



2015 Election Information for Woodlake Towers Unit Owners

By Jim Pattisall, Election Committee Chairperson

As I mentioned during last month's Board meeting, I committed to write an article about this year's election procedures for our Woodlake Accents Newsletter. Here are my comments:

Please, Please, Please! If you plan to vote in advance of Election Night, October 15, 2015, place your Proxy Form/Instructed Ballot into the envelope that is addressed to the League of Women Voters enclosed in your Election Packet. Please do this as soon as possible and preferably by October 7. You do not have to have the Managing Agent or an Officer of the Association as your proxy agent. If you wish to have a proxy agent, name the League of Women Voters, and that organization will vote your ballot as you have instructed. There will be no ballot box in the Main Office to accept your Vote-in-Advance ballot.

When I first discussed my plan for this election cycle with Woodlake's General Manager, my memory is that Mrs. Johnson requested specifically that no ballots be turned into her hands. In last year's election, she had been accused of improperly handling the ballots. A major part of the design of this election cycle is to direct complaints and charges away from the Board and the Management Office and toward the Election Committee.

Owners should have received their Board of Election materials by this time. The packets were mailed on September 22 and 23. If you do not have the information, you may pick up a packet in the Management Office.

If you do not know the weight of your vote, or you simply want to check that weight, you may do so by examining information posted in the mail rooms and in the display cases. You will find there the model number for each group units, their square footage, and the weight assigned to their ballots. For example model 1R is the deluxe 1 bedroom/I bath with 750 square feet and a voting weight of .1095. If there is any discrepancy at all, please inform the Management Office immediately, and the error will be corrected.

The lobby of Bldg. 2 is the site where Owners wishing to vote in person will cast their ballots. Members of the League of Women Voters will be at tables near the wall to the left as you enter the lobby. There will be a separate registration table for Building 1 and for Building 3. There will be 2 tables for Building 3, one for Owners whose last names begin with A through M and the other table for Owners whose last names begin with N through Z. The ballot box will be located in front of the window at the end of the registration tables.

I believe that the ballot box is the property of Woodlake Towers. The lock and the key for the ballot box belong to the Election Committee, and the chairman of the committee is in charge of the key. From time to time during the voting, the ballot box will be emptied, the ballot will be placed in a large envelope, and three volunteer unit owners will deliver the ballots to the Tallying Center in the library.

Following the standard set by local, state, and federal elections, formal campaigning inside the polling place is prohibited with an exemption for the candidates themselves. Supporters of the various candidates may ask voters to support a particular candidate, but this must be done outside the voting space. The same applies to banners and signs and, of course, to marching bands!

Looking to be More Involved with the Mason District Police Department?

If you are interested in providing a valuable service to your community and become more informed about county issues and laws at the same time, consider joining our local FCPD Mason District Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC). The CAC enhances communication between residents and the Fairfax County Police Department and offers residents a chance to dialogue with members of our local police district. Members are kept informed about significant safety matters in their neighborhoods, and are encouraged to bring any issues or questions to the attention of our Mason District police commander.

Meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Mason District Police Station (and Government Center), 6507 Columbia Pike 22003. Police Captain Christian Quinn's phone number is 703-256-8035. The Citizen Advisory Committee contact is Gabe Goldberg at gabe@gabegold.com. Editor's note - Seriously, grab a friend and go to one of these meetings. It is informal, the folks are very friendly and refreshments are usually served.

Want to be more involved with the Fairfax County Police Department?

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FALL Yard Sale

Yard sale is schedule for October 17th and rain date will be October 24th. Tables are \$10.00 each. Sign up at the front desk.

Window installation

It is very important that all items are cleared 3 feet from your unit windows and 6 feet from your balcony windows. This is made very clear in the letter that you will receive when your unit is ready for replacement. If items are not cleared from the window pathways you stand a chance of being put last on the window replacement project. The contractor has been moving items to stay on track. PLEASE move your items as instructed to allow for a speedy window replacement schedule!

Suggested Contractors

There is a list of suggested contractors in the office. These are not recommendations or endorsements.

Save the Dates! (and check the display cases for additions and updates)

Oct. 5 — Community Concerns Meeting 7PM Manchester Room
Oct 15— Woodlake Towers Annual Meeting
Oct 27 - Board of Directors Meeting 7PM Manchester Room
Oct 28 - Finance Committee Meeting 7PM Manchester Room



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Season Ends at Building 3 Swimming Pool

By Warren Ellsworth, Unit Owner

Labor Day Monday was the unofficial end of summer and the last official day WTC pools were open. I talked with lifeguards Serhii Krymniak and Autumn Gramada as they exited their summer work experiences. You will remember Pong Teamnoke, the lifeguard I interviewed at the beginning of the summer. He had already left for Thailand, but Serhii had been talking with him almost every day since he headed home by way of New York City, Niagara Falls, Las Vegas, Los Angeles, San Diego, San Francisco, and Japan. He *loved* all his travels.

Autumn, Pong's replacement, is a rising sophomore at Arlington's Washington & Lee High School. She plays volleyball and performs contemporary and modern dance. Autumn participates in Arlington County's Teen Network, which helps identify issues of concern to teenagers; mentors young people and assists Arlington County address teens' concerns. She worked at three pools this summer and enjoyed her WTC assignment the most as it gave her an opportunity to get to know members of our diverse and friendly community. Going back to school this fall, she plans to improve her grade point average and looks forward to going to college after high school.

Serhii left the Tuesday after Labor Day for Kiev, Ukraine and his senior year in Transportation Management and Logistics at the National Transport University. His classes actually started a week before Labor Day, so he will have to play catch-up as soon as he arrives. After graduating with a bachelor's degree, Serhii will continue on to his master's degree. One of his goals for the summer was to improve his command of the English language. He said his interaction with WTC residents helped him achieve that goal. I recall that when I first interviewed Serhii and Pong, they relied heavily on their iPhone translators. The translator wasn't used once for this interview! He wanted to express his appreciation for all who interacted with him this summer.

And speaking of appreciation, there are two young Woodlake Towers residents who were particularly appreciative of Serhii this summer. Two inexperienced swimmers ventured into water well over their heads and began to flounder. Serhii rescued both of them and Woodlake Towers is *really* proud and thankful for his skills!

Attention Young Artists and Writers!

We have a situation in the library and are looking for some creative writers. The problem is that the library is often left with napkins on the shelves, old magazines and children's toys on the floor, and a bunch of children's books left on the tables. We are looking for some posters or pictures from our young librarians that will nicely show how important it is to leave the library looking neat and clean. We will display the artwork around a Halloween Kids' party in a few short weeks. Kids of all ages are encouraged to submit their ideas. Surely there will be prizes! Please turn in your posters and pictures to the Management Office for Sharon. C'mon!! Lets do this!!!

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