2022

In this issue, you will find information about the new board of directors and their duties, as well as how to contact them. In addition, there are some Christmas reminders, information about a winter landscaping project, and wind warnings.

On behalf of the board (old and new), we wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

### Board of Directors, 2023

President	Dan Ward
Vice-president	Warren Millett
Treasurer	Doug Hayden
Secretary	Barbara Mezeske
Directors	Jim Rohrer, Gerry Stoneburner, and Wayne Terpstra

### Areas of responsibility:

Warren Millett	Pests, garbage, underground sprinkling, ponds
Jim Rohrer	Roads and driveways, snow plowing
Gerry Stoneburner	Landscaping and trees
Wayne Terpstra	Building maintenance and repair, annual inspection

The best way to contact a board member is through the [wwpines.net](http://wwpines.net) website. The “Contact Us” tab offers a drop-down menu that lets you identify the nature of your request or question. When you click “submit,” the message is automatically sent to the correct person. This is an efficient method that allows you to be specific, gives us a digital record of your request, and allows the board member to address your issue at a convenient time. Our goal as a board is to respond to a “contact us” message within twenty-four hours.

And while on the topic of efficient electronic communication, please note that if you wish to submit a modification request for buildings or landscaping, you can do that digitally on the [wwpines.net](http://wwpines.net) website. Go to “Forms,” and click on either a printable or digital modification request.

**Seven of 148 WWPC households do not have online connection.** Those people receive this newsletter and other major board communications (like budget and annual meeting information, and by-law changes) in paper copy. They do NOT receive short messages (like Marketplace listings, announcements about plowing or landscaping schedules, notices of



death of co-owners). If you are one of those who doesn't have email, please feel free to contact a board member directly, using the phone numbers listed in the directory. For a printed copy of the directory, please ask the secretary. If you DO receive electronic messages from the board, and know that one of your neighbors is unable to reach the board online, please consider helping them stay informed.

#### **Reminders:**

- Membership dues for 2023 will be \$350 per month, beginning in January.
- Christmas decorations should be down by the end of January. In the meantime, enjoy the wreaths, lights, and decorations of the season.

#### **Dormant pruning: south half of the association**

This work will be done by DJs over the winter. We expect to see them in January or February. For a more thorough explanation of this project, see the November, 2022, newsletter. If you have questions, please use the [wwpines.net](http://wwpines.net) website to contact Gerry Stoneburner.

#### **The winds of winter**

Just a year ago, a major windstorm uprooted more than seven large evergreens in the association. And it's that time of year again. We may not be able to protect our trees from the wind, but we can protect the pond.

How? By bagging ALL garbage that goes out on Sunday night for Monday morning pickup. It's almost inevitable that strong winds blow the bin lids open, sometimes tipping them over, and carrying away all sorts of trash. Anything that isn't bagged—especially lightweight plastic or newsprint—will be carried by the winds onto our lawns, wooded areas, and the pond. Recyclables must be bagged in clear plastic only. Other garbage can be bagged in colored plastic or paper bags. Recycling is the responsible thing to do for the environment—but only if the recyclables don't turn into litter.

#### **Thanks...**

- To Paul Kehnle who is completing his long service to the board this month
- To everyone who has ever volunteered on the board, or as a building inspector, weed puller, librarian, fish planter, goose wrangler, gardener—or in any other way helped to make WWPC a good place to live.

**The next WWPC newsletter will be in February, 2023.**