



SBCA Jottings

Summer 2015

SBCA Annual Meeting

The SBCA Annual Meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, **September 24, 2015** at the Woodridge Park District Community Center, 2600 Center Drive, beginning at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held in the first floor meeting room. The building is fully handicapped accessible.

Owners interested in running for the Board should contact the SBCA Board via the Association Hotline or email address to get your name on the ballot. Proxy ballots have been mailed to each homeowner. Please complete and return your Proxy ballot to the Association if you are unable to attend the meeting on the 24th of September.

Spring Walk Around

The Spring Walk Around was held in June. Letters were sent to homeowners notifying them of items they need to repair/fix. In addition, the Board addressed a number of items that are its responsibility.

Spring and Summer Projects – Status Report

The Board is pleased to report that except for a few items the majority of the work planned for this summer has been completed. As of this writing the following projects have been completed:

- **Exterior Window Washing:**
The first of two window washings for this year has been completed.
- **Sprinkler Repairs:**
The irrigation system was turned on after a number of repairs were made to the sprinkler heads and system. Ongoing repairs continue to be made as needed.
- **Replacement of Rotten Wood:**
Rotten deck railing parts and trim on some units is being replaced.

- **Staining – Touchup, etc:**

Crews have begun to sand and prime all deck railings in preparation for a new coat of stain or paint in September.

- **Down Spouts:**

Down spouts have been extended or repaired in many areas.

- **Deck Power Washing:**

A light power washing of all decks is still planned for this summer/fall.

- **Streets:**

The Board has been discussing a plan to do a major street replacement; more information will be available at the Annual Meeting on Thursday, September 24, 2015.

Trees and Shrubs:

The Board has continued to fertilize and treat the trees and shrubs in our community.

- The Ash trees are receiving treatments to help fight the emerald ash borer that has destroyed hundreds of trees in the suburbs, Chicago, and Woodridge.
- **Plant/Shrub Replacements:**
Our annual planting of new and replacement shrubs will begin after Labor Day.

What is the Board Working on Now?

The Board is currently working on the following items:

- Beginning to gather information for the 2016 SBCA budget.
- Preparing for the SBCA Annual Meeting on Thursday, September 24, 2015.
- Discussing major repairs that the Association will face in the future.
- Seek proposal and determine when to remove seven (7) trees that have died.



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Fall Dryer Vent and Chimney Cleaning

The Association will coordinate another dryer vent/chimney cleaning day this fall. A survey asking if you wish to participate will be emailed to you toward early September. The price we secure will depend upon how many positive responses we receive.

How the SBCA Voice Mail Works

The SBCA Voice Mail is answered by volunteers from the SBCA Board. Each month a board member answers the voice mails and either directs the inquiry to the appropriate board member or personally answers the inquiry. Each board member establishes his/her own routine for checking the voice mails depending upon their own schedule. Therefore, if you leave a message at 1:00 p.m., and the voice mail was checked at 9:00 a.m., you may not receive a call back until the next day. Sometimes the voice mails are checked every two days.

If you have an emergency or concern that may be Association related and you haven't had a call back, knock on one of our doors. Just remember that we will try our best to promptly return your calls regarding Association business.

Also, don't forget that you can reach us via email.

SBCA Homeowners Insurance FYI

Board Member Carol Redell is responsible for securing proof of homeowner's insurance (HO3 or better) as required (see the ***Rules & Regulations under Insurance.***) Letters are mailed to all homeowners approximately thirty days before the policy expiration date. You may drop off the Declaration Page at Carol's home at 1 Brassie Court or mail it to Seven Bridges Courts Association at 27 Mashie Court, Woodridge, IL 60517.

Another option is to have your insurance agent list Seven Bridges Courts Association as an "Interested Party" on your insurance policy. They will automatically forward the Declaration Page to the Association via email at sbcaresidents@comcast.net or by U.S. mail. If you have additional questions about this procedure you may contact the SBCA Voice Mail at 630-415-1174.

Pet Owners

Residents have requested that we remind pet owners (especially dog owners) to take their pets off our property to take care of their "business." The Village of Woodridge has ordinances regarding picking up after your pet, but liquid, which can't be picked up damages the grass creating clumps and dead spots.

The islands on both our courts as well as other common areas are showing the damage caused by the frequent pet visits.

Due to the damage caused by frequent visits to areas, the Association may need to spend money to reseed/resod these areas to restore them to their original condition.

Also, pet waste must not be left outside in front of the units either in plastic bags or bags of any size laying on the ground or hanging on our landscape plants. It is unsightly, and is prohibited by the SBCA bylaws. So please take responsibility for your pet and don't let them soil the plants and grass on our property.

Lastly, please keep your pet on a leash. There is a Leash Law in Woodridge.

Speed Limit on Brassie and Mashie Courts

The speed limit on our courts is **10 MPH**. We have several small children residing on both Brassie and Mashie Courts. Observing the required speed limit will insure their safety.



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Also, please be extra careful when entering or exiting the courts. There have been a few near misses with vehicles and bicycle riders crossing the court entrances/exits on Double Eagle Drive without slowing down.

Please drive safely.

Burned Out Light Bulbs

Please continue to call the SBCA Voice Mail (630-415-1174) or email the SBCA website to report any burned out light bulbs. Your message will be forwarded to either John Mostowfi or Tom Primozić and your bulbs will be replaced as soon as possible. Please do not replace your light bulbs. They are under warranty and we need to return them.

Editor's Note:

The Board knows that the Jottings often contain reminders of things you shouldn't do. We want you to understand that we feel we must inform you of all the things that are going on in our community, both negative and positive. We are trying to respond to the concerns raised by our residents and also inform you of all the positive things that are happening around here.

SBCA Emails

Have you been getting our emails? If not, maybe we don't have your new email address. If you have recently changed your address please call the Hotline at 630-415-1174 and give us your new information. You can also email us at sbcaresidents@comcast.net.

If you would like us to send emails to other members of your household, please submit their address to us.

Also, please let us know in the same manner if you have changed your telephone number.

We Always Need Volunteers

We are a volunteer Board and we do need additional volunteers willing to help out from time to time. If you have special interest, talent or you would just like to help, we could use you. Please call the SBCA Hotline or email us and the appropriate Board Member will contact you.

Subscribe to Village E-New

The Village of Woodridge has a weekly email newsletter that it sends out to keep residents informed about what is going on in the Village. If you want to sign up for this free service go to the Village website, www.vil.woodridge.il.us and click "Subscribe to Electronic Newsletter" off to the left-hand side.

Website

Please check our website regularly at www.sevenbridgescourts.com for news, forms, board meeting dates, and a host of other information.

Suggestions for Future Jottings

If you have any suggested topics for the next Jottings, please call the Hotline at 630-415-1174, or contact Jim Duffy, Donna Kayser, or any other Board Member at the Association email address.

Questions are also welcomed.

Enjoy the rest of your summer.

Sincerely,
Jim Duffy
SBCA President