

You Did It!!!

Renovations can be hard to accomplish. We all have different ideas and suggestions about how to get things done. We did however, all agree that the Restaurant was worn, tired and outdated. The positive response to the completion of this phase of the Clubhouse renovation that you supported has been overwhelming.



A Walk in the Woods (Bill Bryson)

As you have suggested, the renovated pub is now being referred to as "The Woods." By referring to the new pub as "The Woods" we have made it easier for you to spend more quality time there. Now when you say with conviction, I am going out to spend some time in "The Woods," some of your friends or family may think that you are seeking to become "one with nature." If you tell friends that you are going for a walk in "The Woods," they might errantly assume that you are going for a hike. If you say that you are off to just sit back and relax in "The Woods," it might be reasonably assumed that you are in search of an inner peaceful serenity.

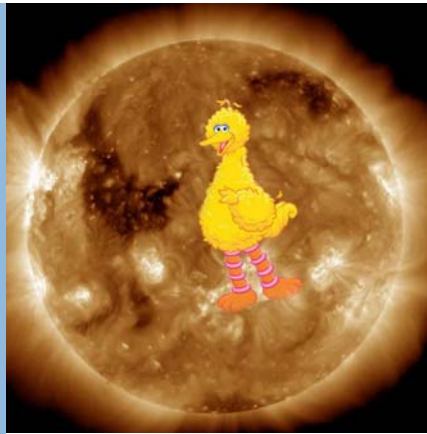


You and I know that isn't what you are seeking!!!

You will be meeting with your friends and neighbors to maybe share a drink and have a snack or have lunch or dinner. To demonstrate your affinity for "**The Woods**" we have hats and shirts with "**The Woods**" logo available in the Pro Shop. It's time to take a walk in "**The Woods**."

It Ain't Over Till it's Over (Yogi Berra)

You have proven that you can get things done working within fiscal responsibility, so you will continue next year to improve your community assets. As plans are developed, we will keep you updated with the progress. My buddy, Tony Blaine has once again volunteered to work with Joe Samolis and lead the effort with your Clubhouse renovations. You aren't done yet.



Sunny Days (Big Bird)

We have been talking about what we can do as a municipality to save money on energy expenses. Now we are moving ahead to do something about that spiraling cost. Sinan Baskin from our District Board has been working with Joe Samolis and various vendors to determine the cost savings and potential benefits of utilizing targeted solar energy on specific community lighting. We intend to experiment and evaluate on a controlled and limited basis the viability of this concept and we will be reporting on our progress to you.

Signs, Signs Everywhere a Sign (Five Man Electrical Band)

John Bergman, Donna Wellins and Bill Crofton worked together and created terrific signage that has been installed at the Lovely St gate. The signage has already proven to be effective in mitigating the traffic backup by clearly directing people attempting to enter without proper credentials to the front gate.

Magic Salt (The Who, kind of a stretch)

You may have noticed the enhanced effort this year of assuring that our roadways and sidewalks are safe for your passage. We are utilizing new "Magic Salt". This "Magic Salt" works effectively in a broader range of temperatures and is very effective in pre-treating surfaces. Magic Salt is also more environmentally friendly and under Joe Samolis's expertise we are now purchasing this product at a much more favorable per ton price.

Pave Paradise (Joni Mitchell)

As we have previously promised and discussed we will be paving Conifer and Madison Lanes this spring. In the Spring of 2026 we will be paving Applewood Lane. Through the efforts of Joe Samolis and an aggressive bidding process we achieved substantial savings on the scheduled work. As with all municipalities, paving is and will continue to be an ongoing yearly process. Our recent progress on the ring roads is substantial and we are now addressing some of your interior roadway network.

Be the Ball (Ty Webb)

The Golf Members have Teed it Up!! They came forward and volunteered to contribute beyond their annual dues and support of **The Woods**, to help get the antiquated and failing irrigation system replaced. They have put some additional "skin in the game". Based on 300 members they will be contributing approximately an additional \$150,000.00 over the next two years that will be specifically directed to the new irrigation system. With the infusion of those funds, and with accumulated funds from the District and MA co-operative efforts and combined with the occurrence of a maturing loan, the project will be ready to move forward next year.



How Does Your Garden Grow?? (Mary Contrary)

If you are not a member of the Community Garden, your answer to this question must be NOT AT ALL. You can change that now. John Sahm is the

Grand Puba of the community garden. I am not sure if that is his official title, but people call him a lot of things. Anyway, they have a few plots available. It really is a great group of people. They have several get-togethers during the year culminating with a great dinner event. They are always willing to help you by sharing their ideas and working together as a very positive group. Contact Pat Figliola (203) 530-3528 or pmfigliola@gmail.com if you do decide to join, you are welcome to help me with the weeding and watering my little plot!!

See Ya Real Soon (Mickey Mouse)

The next District Board meeting will be February 24th at 4:30, the MA meeting follows at 6:00 p.m. You can always access our zoom meetings by going to Member Central on the FW website. Go to the calendar and just click the link and you are on. You are always welcome and encouraged to join in and share your thoughts and opinions during the three-minute Opening and Closing of our meetings. We will never interrupt you or cut you off. We are very good listeners.



Irene Loretto

Irene passed recently and she will be missed by her friends and family here in Farmington Woods. Irene was an inspirational leader. She was the Past President of the Women's Club, The MA Board and the District Board. Irene exemplified what volunteerism is about.

View Every Sunrise with Positive Anticipation

Treasure Every Sunset with Joyful Memories

Billy V



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