



Birnamwood Winds

For all of those who reside in Birnamwood

President's Report: Bernie Feldman

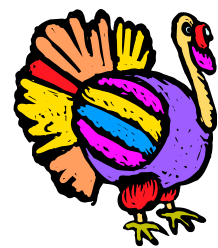
The Annual Meeting of Birnamwood Owners, with a quorum of 119 Owners, was held on Wednesday November 2, 2011. Three Directors were elected to the Board for 3-year terms. The new Directors are: Kevin Dickstedt, Bill Schoesow, and Gregory Stutzman. The proposed Operating Budget for 2012 of \$320,806.00 was approved. The Monthly dues of \$150.00 will remain the same for 2012. Following the election of new Directors, the Governing Document require that the new Board of Directors must convene within 10 days. The Board did meet on November 9, 2011.

The primary focus of the meeting was to elect the Officers, assign the Director Liaison Positions, and establish the meeting schedule for the coming year. The following Officers were elected:

President, Bernadine Feldman, Vice President, Tom Logan, Secretary, Tom Daly and Treasurer, David Jones. The Liaison assignments consist of the following: Architecture Liaison Kurt Hinrichsen, Facilities Liaison Kevin Dickstedt, Grounds Liaison Bill Schoesow, Homes Liaison Gregory Stutzman, and Social/ Recreation Joe Carlisano. The meeting schedule of the Board will be the Third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM at the Burnsville City Center. The Board did decide to suspend the January and February 2012 meetings. Because of the December Holidays the Board will meet one week early, on December 14, 2011.

Information regarding the Birnamwood Insurance program for next year will be distributed to you in the next week or so. Be sure to retain the letter in a safe

place, one that you will remember when you need it. The information will include the premium assignment for each unit model and the person to contact for questions regarding our insurance program. A reminder that we are doing the premium assessment of Home Owners a bit different this year, in that you will not be assessed for the insurance premium until January, 2012. The insurance assessment will be due with your February dues payment. The insurance assessment for 2012 does reflect an increase over last year, one reason being the many claims that were submitted during the winter of last year. More detailed information will be included in the letter you will be receiving shortly, so look for it in your mailbox. It is the hope of the Board that moving the insurance assessment to after the Holidays will avoid competing for funds with Holi-



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day expenditures.

Information regarding the change in the Birnamwood accounting service and what will be required of each Home Owner during the transition will be distributed after the Thanksgiving Holiday. We will no longer be using coupons, but rather monthly invoices will be sent to each Home Owner, like in the old days with F&N Management. For now just keep doing what you have been doing, and look for the information letter after the Holiday. This brings up a key issue; to

Treasurer Report: David Jones

Financial Account Details October 31, 2011

Balances	31-Aug-11	30-Sep-11	31-Oct-11	+/-
Checking Wells Fargo	\$65,796	\$9,778	\$9,780	2
Checking Kline	\$7,747	\$9,125	\$14,476	5,351
Savings Wells Fargo	\$107,046	\$137,567	\$137,627	60
Savings CIF	\$49,263	\$49,263	\$49,269	6
Reserve Replacement	\$528,330	\$535,735	\$543,813	8,078
Total	\$758,182	\$741,468	\$754,965	13,497



Delinquent Accounts as of October 31, 2011

Date	Total Del	Bal Forward	Current Mo	Payment	Past Due	Late fee	Total Due
Jun-11	23	\$15,691	\$6,029	\$3,383	\$18,337	\$550	\$18,337
Jul-11	27	\$17,762	\$4,944	\$2,784	\$19,922	\$625	\$19,922
Aug-11	24	\$19,105	\$4,248	\$2,412	\$20,942	\$575	\$20,942
Sep-11	26	\$17,918	\$5,909	\$3,279	\$20,548	\$625	\$20,548
Oct-11	21	\$17,667	\$4,713	\$2,661	\$19,719	\$500	\$19,719
2 Mo Delta	5	\$251	\$1,196	\$618	\$829	\$125	\$829



The Welcome committee welcomed Justin Hambo #27 Welcome to Birnamwood Justin!!

President's Report Continued

ensure you receive these important letters in a timely manner, please be sure the Association has your current address. If you are using an address other than your Birnamwood unit number, please let us know immediately.

A reminder about your address, phone number and e-mail address (if you wish to share). We are in the process of updating the Birnamwood Resident List, many of you did review your list entry at the Annual meeting, for those who did not attend the meeting, if you have made changes with your phone service please let me know. A note in the mailbox at #193 or call me and leave a voice message. I intend to prepare the updated list and will distribute shortly after the Thanksgiving

Holiday. This should give you time to inform us of your changes, but also give your President some time to R&R after the past weeks of work with the Association business.

The past weeks have brought new Owners to Birnamwood. Units #27, #29, #66, and #207 have been sold and new Residents have moved in or are in the process of moving. The current units for sale are #25 and #179. Look for your new neighbors and offer them a welcome to Birnamwood.

We really have been fortunate weather wise this Fall, I assume

most of you have been able to get the decks packed away for winter and SHUT OFF that outside faucet. Look for additional winter related information elsewhere in the WINDS.

Finally, mark your calendar for the Birnamwood Holiday Social on December 11, 2011. A flyer will be distributed to your mailbox with all the details.

May you and yours all have a waistband-popping Thanksgiving, with a bit of time reminding ourselves of all the many blessings we

are able to enjoy each day, unlike so many other people in this world.



Burning down your home would be a really big bummer and burning down your neighbor's house too, even more so. So please do not use charcoal grills on your wooden deck. The Burnsville City Ordinance does not allow charcoal grills or fire pits on wooden decks. If you have a charcoal grill, please use it only on your driveway. Thank you!

Social Committee: Joe Carlisano

Social Committee: The Social Committee is always looking for volunteers who would like to be permanent members as well as those who would like to volunteer just for special events. If you have an interest in joining

the committee please contact:

j.carlisano@q.com.

The next social committee meeting is the last week of January 2012.

I am looking for the person who submitted a list of 8 suggestions to Bernie Feldman. The items cover social, grounds, homes maintenance & facil-

ities. These items need discussion and I don't know who to contact. Please come forward we won't bite....

The BHA Holiday committee of Marlene and Gary Streich, Bev and Joe Carlisano, Mary Mertz, Mary Mitchell and Ann Fassbender will meet on December 5, 2012 to finalize the Holiday party.

For Sale

48" Oak Pedestal Table \$100 Call Jane @ 952.894.8522

www.burnsville.ourcommonplace.com

I recently discovered the city of Burnsville is launching a new community—building utility. The Burnsville CommonPlace is like an online bulletin board for your neighborhood. It's designed to make it easy for you to share events, needs and announcements with your neighbors, and to help keep up with what's happening in Burnsville. Sign up and you can start using the commonplace to notify your neighbors about things like a lost cat, ask to borrow a ladder or connect with like-minded people. Questions? Contact Nick Nevins: Nick@commonplaceUSA.com

Spotlight: Jane Nielsen



I have seen Jane around Birnamwood and thought she would be a good candidate for the spotlight. During a visit to Valley Natural Foods, I noticed Jane's business card on their bulletin board. I knew then that I should definitely contact her!

AF: It's so good to meet you. How long have you lived in Birnamwood?

JN: I've lived in Birnamwood 25 years. I have wonderful memories raising my daughter here as a single mom. We always felt safe, and my neighbors were so supportive. Sara is now married to a wonderful man and has two sons of her own. I love spending time with her family and watching my grandsons grow.

AF: Have you always lived in Minnesota?

JN: I'm originally from Washington D.C. I've lived in Madison, WI, Mankato and Rochester, MN. My nursing career started at John Hopkins in Baltimore. I worked in oncology, behavioral medicine, and pain management before retiring from traditional health care.

AF: I have seen you numerous times do-

ing work around the plantings at the entrance. Do you volunteer in Birnamwood?

JN: Yes I am a volunteer on the Grounds Committee. I enjoy being involved and the sense of community it gives me. I played a large role in the planting and maintaining of the front garden at the entrance of Birnamwood. Nurturing the geraniums this summer was my pride and joy!

AF: Thank you for doing that. The salmon-colored geraniums looked fantastic!

AF: What other activities do you like to do in your spare time?

JN: I love travelling to see my family, including my 90-year-old mother in Illinois. I am a freelance writer. I have written articles for the University of MN School of Nursing Alumni Magazine, and Rochester Magazine. I started the Health & Healing Ministry at my church, and was head of a cancer survivor group. I love being out in nature... the fresh air and sunshine, nurturing plants, nurturing people and helping people heal themselves.

AF: Are you still involved in health care?

JN: Yes, I provide Healing Touch, which is a complimentary therapy endorsed by the American Holistic Nurses Association. Healing Touch can help people with stress management, relief of pain and anxiety, support cancer care, enhance recovery from surgery and so much more. It's used in hospitals, long term care, hospices and spas. It's safe for all ages and works in harmony with standard medical care. I now have my own practice. The results I see continue to amaze me. I love helping people in this way and love what I do!

AF: If someone in our community is interested in learning more about healing touch and scheduling time with you how do they contact you?

JN: I have an office not far from here in Burnsville. My number is 952.210.8522

AF: I have experienced so many positive results from other complimentary therapies, I might call you. My stress could definitely use some managing!! From my time with you it's easy to see you are a compassionate caregiver and take pride in everything you do. Thank you Jane.



Association Monthly Fees - Due 1st of month. Send payments made out to Birnamwood Home Association to: Gassen Company, PO Box 466, Chaska MN 55318-0466 Include your acct number (300 followed by your unit #) Gassen Contact: Jodie Woodrow 952.253.4914

Architectural Stipulation - any change, alteration, addition or replacement made to a townhouse exterior must be recommended by the Architectural Committee and approved by the Board of Directors. All homeowners are required to comply with these requirements.

Applications for Exterior Changes - must be submitted no later than the 20th of the month to be acted upon by the Architectural Committee and placed on the Board's agenda for the next monthly meeting...

FHA & HUD ID# for Birnamwood - NDF1

Editors Notes: Your comments and suggestions are welcome. Email:

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If you would like to view the Winds online you will find the current and archived issues at birnamwoodhomes.org

 Search 'Birnamwood Homes'

Birnamwood Directory

<i>Officer</i>	<i>Office</i>	<i>Unit#</i>	<i>Home Phone</i>	<i>Email</i>
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Tom Daly	Secretary	134	952-994-4312	tommer2000@comcast.net
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Joe Carlisano	Recreation/Social	51	952-894-9194	j.carlisano@Q.com
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Bill Schoessow	Grounds	205	952-500-0595	cmswms205@yahoo.com
Gregory Stutzman	Home Maintenance	121	630-880-1420	grelen49@gmail.com
Tom Daly	Welcome	134	952-994-4312	tommer2000@comcast.net
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Dave Jones	Security	130	952-890-5539	dave.jones66@gmail.com
Dave Jones	Birnamwood Website	130	952-890-5539	dave.jones66@gmail.com
<i>Neighborhood Watch</i>	<i>Duty</i>	<i>Unit #</i>	<i>Home Phone</i>	<i>Units Covered</i>
Carol Moe	Block Captain	33	952-890-7954	Units 10 - 20
Gary Streich	Block Captain	28	952-890-9132	Units 21 - 59
Kevin Dickstedt	Block Captain	70	(c)612-280-5221	Units 60 - 94
Joyce Hermann	Block Captain	180	952-890-0877	Units 95-198
Barb Lager	Block Captain	215	952-882-8171	Units 199 - 216
Dave Jones	Block Captain	130	952-890-5539	Units 127-198, Tennis Courts, Pool/Paddle Court
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