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NEWSLETTER

Next Neighborhood Get-Together at Simpson United Methodist Church
June 28 – Dessert 6:30 p.m.-Discussion 7 p.m.

Summer in Full Swing

by Richard Friedman

June greetings to all residents of Williams Woodland! This has been a rather busy month for the neighborhood and July will be just as busy. June saw our neighborhood running its annual garage sale as well as the annual plant swap. From what I saw on the Saturday of the garage sale we had 14 households with items out for sale. That is quite the turnout! David and I did pretty well, selling about half of our stuff and making a decent amount. All was going well until we decided to wander the neighborhood to look at other people's items and ended up spending half our profits and bringing several things home. I guess we are even though, as several neighbors had come by and bought from us earlier. It's really like we have our own micro-economy going in the neighborhood with items rotating around between families every few years.

Looking forward, our big event in July will be participating in the Three Rivers Festival Parade. We started running a float in the parade two years ago and won an award that very first year. This year we hope to earn a new award by working hard to incorporate not only our neighborhood's style but also the parade's theme, The Sights and Sounds of Summer. From what I hear, those brave enough to ride the float in costume will be wearing old fashioned circa 1900's swimsuits custom made by our resident seamstresses. If you have ever seen those turn of the century pictures of couples going to the beach with the men dressed in what looked like full length body suits and the women in bathing suit dresses, you know just what an impact our float will make. We are, of course, always looking for additional people to participate so if you want to ride or walk along in your own custom-made swimsuit (or regular attire if you prefer) please join us. The parade begins at 10am on July 9th but we will be meeting a few times before that to coordinate things. Dates and times for working on the float as well as for meeting before the parade will be discussed at this month's meeting.

Speaking of meetings and extra neighborhood activities, I would like to take this opportunity to recognize Joanie Loch for all the work that she has done so far this year with the community garden. If you have been past the garden down on Woodland recently, you know just how great the whole thing looks. She and her team of gardeners are out there practically every day watering, weeding and, of course, harvesting the vegetables. The communal club system that began this year has really paid off and I would like to congratulate them on all of their work.

Looking even further ahead, it is almost time to begin planning for the 2011 Holiday Home Tour. I know it seems crazy to even be thinking about a December event at the end of June, but the amount of planning and time that goes into the Home Tour is immense. If you are interested in helping, subcommittees will be forming soon so either volunteer at the upcoming meeting or contact myself or Rebecca and we will find plenty for you to do.

That is all for this month. I wish you all a wonderful rest of the summer (until you hear from again in July, that is) and hope to see you at our upcoming events. We have had several new people move into the neighborhood recently so now is the time to get to know them. And, with that, here is this month's quote, from O. A. Battista: "A neighbor is a person who can get to your house in less than a minute and takes two hours to go back home." Let's continue to build not just a grouping of homes, but a true neighborhood.

TRF Parade

In a week or so the 2011 TRF parade will be a fond memory. If you would like this year to be the one where you and your family and friends remember being in the parade and not just watching it, **call David Shearer 402-2001**. We have a limited number of slots, and we want you and your smiles to be a part of this memorable opportunity.

We will present "sights and sounds of summer" from the perspective of our fine Williams Woodland Park Neighborhood. So if you can provide a smile, or sew vintage outfits, or help assemble the float or tear it down, give David a call. Love to see you!

The 2010 TRF float and its entourage:



WWPN Book Club

WWPN & Friends Book club will meet at Richard Friedman and David Brandon's house (2515 Hoagland Ave.) on June 30th at 7pm. The book for the month is *The Picture of Dorian Gray* by Oscar Wilde. All neighbors are welcome!

July 4th Cookout

The annual July 4th cookout is actually happening on Sunday, July 3rd at 12:00 PM this year at Josh and Melissa Summers. It's a cook-off and we will provide smoked pulled-pork. Bring a side, or something smoked, drinks, and lawn chairs.

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Community Garden News

The community co-op garden is coming along nicely this year. There was much 'catching up' to do with getting beds and paths under control, and while gardening will always be time consuming I do feel that we are finally ahead of the game. If you have some time while walking the neighborhood please feel free to browse through. There are labels in most beds, but you may have to look for them. Just remember as you walk through that the rewards of this garden belong to those who've joined this year. So if the temptation to harvest fresh veggies right here at home is too strong please contact Joanie at joanie_loch@yahoo.com to get information on gardening next year!

Real Estate Review

by Rose Blevins

With summer in full swing, many neighbors are out and about. The general appearance of the neighborhood demonstrates the care of many of our home owners and should be an enticement for any potential buyers.

2417 Webster has been sold: Is that exciting!! Aaron Butler bought the house at 201 W Woodland at the auction. It is anticipated that 2518S Harrison will be demolished soon.

The owners of the following properties are eager to sell.

2316 S Harrison	3 bedroom	2 bath	\$67,900
2415 Hoagland	4 bedroom	2 1/2 bath	\$172,000
321 W Suttentfield	5 bedroom	2 bath	\$89,900
125 W Creighton	4 bedroom	3 1/2 bath	\$69,900
2515 Hoagland	3 Bedroom	2 Full Bath	\$109,000
2318 Webster	4 bedroom	2 1/2 bath	\$99,900

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Vacation Bible School

Simpson UMC will be having Vacation Bible School August 8 – 12. The program is open to children 3 years to completed 4th grade. Cost will be \$10 and includes a T shirt. Look for more information in the July newsletter!

Upcoming WWPNA Social Events

June 28, 6:30 PM -
Neighborhood Meeting

July 3, 12:00 PM - July 4th
Cook-out

July 9, 10:00 AM - Three
Rivers Festival Parade

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