



# WILLOWBROOK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER

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2022

The Willowbrook Community Association's purpose is to maintain and enforce building restrictions imposed upon the property within the subdivision in which members reside to aid in maintaining the character of the neighborhood to promote the social, educational and general welfare of all members to afford a means for collective action in community projects.

## WCA BOARD MEMBERS

CALL OR TEXT WITH ANY  
QUESTIONS/CONCERNS

PRESIDENT  
VICE PRESIDENT  
Both positions are open

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Roukaya Achour  
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Nusha Laleh  
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[willowbrookhomeowners@gmail.com](mailto:willowbrookhomeowners@gmail.com)

### 2022/2023 WCA DUES

A bright neon pink invoice  
arrived in mailboxes in early  
September.

Dues due by October 1, 2022.

Dues are \$15.00 per year.

Thanking you in advance!

Doesn't it seem like school just ended? Yet the buses are picking the children up and you can hear the students on the Village Oaks playground during recess. The days are shorter and soup seems like a reasonable dinner option.

The neighborhood has had a productive Summer though. We've worked on the community gardens. Cement pads have been put down and the benches may be installed by the time you read this letter. There were food trucks on Thursday night all summer long and the chance to meet neighbors was such a gift. Some of our members came to the board with ideas for children and those were a big hit. Just last week the community approved the association's updated constitution and things that were unclear for years are now clarified.

I'd like to take a moment to thank all the people that came together over the summer to make all those things happen; the community is nothing without its members.

I'd also like to take a moment to invite you neighbors that have ideas or ready hands to reach out to the board with them. The directors are more than happy to help coordinate or fund activities that benefit the community.

On a personal note, I am taking a break from the board again. This past term was my third time on it. I've found that taking a year off is energizing when I come back. It's been a great experience again though; our neighborhood doesn't have problems like lots of associations do. Being on the board is an opportunity to do good and I'll miss it.

I hope to see everyone at the cider & doughnuts on October 31st. I'll be the guy in the inflatable costume.

Until then . . . Aaron Klenke (Neighbor, Interim President and VP)


# Community Beautification Update

At the WCA Fall General Meeting, the status of the Beautification projects was presented. Most recently, the concrete slabs in Sub 2 were poured... and by the time you read this newsletter, there may even be benches on them!

Thank you to the Sub 3 households that submitted responses to our surveys. The results are outlined in the September General Meeting minutes. The responses were insightful. We especially appreciate those of you who volunteered to help! If you would like to shape the Sub 3 enhancements in 2023 and did not already provide your contact information on the survey, please reach out to any board member for details. We look forward to exploring options and making improvements with the help of WCA members!

In the Sub 3 survey, every single respondent strongly agreed that they would like to have more residents know about Novi's free tree planting program. **Attention all WCA Homeowners – if you would like to have a FREE large tree planted in the public right of way of your yard (the part of your property along the street) please contact Novi's Forestry Department for more details (248-735-5640 or [ksalowich@cityofnovi.org](mailto:ksalowich@cityofnovi.org)).** The Novi Forester will evaluate your property. If adding a tree is appropriate, he will recommend specific trees, coordinate getting that tree and then have it planted for you – all for FREE. That's hundreds of dollars in savings and a beautiful investment! They have limited supplies, so please contact Novi Forestry ASAP to reserve your tree for the fall or spring planting.

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**Willowbrook Community Association's Beautification Event**  
**Saturday, October 1st, 9am-1pm**  
**Rain Date: Sunday, October 2nd, 9am-1pm**

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5 trees and hundreds of native perennials later, we have completed our Sub 1 and Sub 2 garden installations! The future of these plants is shaped by how well we maintain the gardens for the next two years. We need the weeds out to allow the desired flowers and sedges to grow in densely.

Please join us as we work together to clean up our community gardens and islands. Weeding is more fun with good company and tasty snacks! This also is a nice opportunity for parents to teach their children about the importance of community service. If you are not physically able to volunteer, we encourage you to visit and learn more about our efforts. We look forward to seeing familiar faces and hope to meet more friendly neighbors.

Meeting Spots on the Day of the Event:  
9am – Malott Island (Sub 2)  
11am – Willow Ct Island (Sub 1)

Snacks and drinks will be provided. If you will be volunteering, please come in gardening attire and bring any favorite weeding tools. Hope to see you there!

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The September General Meeting was held on Thursday, September 8. A lot was covered and accomplished. We voted on Constitution changes, we had two new residents join the WCA Board. **Welcome to our new Directors -- Nusha Laleh and Patricia Winston.** Unfortunately, no one stepped up yet to take on the positions of President and Vice President. Until such time, as these positions are filled, we will just be a different working board. If you have any concerns/questions please send an email to [willowbrookhomeowners@gmail.com](mailto:willowbrookhomeowners@gmail.com). A member of the board will respond. Sub 3 survey results and an extensive beautification committee update, presented at the general meeting, can be found in the meeting minutes on our website <https://willowbrook.gogladly.com/> and on the city of Novi website under Homeowners Associations. Next General Meeting scheduled for Thursday, February 9, 2023.

Thank You



Thank you to Aaron Klenke for serving the board as Interim President since February 2022 and as Vice President for the past two years. Aaron, your time and efforts are appreciated more than you know.

Thank you to Roukaya Achour for bringing the food truck idea to the board and then organizing the food trucks that so many residents enjoyed throughout the summer. Due to popular demand -- the food trucks will be back next summer.

Thank you to Monika Priya for her time and efforts in beautifying the islands throughout our subs. Monika is continuing on the Beautification Committee, but this time as a member instead of the chair of the committee. We are looking for someone to take over that role. Take a minute to read the minutes from our recent General Meeting and see everything Monika and the Beautification Committee have done.

Thank you to Rob Camilletti and Melissa Gallagher for organizing the Second Annual Tot Tunes. A fun morning was had by all the littles.

Thank you to Roukaya Achour and Michelle Sankovic for organizing the Popcorn and Popsicles event in late August.

Thank you to the many residents that maintained our islands this summer by either weeding or watering them.

Thank You to all the residents who cut the nine islands, within our subs, during the lawn cutting season.

We appreciate everyone's efforts and time!

We are looking for some help to plan fun neighborhood events! Please call or email Roukaya if you are interested (number and email on first page). Have any ideas for WCA activities please share with us.



**Willowbrook Community Association**

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**Our Most Popular  
Event is back  
again!**

Cider and Donuts  
Monday,  
October 31, 2002  
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.  
Island at E. LeBost  
and Malott



**WCA Board Members 2022/2023**

President - Position Open  
Vice President - Position Open  
Treasurer - Melissa Gallagher  
Secretary - Michelle Sankovic

Directors: Roukaya Achour  
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