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The purpose of this Newsletter is to provide specialized information regarding Stone Wood Hills. The Newsletter is also available on the Association website.

Please send comments, suggestions and/or concerns for the Newsletter to newsletter@stonewoodhills.net. Your input and suggestions are ALWAYS welcome! Be sure to let us know if you've missed an issue of the Newsletter. This is the 4th one for 2012.

Officer & Committee e-mail addresses are available on our website under the "Contact Us" tab.

<u>COVENANTS</u> are in place to help ensure property value is maintained for all homeowners and our neighborhood continues to be a premier place to live. Please Note that Architectural Committee approval is required **PRIOR** to start of any construction. In addition, all buildings erected within the city limits must be permitted by the City of Broken Arrow.

Please do not put trash, newspapers or other debris, including any chemicals (oil, transmission fluid, fertilizers, etc.) into the Ponds (or the public drainage system, as these items adversely affect our water supply).

July Monthly HOA Meeting Thursday, July 12 6:30 – 7:45 p.m. B.A. Library, 300 W. Broadway Ave.

Meetings are strategy sessions designed to address new and ongoing issues, and plan for impending issues such as an aging infrastructure (fences, etc.). All residents are encouraged to attend.

FIREWORKS PERMITS

Fireworks permits (valid during the hours of 3:00-11:00 p.m. on July 3-4 <u>only</u>) are available for purchase BY AN ADULT at a cost of \$20@, through July 3rd, on the website at <u>www.brokenarrowok.gov</u> or at City Hall.

According to the B.A. Municipal Code:

This same adult must be physically present for any household member to use the fireworks within 60 feet of the front door of the permitted residence.

The possession of any fireworks by any individual under the age of 12 is unlawful unless under the immediate and direct supervision of a parent, guardian, or other responsible adult in possession of a current permit.

Violations shall be punished by a fine of \$225 plus costs. Use of fireworks between 11:00 p.m.- 7:00 a.m. shall be punished upon conviction by a fine that is double the fine normally imposed.

In case of a Red Flag Alert or Burn Ban, the use of fireworks may be declared illegal.

*** ANNUAL DUES BILLINGS ***

Watch for Dues invoices the end of July, with payment due August 31, 2012. Prompt payment is encouraged so your HOA can conduct business as necessary.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- All costs to repair damage to neighborhood common fences, as a result of trees located on the property of a Homeowner, are the responsibility of that Homeowner. You may be asked to remove a tree that is causing damage to a common fence.
- The primary purpose of our Ponds is for drainage. There is absolutely no Fishing or Swimming allowed. This is for YOUR safety and that of your children! Please make certain your children are aware of the dangers of fishing and/or swimming in the Pond. Adults, please set a good example and refrain from fishing in the Pond.

ALERT NEIGHBORS GUIDE

According to Lisa Ford, City of B.A. Crime Prevention Specialist, SWH has a very low crime rate. Unfortunately, break-ins increase during the summer. Some general tips to prevent break-ins:

- -- Audible alarms are better than silent ones. If your alarm is monitored, you must obtain a permit and renew it annually. See www.brokenarrowok.gov for more info.
- --Turn a radio/TV on in your house if you will be away. Make sure it's loud enough to be heard from the porch.
- -- If you are at home, but do not want to answer the door, rattle pots/pans or turn up TV or radio so people will know someone is at home.
- -- Make sure your doors/windows are clearly visible.
- -- Don't leave valuables in vehicles parked outside.

HELPFUL NUMBERS:

Police Emergency: 911

Police Non-emergency: 918-259-8400

Fire Department: 918-259-8360

City Hall: 918-251-5311
Action Center: 918-258-3587
(To report activity in violation of City Ordinance)

Power Outage (including street light out) call PSO @ 888-216-3523

Proposed B.A. Refuse Plan

According to the City Attorney's Office, action on the proposed City Refuse Collection Plan has been tabled "until sometime after January, 2013".

BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR:

Listen for your dog's barking when you are at home, and make certain your dog is inside when you are away from home. To report a barking dog, call the Animal Shelter at 918-259-8311 during business hours. It is helpful to keep a log with the dates/ times the dog has been barking to provide to the Animal Control Officer. After hours, call BA Police Communications Center at 918-451-8200.

According to B.A. City Code, pets must be "securely leashed" when off your premises. **And, p**lease pick up after your dogs!