

March 1, 2010

**Sterling Woods II – Master Association  
Monthly Newsletter  
Website: [www.sterlingwoods2.org](http://www.sterlingwoods2.org)**

Dear Association Members:

Recently, a couple of US Fire Administration - FEMA articles about fire prevention came across my desk which we in turn shared with all of our residential board members. One dealt with clothing dryer fires and the other was entitled "Older Adults and Preparedness for Fire". Coincidentally, we experienced a very serious fire here at Sterling Woods II this past fall so our attention is heightened in this regard. Having reviewed these articles with your board, it was agreed some helpful information should be passed along.

If you go to the internet and search on "US Fire Administration" you will be led to a web page that has information on various topics related to fire safety. Then from the menu choices at the top of the screen, select "Prevention Campaigns". We strongly recommend that you consult this website to see if there is more you could do to prevent a fire and to protect yourself should you find yourself involved in one.

We do not have definitive word just yet, but preliminary information is the fire we experienced at Sterling Woods last Fall was caused by a small electrical appliance located in the basement. We will keep you posted once we know for sure.

**Some routine reminders...**

For 2010, trash pick ups will be delayed by one day on Washington's Birthday; Monday, May 31, 2010, Memorial Day; Monday, July 5, 2010, Independence Day; Monday, September 6, 2010, Labor Day; and Monday, October 11, 2010, Columbus Day.

**All pickups will be delayed one day following the holiday for that week.**

Please note - garbage pails must have lids on them when placed out for disposal on pick up days. Make sure your pail is properly covered and we suggest you take measures to prevent them from blowing away on windy days.

See the association website for association meeting minutes and information about the various social clubs that are available to all residents here at Sterling Woods – Computer, Bridge, Book, Knitting and Poker.

The next Master Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 7:30 PM. The Open Session will begin immediately following the Executive Session which begins at 7:00 PM and ends at 7:30 PM. Let us know, one week in advance, if you would like to be placed on the agenda and the subject matter that you would like to cover.

If Kim or I can assist you in any way, please let us know. Kim's hours are now approximately 7:45 AM until 2:45 PM. Her email address is kmurray@reipropertymanagement.net and the on site phone number is (203) 748-0859.

Sincerely,

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