



# WELLINGTON CROSSING NEWSLETTERSeptember 2009Volume 2, Issue 9

## Trustees Meeting – August 12, 2009

Brian Lupien, one of the Pulte Trustees, announced at the meeting on August 12th that the last unit in Building 2 was finally sold and that the closing was scheduled. According to the Trust Agreement, Pulte is required to turn over the Wellington "A" property. Crowninshield will send out notices and the process for electing trustees will proceed according to the procedures outlined in the notice homeowners received by mail in July.

## New Committee Forming: Strategic Planning and Vision Committee

Interested in joining us to develop goals, a mission statement, prioritized actions, and related planning that will help our community association build a strong foundation for the future? We are looking for a team of volunteer committee members representing both Wellington Crossing A and B to get started on brainstorming what will best ensure success in developing strategies and plans to serve our community. Please forward your contact information to wellingtoncrossing@gmail.com to receive an advance invitation to the September kick-off meeting.

If you are interested in helping to plan for Wellington Crossing's long-term future, we are eager to have you join us. No prior experience is required and all interested are most welcome! If you do not have e-mail access, please give your name to the Community Representative for your building.

Anyone willing to help with the refreshments for the social portion of the "Meet the Candidates" sessions, please contact Iris at 781-899-3718.

## Meet the Trustee Candidates

The first "Meet the Candidates Night" that will include candidates from "A" and "B" will take place on Wednesday, September 23 in the parking lot between Buildings 2 & 3. Check the bulletin boards for time. Bring a chair.

In an attempt to be productive, we are accepting questions to be presented to candidates for preparation of their thoughtful responses prior to that evening.

Include each question on an individual sheet of paper and place it in the drop boxes located in your building lobby and in front of 26-2 Bartlett Way or email it to wellingtoncrossing@gmail.com where it will be forwarded to the appropriate person.

Suggestions include: Word the questions simply. Choose issues of major interest to our community. Don't let a question seem to favor any candidate. Restrict issues to those solvable at our community level. Ask general and specific questions.

The questions will be gathered, collated by content, merged with other duplicate questions, screened for slander and presented to candidates.

Additional pre-written questions can be submitted each evening. They will be addressed that evening or at future meetings.

Running for and voting for trustees is an important decision we each need to make. It should be done based upon as much information as possible. The meetings are an attempt to help provide a forum for us to learn about the views of the candidates and to socialize informally with them prior to the formal Election Meeting.

# The Workings of a Condo Community

*Condo Media* is a monthly magazine published by the New England Chapter of Community Associations Institute that serves condominiums, cooperatives and homeowner associations.

Wellington Crossing homeowners might be interested in reading columns entitled "Legal; Insurance; Banking; Maintenance; and Technology"

To start receiving your digital edition of Condo Media contact CondoMedia@caine.org or 781-237-9021 x10.

## In & Around Waltham

is prominently displayed opposite your 1<sup>st</sup> floor elevator.

Contact Ginnie Falvey (Bldg. 1) if you have any items to contribute for the month of October or email messages to wellingtoncrossing@gmail.com with the subject: "In & Around Waltham" and they will be forwarded to her.

# As Told to the Roaming Reporter

Reflections shared by Unit Owners with the Roaming Reporter about how to make the quality of life even better at Wellington Crossing.

Next year, for landscaping, how about planting a ground cover in the sloping areas where the tall grasses and weeds currently grow along Clocktower Drive in back of the townhouses approaching Building 1?

# Seeking Ground Cover?

Source: Wellington Crossing Condominium Rules and Regulations

**9. IMPROVEMENTS TO COMMON AREAS AND FACILITIES** -Improvements to and landscaping of the Common Areas and Facilities shall be done only by the Trustees, or in such cases as written permission of the Trustees has been obtained. Planting of fruits or vegetables is absolutely prohibited in or on any Common, or Limited Common Areas.

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### Thru the Rearview Window

(Lexington Street 1960s - continued)

Crossing Dale Street, one looks at the huge display of bicycles, lawn mowers, and children's vehicles stored behind the gas pumps at Tom Lyons (currently the Tom Lyons Tire and Automotive Center).

Across the street sits The Waltham Automotive Company (a place to really get your car fixed). The stroller then passes the Ideal Block Company's Yards, the Piety Corner Gardens Restaurant (soon to become Chesterbrook and then to disappear), and notes that gas at Arthur Grove's Mobil Station costs 31.9 cents per gallon! *Name withheld* 

### Waltham Now: CVS/Burger King area Waltham Then: Wal-Lex Recreation Center

In 1946, construction by Frederick Tortola, John & George Rando, and Joe Russo began in an apple orchard on the Hardy Estate at the corner of Lexington and Lake Streets. In 1947, a 20-lane bowling alley opened. Through the years, additional stories and an annex were added. The Wal-Lex Recreation Center became a bustling center of family activity for bowling, rollerskating, and game room activities. One of the first bowling alleys to have automated lanes, a weekly candlepin bowling show was broadcast from the site. Family members gathered at the Kiddieland, the dairy stand, and the miniature golf course. In 1986, Burger King purchased a portion of land. In 2002, the Tortella family sold the remaining property to CVS.

Source: http://www.waltham-community.org/

# **Crowninshield Corner**

Crowninshield Contact: David Hamel 978-532-4800 x 216

Attend a meeting about the pet policy of Wellington "A" and Wellington "B" on Wednesday, September 9, 2009 at 6 P.M. at the clubhouse.

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