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The Torch Is Passed

Emerging Wellington Crossing Culture

We offer a BIG thanks to all the more than thirty people who turned up for the First Annual Wellington Crossing Spring Clean-Up Morning. People representing the town houses and each of the other buildings arrived with trash bags to pick up winter debris around the property. Some of us stayed for the pizza, met neighbors, and had fun socializing. Viewing the property before and after revealed a wonderful and amazing difference.

This event saved both communities almost \$ 500.00 because it decreased the workload of the landscapers. Thank you to Pete Monahan and Sidney Hudig for arranging it.

If you have any ideas for other community projects that can make a difference to the community, send us your ideas.

Condo Living

Condo living can be a great way to participate in home ownership. It is unlike owning a free standing home and unlike renting but combines the best of both. As condo homeowners, we own the interior of our unit.

Though we might have done projects in the yard of our private home, in a condo we must keep projects to our personal space. The grounds and buildings are owned by the association, are maintained by the association, and cannot be altered by us in any way.

While remembering that the common areas -- halls, grounds, and buildings, are not our private property, it is to our benefit to treat those areas with the same respect as we would treat the interior of our units. After all, common areas are for the use and enjoyment of all of us!

As Volume 2, Issue 5 is published, we have grasped the Wellington Crossing Newsletter torch passed to us by Len Ruthazer and begin running with it. We thank Len for transforming a vision into a reality and providing us with a variety of memorable articles composed in his distinctive writing style.

Until further notice, contact the newsletter staff at wellingtoncrossing@gmail.com. Please make the change in your address book. Use the same address if you have corrections or modifications to your electronic mail address.

Wellington Crossing Pet Lovers Forum

Want an opportunity in our newsletter to reach out to other Wellington Crossing pet owners sharing tips about pet care, reminders about seasonal pet care, locations of nearby pet-friendly parks and establishments? Contact the newsletter staff if you are interested.

'Tis the season for ticks. Make sure your pet is protected.

In & Around Waltham

Waltham Seniors 62+ - Effective April 1, the Senior Parking Placard is \$ 5.00 and may be purchased at the Waltham Council on Aging, 488 Main Street, Waltham.

Charles River Museum of Industry and Innovation, 154 Moody Street, Waltham – ending May 20th, “The Wheelman’s Machine,” chronicling the history of the bicycle including photos, ads, and early bicycles. Open Thursday – Saturday, 10:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

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As spring and then summer approaches, the sprinklers on some of the lawns will start and we may start to think about flowers. Roc Landscaping has been instructed to plant some flowers in the common areas. As we make our personal space outdoor plant and flower arrangement plans, remember, according to condominium association rules, we must keep flower boxes and planters inside our balcony/deck railing.

Under state fire laws, the high-rise units with balconies may not have grills, while the town houses may have grills but must keep them at least ten feet from the building while in use. In the future, for the use of all, we may wish to purchase gas grills for the clubhouse area.

Pulte has stated they will provide a treadmill and a bicycle for our clubhouse. Then it is up to us to purchase any other equipment. If you have any ideas, contact sidahudig@hotmail.com.

TRUSTEE APPROVAL

After checking out available domain names, trustees approved the registration of our condominium association's domain name as wellingtoncrossing.net. Our next steps are to obtain a host and to gather a working group of homeowners with the skills and ideas to design our future webpage.

Anyone who might be willing to volunteer their time and expertise toward the development of our condominium association website, please let us know at wellingtoncrossing@gmail.com

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This season, ROC Landscaping has been awarded the landscaping contract. Crowninshield assigns the specific tasks to the landscapers. Please, communicate any of your individual suggestions to us not to the working landscapers.

Any pet owners unsure of the designated pet areas, please contact us.

Within the next two months, Champion Cleaning Company, who currently does the regular cleaning, will clean the carpets in the common area halls.