

## Winona Woods General Meeting Notes May 5, 2014

### **Call to Order, Introduction of Board members- Bradley Huber**

Board: Bradley Huber (P), Jeremy Morgante (VP), Michele Barnard (T), Amy DeYaeger (S), Eileen Broderick, Michelle Reichert (not present)

### **Discussion: Neighborhood Watch Update- Mike Ratigan**

- \* Training was held for "watchers" on April 22nd. Twelve people attended.
- \* Bottom line to training- do not be afraid to call 911
- \* Foot Patrol is not necessary. Network of Watchers is also very useful.
- \* WW goal is to have both, starting with Network of Watchers
- \* Guidelines for Watchers:
  - \* Attend a training session (next one is in October)
  - \* Join the WW Watch Email list (separate from the general WW distribution list)
  - \* Fill out Instant Report Forms when a incident is noted
  - \* Email incident reports to [wwwatch@gmail.com](mailto:wwwatch@gmail.com) as soon as possible so captain can decide if information needs to be disseminated to the entire group.
  - \* Do not approach or confront anyone
  - \* Be attentive while you dog walk, jog, bike etc.
- \* Walking Patrol volunteers will commit to one day per month
- \* "WW is a Neighborhood Watch Community" Window decal is available on website to print

### **Discussion: Good Food Collective (Jen Sally)**

- \* Brief explanation of what Good Food is and how we are participating
- \* Additional questions can be directed to Jen via the WW Website
- \* Our pickups will be at Trinity Communion Church on Tuesdays between 5-7
- \* Volunteers needed to assist with distribution. Contact Jen or Brad
- \* Fourteen weeks of deliveries begin Jun 24 and run through Sept 22.
- \* If start is delayed due to late growing season, end date will also shift so 14 wks. guarantee
- \* Discussions around ideas for splitting shares

### **Discussion: Yard Sale (Brad Huber)**

- \* June 13-14, 9am-3pm. 22 people registered so far.
- \* Forms available at meeting- payment not required to hand in form
- \* Donation goes to signage, ads, balloons
- \* VOA Pickup option will probably happen the Monday after the sales
- \* Street Capt.'s would like to know who is participating from their streets. Brad to compile & communicate

### **Discussion: Literature Drop**

- \* Vast majority in the room did get their package.
- \* Some participants learned of the meeting through the literature we dropped
- \* Street capt.'s noted that many doors did not accommodate the bags we used. Could be an issue if windy.
- \* People noted that they would appreciate markings on future literature drops that distinguish them as WW information rather than commercial solicitations.

**Discussion: Picnic (Brad Huber)**

- \* Picnic will be held on Winona between Chestnut and Chapel Hill & on Church grounds
- \* Permit will allow us to block off street in that area
- \* Food will be prepaid chicken BBQ or similar. If rain, food can be picked up "to go"
- \* Looking for chairperson to organize entertainment etc. Board will take care of food, permits etc.
- \* Some proceeds from the dinners will be used as WW fundraiser.

**Discussion: Invigorate Irondequoit (Amy DeYaeger)**

- \* Invigorate Irondequoit is an initiative to do a town wide clean up using volunteers
- \* WW is participating as a project team.
- \* More volunteers are welcome but deadline has passed so form is due by end of meeting
- \* Date and Time are Saturday, May 10th, 8-Noon with a lunch from 12-2 at Town Hall

**Discussion: Logo Contest (Brad Huber)**

- \* Four logos submitted
- \* Deadline is extended to May 14
- \* Board will select logo at May 14 Board Meeting

**Presentation: Greenlight Networks (Mark Murphy)**

- \* Locally based internet provider using fiber optics
- \* 100x faster than typical broadband
- \* Initial investment in the fiber optic wires can be justified if enough people sign up (about 100-150)
- \* Cost will be \$50 per month for 20 megabit upload/100 megabit download
- \* Faster may become available at a higher cost later on
- \* Fiber is up on Cooper Rd now (as well as at locations in Pittsford, Brighton & Henrietta)
- \* Time to connect us into network could be as little as 2-3 weeks after sign-ups reach the needed total
- \* Standard Install rate = \$100. Could be lowered or waived for people who sign up in the initial wave.
- \* Information and link has been distributed on website, FB, newsletter and literature drop

**Discussion: Street Trees (Brad Huber)**

- \* The current program that the town uses to replace/add street trees is inconsistent and disappointing
- \* Grant money was acquired and some tree planting was scheduled on a quadrant basis (NW, SW, NE, SE)
- \* We are in the SW quadrant and our area was supposed to get trees last year. Additional money is only slated for other quadrants.
- \* Some possible options for residents who would like trees on the right away near their property:
  - \* Purchase trees from the town approved list of tree varieties
  - \* Ask for a 50/50 match from the town
  - \* Volunteers would tend to newly planted trees (water etc)
  - \* WW Assn would streamline the permit process for our residents and help anyone who needs assistance with moving/planting trees.

**Activity: Winona Woods Memory Game (Amy DeYaeger)**

Divided group into 8 teams and played a game where participants try to memorize the items on a tray. cover them up and write them down without looking.  
Some items included WW Street names (i.e. chestnut, Pontiac matchbox car)

### **Action Items, TBDs and Next Steps**

Mike Ratigan to schedule October Training for WW Watch. Board will communicate information.  
Jen and Brad will front any questions that come in regarding Good Food Collective  
Street Captains want list of home on their streets who signed up for yard sale. Brad?  
Request for WW labeling on future literature drops - Board to comply after logo is completed  
Logo contest selection to be completed at May 14 Board Meeting  
Amy DeYaeger to follow up on Invigorate Irondequoit details