



# The Woodlands Acorn

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## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

*Paul Jansen*



I think I have said this several times, but wow does time seem to just fly. I cannot believe that it is already spring/summer. Not only that, but I am amazed that it is going on 6 years since my wife and I moved to this neighborhood. We feel truly blessed to be in a place that has so much to offer with great people. I was recently talking with a group of new hires at the place I work, and reflected on the old saying that if you find work that you love, then you won't really work. I've found that it's more than that. Find work you love, for a company that you love, and most important, with people that you love. Well, Missy and I have hit the trifecta with the Woodlands. We have a place we love, in a neighborhood we love, but most importantly, with great neighbors.

The all-volunteer homeowner's association board continues its core mission to take care and enhance the assets of the neighborhood. From the pool, the lake, tennis or pickleball courts, clubhouse, great activities, to the common grounds. As you take part in all that we have, please don't hesitate to contact us with suggestions and we look forward to seeing you around the neighborhood.

Finally, I want to say a major thankyou to a few former board members. Scott Adams (President), Ross Sexter (Clubhouse), Judy Rouhselang (Grounds), Lisa McCoy (Membership), Brian Kinnick (Activities). I appreciate the time, energy, effort, work, dedication, and service you put into volunteering for the Woodlands Homeowners Association and membership. Your efforts are appreciated. Thanks!!

Paul Jansen

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## ACTIVITIES

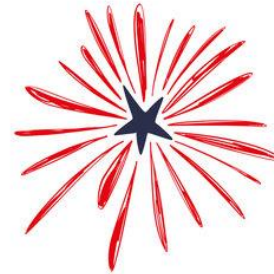
John and Tiffany Buckingham

What a great kick-off to Spring and the outdoor seasons!

We were blown away by the number of participants at our Easter event. It was so encouraging being able to see everyone mingle and continue to develop a sense of community. We had many tasty snacks for the kids and hot coffee for the grown-ups. We were also very lucky to have the Indiana House Rabbit Society bring along Zeus, one of their adorable adoptable bunnies! After snacks, arts and crafts, and bunny time we headed outside for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt for all the kids. The weather was amazing, and the candy-filled eggs were plentiful. One youth from each age group was lucky enough to find the GOLDEN EGG which earned them a gift card to BASKIN ROBBINS! The older kids Golden Egg may have been a bit too difficult to find, but nonetheless the youngsters were determined and never gave up and eventually it was found.

We have a Woodlands-wide garage sale coming up **June 15-17**. Time to declutter and make some money! We hope to see a lot of households participating in the garage sale this year.

**Saturday, July 1st**, will be the annual 4th of July parade. We will grill some hot dogs and have chips and drinks available, and we will have Fun with Frannie in attendance to give the kids airbrush tattoos after the parade. Check your email for more details coming soon! We hope to see everyone come there!



## POOL NEWS

Josh Linderman

### General 2023 Season Update:

ITS POOL SEASON!!! Make the most of summertime by heading to the pool as much as you can!

I have a couple simple updates for the 2023 season:

- The baby pool is working great, and the kids are loving it! See picture.
- After some repairs, the pool heater is up and running.
- The "Pool Detective" fixed three significant leaks which were hiding behind the underwater lights!
- Aquatic hired a great team of lifeguards this year. Several guards live in the Woodlands. Feel free to introduce yourselves and make them feel welcome at our pool.
- Swim Team is underway. The pool will be closed June 8th, 15th, and 22nd for home swim meets.
- Swim Lessons are scheduled June 12th -16th and June 19th -23<sup>rd</sup>.
- Check the pool website for detailed hours, dates, and other information

Thanks,

Josh Linderman



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# Lake and Grounds Updates

Grant Morris

Hello Woodlands residents!

What a start to 2023 this has been... mother nature blessed us with a blizzard at the peak of our winter holiday and continued taunting us through the spring season. Despite all the highs and lows, we made it to another beautiful Indiana summer with just a few minor changes! Our HOA was blessed for many years having Judy Rouhselang oversee the grounds duties, but she decided it was time to pass the opportunity along. So without further a due, it's a please to introduce myself as the new grounds' director for this wonderful Woodlands HOA.

My amazing partner Sarah and I have been residing here since September 2017 with our two pups (Yogi Charles & Patrick Ryan). We have had the privilege of meeting many residents personally, over the years and others have probably seen Yogi the German Shorthair Pointer pulling me on a bike up and down our streets with a light strapped to my head after a long day work just itching to get his energy out. I look forward to meeting many more of our neighbors over the years, so don't hesitate to flag us down and say hi!

## Now for important stuff!!

As the summer season kicks off, many of our residents have inquired about watercraft registration, storage & lake use:

- Watercraft use on the lake is for woodland residents only.
- Watercraft storage (kayaks, canoes & paddle boats) is on a first come, first served basis and must be registered with the HOA at the start of each season (storage is at capacity for the 2023 season).
- Watercrafts that are taken home after each use (not stored behind the pool) are not required to be registered.
- Lakefront property owners with a watercraft, please ensure your assets are securely tied up to prevent damage to your and other neighbors' property.

## IMPORTANT MESSAGE AND RULES ABOUT WOODLANDS SPILLWAY AND DAM AREA

We ask that all Woodland homeowners please observe the following rules regarding the spillway and dam behind the WHOA Clubhouse, and please share these rules with your family. If you see or feel that there is an issue, we ask that you please report it to the Woodlands Grounds Director @ [grounds@woodlandshomeowners.org](mailto:grounds@woodlandshomeowners.org)

- Please do not play on any part of the rocky portion of the dam (this is not safe).
- Do not move stones (called "riprap") from off the sides of the spillway channel and into the channel.
- Do not move/relocate/pile up/collect the stones ("riprap") from the dam and block the waterflow on the spillway.
- Do not build other structures, walkways, castles, towers, campfires, etc.
- After moderate/heavy rains stay away from dam altogether and stay away from the rushing water in the creeks.
- Do not leave boats or watercraft on the dam or spillway.
- Vehicles and boat trailers are not allowed to be parked on the dam at any time.

Thank you for observing the rules!

## Tennis Updates 2023

Greer Trapkus-Harris

Happy Summer! The Woodlands Homeowners Association features two beautiful tennis courts that are free for use by Association members anytime except during scheduled tennis lessons or when reserved for open play pickleball. The south court is also lined for pickleball and features two rolling, all-weather pickleball nets.

### **Court Reservation**

If you are a resident of the Woodlands Homeowners Association and are interested in reserving a court, please email [tennis@woodlandshomeowners.org](mailto:tennis@woodlandshomeowners.org) to request a neighborhood Skedda account. In your request, please include your name, address and monitored email address. Please allow 24 - 48 hours for onboarding.

### **Open Play Pickleball**

All homeowners are invited to participate in Open Play Pickleball on Monday and Thursday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. All experience levels are welcome!

### **Youth Tennis Lessons**

Summer tennis lessons are underway! Please be aware of increased traffic near the courts between 9:45 a.m. - 1:15 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays in the month of June. Both courts are reserved during this time.

### **Additional Information**

Please be mindful that the courts are a shared community asset for the residents of the Woodlands Homeowners Association and guests accompanied by an adult WHA member. Additional information on court rules can be found at <https://woodlandshomeowners.org/tennis-info/>.

**See you at the courts!**

**Greer Trapkus-Harris**

**WHA Tennis Director**

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## NEIGHBORHOOD SAFETY

If a streetlight is out near your home, determine if the lamp is serviced by IPL or Duke Energy. Obtain the serial number from the post then contact the appropriate company.

IPL: [https://www.iplpower.com/Outages/Reporting\\_Streetlight\\_or\\_Security\\_Light\\_Problems/](https://www.iplpower.com/Outages/Reporting_Streetlight_or_Security_Light_Problems/)  
Duke Energy: <https://www.duke-energy.com/customer-service/request-light-repair>



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NEIGHBORHOOD WIDE  
GARAGE SALE

JULY 1ST

FOURTH OF JULY PARADE



The Acorn is issued three times a year to provide updates on activities in the Woodlands. If you have signed up for Woodlands emails, look for your copy via email in June and October. The Winter edition is mailed to each property in January.