

WOOD CREEK TRAILS

Fall 2002 Here's The Latest!!

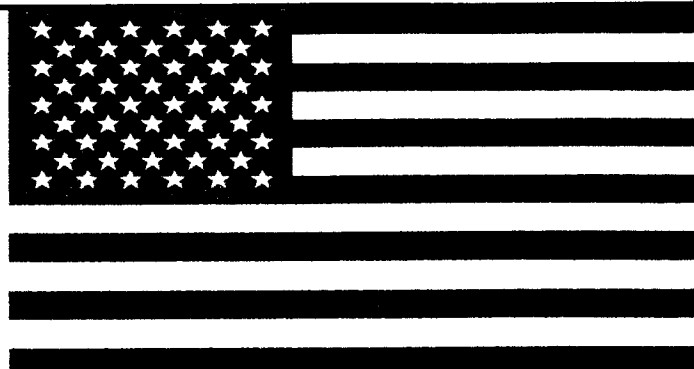
Election of Officers — The next Civic Association general meeting and election of officers will be held on Thursday, October 17 at 7:00 PM. The meeting will be held at the Faith Baptist Church, 4210 Limestone Road, across the street from Wood Creek, in the back of the church. Please use right side of church door.

Park Update — All playground equipment has been completed, and the baseball field is currently being laid out. The field will have fences along the sides and back stops, open dugouts and outfield fences. Fences have also been installed along the side of the park, and along Limestone Road.

Vandalism — Vandalism has already occurred in the park. Profanities have been written on the tables and benches, the playground equipment has been stained by individuals throwing walnut balls that have dropped from the trees stakes were ripped away from the new trees and construction equipment on the site had a window broken. New Castle County has notified the police. Please be aware of this problem and report anything suspicious.



Annual Dues — We only have 13 residents remaining out of 340 houses that have not paid their dues. Excellent work! Let's make it 100% PAID. If



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 ☆ Remember our service men and women ☆
 ☆ are fighting for all of us. ☆
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those remaining 13 residents have any questions or concerns, please contact Rick Rokita.

We Have A New Block Captain! — Welcome Judy Smith. Judy will be in charge of delivering our newsletter to residents of Block 8, which cover: Jasmine Dr. #814-825, Greenwood Dr. #402-410, 412, 414-421, 423, 425, 427. Thank you, Judy!

Tree Trimming — The trees that line the front entrance on both sides of the street have been nicely trimmed and shaped. There are still more trees and bushes that need to be trimmed up, and that will be done in the next several weeks. Several of these trees' branches were covered the street lights, and that has now been taken care of.

New Maintenance Director Needed! — Are you interested in being the Maintenance Director for Wood Creek? If so, please call Rick Rokita. Duties include: handling of snow removal contracts and bids, fielding residents questions regarding snow removal, and landscaping issues.

Trash Detail — On July 26 some of the local inmates collected 65 bags of trash along Limestone Road, in and around the medians between Milltown

Rick Rokita, President	633-6373
Tom Mannino, Vice-President	633-4508
Dan McDonald, Treasurer	994-5068
Lisa Adams, Secretary	633-4049
Eleanor Hughes, Welcome Committee	996-6499
Mike Davis, Safety Director	892-9699
Diane Rokita, Block Captain	633-6373
Thom Hill, Maintenance Director	996-9369

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Road and Linden Hill Road. Excellent work to those guys picking up the trash, and many thanks to our State Representative Pam Maier for putting in the Work Order on our behalf.

Sidewalks — The Department of Transportation is proposing sidewalks on Limestone Road from Arundel Drive to New Linden Hill Road. The proposed improvements would consist of sidewalks on the northern side of Limestone Road and intersection improvements to enhance pedestrian circulation between Arundel Drive and New Linden Hill Road.

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Deed Restrictions!! You can now get all deed restrictions from our new web site or from the back of the directory.

Deed restrictions of the month:

#8 Vegetable Gardens. No vegetable gardens shall be kept or maintained in side or front yard areas.

#10 Trash Receptacles. Trash receptacles shall be kept in enclosed areas, hidden from view, excepting on regular collection days, when they may be placed temporarily at the curb. Trash must be in covered cans or sealed plastic bags.

#13 Signs. No signs of any nature whatsoever shall be erected, placed or maintained on any lot, except that a single real estate "For Sale" sign may be so placed and maintained.

These restrictions have been copied directly from the Deed Restrictions contract that you attained when you purchased your house in Wood Creek. Over the past several months, it has been noticed that several residents have and are violating these restrictions. Please adhere to Wood Creek Deed Restrictions, it makes our community a much more beautiful one and helps keep property value high. Something we should all be proud of!

Trash! If you see trash anywhere in the community, please pick it up. We have a beautiful community, and when there is litter in yards, the front entrance, anywhere, it just makes our community look bad. Please pass along to your family and any of their visitors, please **DO NOT LITTER!**

Barking Dogs!! If your neighbor's dog's barking is annoying you, it is up to you to have a friendly chat with them. However, after the 10 o'clock evening hour, you can call the New Castle County police and file a complaint.

Dog Droppings! Please pick up after your dog and dispose of properly. We have had complaints that some are disposing of droppings in the storm sewers. This pollutes our streams and eventually our drinking water.

Speeding! As always, please pay special attention to speeding and other traffic violations in Wood Creek. This is an ongoing problem, hence an ongoing concern. Help keep our neighborhood safe!!

Please report all infractions to Mike Davis, our Safety Director, at 892-9699 or any Board Member.

Overhanging Trees! Please keep any trees or shrubs that may be overhanging the road trimmed. Trees that overhang can hit a vehicle's antennas, and may cause them to swerve toward the middle of the road.

Reminder: Many people run the light at the entrance. Please look both ways before entering Limestone Road — even if you have the green light!!



It's ready and it's all new — our web site!! You will also be able to send the Board Members email via the web site.

Check It Out!!

Thank you Donald Gallagher and Eric Dunford for all your work in designing our web site. It looks great!

www.geocities.com/woodcreek_de



Community Fall Yard Sale
Saturday, October 19, 2002
9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Wood Creek's community yard sale will be Saturday, October 19, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Notice of the community yard sale will be advertised in the News Journal and the Community News.

Wood Creek's Real Estate Corner

Fall is upon us and now is the time to prepare for colder and wetter weather. Maintaining the beauty and value of your home is important. In order to protect your investment, you should take the following steps:

1. Inspect all painted and caulked surfaces. Add caulk and paint where needed.
2. Remove all leaves and debris from gutters & downspouts for proper draining.
3. Inspect your roof (vents, chimneys, and flashing require periodic caulking).
4. Check weather stripping and seals to prevent air and water leaks.
5. Add fall fertilizer and address lawn issues (aerate and de-thatch).
6. Prune shrubs and clean out the garden beds of leaves and debris.
7. Check grading around the home, grounds should drain away from the home.
8. Make repairs and seal your driveway surfaces to prolong the life of the surface.
9. Have your heating system serviced and your chimneys cleaned.
10. Test your smoke detector and Carbon Monoxide, replace batteries (if applicable).

These are just a few steps to keep your home attractive, and extend the life of the structure and systems. Wood Creek has seen home values excess of \$300,000, and we want to continue the increasing values. If you would like more information regarding home values and improvement, please call Wayne M. West, REALTOR at Patterson-Schwartz REALTORS. (302) 733-7073 or (800) 220-7028.

Wayne M. West
Patterson-Schwartz REALTORS
680 S. College Avenue
Newark DE 19713
(302) 733-7000 Ext. 7073

Community Halloween Costume Parade
Saturday, October 26, 2002
11:00 AM
AT THE PARK

Here's a chance to come and see the new park, and get to know some of your neighbors!



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If You Own a House, Mobile Home or Other Structure with Polybutylene Plumbing Purchased After September 12, 1999

THIS NOTICE MAY AFFECT YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS

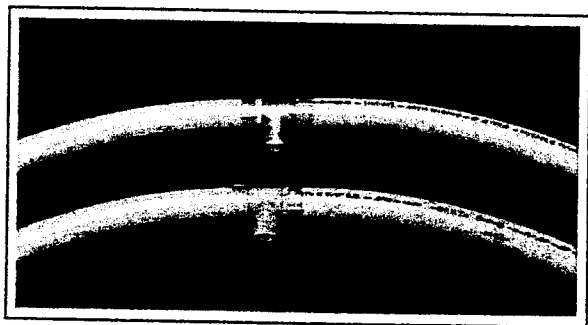
If you purchased a house, mobile home or other structure in the United States after September 12, 1999, that contains plumbing composed of polybutylene pipe with plastic or metal insert fittings ("PB plumbing"), this Notice is directed to you. The PB plumbing must have been installed between January 1, 1978 and July 31, 1995.

The \$950 million settlement in *Cox v. Shell Oil Company*, a national class action on behalf of homeowners who have PB plumbing, provides relief to Class Members with qualifying leaks in PB plumbing that meets certain age restrictions as defined in the Notice of Class Action and Settlement.

If you have PB plumbing, you may be entitled to free replacement of your plumbing if it has leaked in the past, or leaks in the future. If you had a qualifying leak in your PB plumbing, you must complete a Claim Eligibility Form to begin the processing of your claim.

If you do NOT want to remain a Class Member and participate in the benefits of the Settlement ("opt out"), you must complete, sign and return an Exclusion Request as outlined in the Notice of Class Action and Settlement. If you opt out you will not participate in any of the benefits of the settlement or be bound by it.

Identifying Polybutylene Pipe



- PB pipe is a non-rigid, sometimes curved, usually gray (or possibly silver or black) plastic pipe used in water supply plumbing systems.
- PB pipe is blue, gray or black when used in the underground service from the water company.
- PB pipe is not used for drains, waste or vent piping.
- PB pipe is not PVC or CPVC, which is a rigid white or off-white plastic pipe.

For more information on your rights under the settlement, including the official Notice of Class Action and Settlement and the Claim Eligibility Form, please consult:

Polybutylene Plumbing Website

www.pbpipe.com

Toll-Free Telephone Information

1-800-392-7591

Write to: Consumer Plumbing Recovery Center, PO Box 869006, Plano, TX 75086-9006



**ATTENTION ALL GHOSTS AND
GOBLINS OF WOOD CREEK, THE HALLOWEEN
COSTUME PARADE WILL BE HELD ON:**

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2002 at 11:00 AM

AT THE PARK

(RAIN DATE: SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 at 1:00 PM)

Here's a chance to come and see the new park and get to know some of your neighbors!

We need volunteers to bring cupcakes, cookies, or other goodies. Please contact one of the committee members if you can help. Also, *ANYONE* is welcome to join the "Children's Activities" Committee...no qualifications necessary...*just a desire to spread a little joy and have some fun.!*

Remember, many hands make the workload light. We celebrate Halloween, Christmas, and Easter. Give us a call if you are interested.

Committee:	Anita Delaney	994-9582
	Pat Gallagher	994-4830
	Elizabeth Pepeta	633-0564
	Lorraine Whitten	999-7089

Please R.S.V.P. for Halloween Parade by **October 23** so we have an idea of how many will be attending. Just cut off the bottom portion of this flyer and put it in the mailbox at **17 Ocheltree Drive.**

We will be attending the Halloween Parade: Family Name _____

Phone Number _____

Number of Adults _____ Number of Children _____



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DE Crime Stoppers 1-800-TIP-3333
Domestic Violence Hotline 762-6110
Emergency Gas & Electric (Conectiv) 454-0317
Mental Health Mobile Crisis Center 577-2484
Poison Info Center (24 hrs.) 1-800-722-7112
Rape Crisis Center 761-9100
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Suicide Prevention 1-800-652-2929

USEFUL NUMBERS

AMTRAK Schedules & Info 1-800-872-7245
Christina School District 454-2500
Christina School Bus Info 454-2281
DART Bus & Rail Schedule Info 652-3278
Hospice Programs 1-800-219-0092
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Red Clay School District 683-6600
Red Clay School Bus Info 322-0251
SPCA 998-2281
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Smoking Cessation 1-866-409-1858
Volunteer Link 1-800-815-5465

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Legislation/Tours of Leg Hall 1-800-282-8545
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State Taxpayer Assistance 577-8200
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www.co.new-castle.de.us

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