



# Waterwood Neighborhood News



## 4th of July Celebration Great

Over 400 Waterwoodians, their families and friends attended the first annual Waterwood old fashion 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration. People started to arrive between 5 and 6:00 PM. The line for food stretched over 100 feet at times.

The Bar-B-Q fund raiser by the Waterwood Volunteer Fire Department (WWVFD) was a huge success. The BBQ Plate consisted of brisket, sausage, beans, potato salad, pickles, onions and a soft drink. There were BBQ sandwiches and hot dogs also.

Joe Meyers, Captain, of the WWVFD, estimated "340 people were served. It looks like the WWVFD make a profit of \$3200.00."

There were three contests held, Best Boat Decoration, Best Boat Decoration, Best Cart Decoration and Best 4th Costumes.

First Place in the Boat Decoration went to Barbee and Walt Ringler. 2nd Place went to the Palmer Family and 3rd Place went to Carol and Earl McVay.

Best Costume 1st Place went to the Willborn grandchildren and friend. 2nd Place went to Diane LaBlum and 3rd Place was Riley Curran.

The big white tent and fan were blessings. This made the old July heat more bearable.

Free face painting by Wanda Gardner was enjoyed by all. She painted for 3 and 1/2 hours.

The firewords, handled by Donnie Marshall, were tremendous and lasted over 20 minutes. Many "wows" could be heard throughout the crowd.

The celebration ended as the WWVFD was being called out to aid with a house fire on 190.



**4th Chairman Pat Willborn shows trophies**

More 4th Photos on Pages 5, 6 & 7

# Welcome to WNN

How about that 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration, wasn't it great? Approximately 400 Waterwoodians, their family and guests turned out to celebrate our Country's 232<sup>rd</sup> Birthday.

The food was great! The music was loud! The enthusiasm was overwhelming. Many thanks go out to Pat Willborn and her committee, especially to the event chairman, Donnie Marshall. Great JOB you all.

Folks, we asked you all to help us in making our trash dump area cleaner. Well, guess what? You guessed it, the area after the 4<sup>th</sup> was a disaster. Surely all of the furniture, door jams and other "non-trash" items were not put there by Waterwoodians. If you see someone dumping furniture and large items call security at **661-2800**. If you see a auto or truck without a sticker get their license number and call the WIA office, **891-7710**.

Speaking of auto/truck stickers, does your vehicle have one? The sticker system sure aids our security force in identifying who should be in our neighborhood. It is easy to get one. Go by or call our WIA office and they will help you get one. Thanks for your support in this matter.

If you are a property owner and want to run for the WIA Board, you must sign up with the WIA office prior to August 1, 2008. If you want to get active in your community, being on the Board is a great service to your neighbors. Rather than complain about things happening in our neighborhood, now is the time for you to take the next step and run for the Board and make things happen.. Good Luck!!

At press time there is still no new information about the moving of the Waterwood signs. We are advised that they are in "negotiations" about this situation. We will keep you posted. Also, the latest info about the Club is no info. We were advised that "discussions are still continuing.

We want to buy it and the seller wants to sell it. Sooner or later it may happen."

BEWARE of those door to door service people who sometimes tour our neighborhood on weekends. Ask them for proof of insurance, this usually gets rid of them. If you have any problems with them call Security.

THE WNN IS PUBLISHED ON A MONTHLY BASIS. THE ARTICLES AND COMMENTS ARE WRITTEN TO INFORM AND ENTERTAIN THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN THE WATERWOOD COMMUNITY. IF YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT US AT: [wnn@waterwoodwia.com](mailto:wnn@waterwoodwia.com).

THANK YOUR FOR READING THE WNN.

John Shideler – Editor

## WIA BOARD MEETING 6/16/08

President Jack Zimmermann called the meeting to order at 9:00AM. All of the Directors were present. There were 12 visitors also present for the meeting.

Executive Director, Joe Moore, reported that NRPI has paid the first three of their nine monthly installments for the WIA fees on properties that they own.

The ACB Chairman reported that the Committee sent out six first violation notices, and the six violations were corrected.

A new maintenance contract between WIA and Julius Currie was approved for one year by the Board.

At 11:00AM, the Board entered into an executive session to discuss legal issues concerning the removal of the WIA signs and flag poles. The Board reconvened at 12:11PM. President Zimmermann advised that a committee was appointed to continue negotiations.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:13PM

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## **Bo Hayman Gets Award**

Bo Hayman received his "10 Year" service pin at the 4th of July Celebration. Bo started his service with Waterwood Security in June of 1998.

Bo works the night shift. He starts his shift at 8PM and gets off at 6AM the next morning. He works four days on and then has four days off.

He is one of the men who guard our property in the wee small hours of the morning. We never see him, but he is always there for us.

Thank you Bo for your long and dedicated service to all Waterwoodians. We are a lot safer at nights because of you being there.



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## Bumper Stickers

(we can laugh at ourselves)

The secret of staying young is to live honestly,  
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I'm in the *initial* stages of my golden years:

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I must be getting older, all of the names in my  
address book end with **M.D.**

I'm not old; I'm Chronologically Gifted.

I'm so old that whenever I eat out, they ask me for  
money up front.

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## Best Decorated Boats

1st, 2nd & 3rd Place Winners



## Best Costume Winners

1st, 2nd & 3rd Place Winners



# COMPUTER CORNER

By: John Charlton

OK, you know I like free, however, you have to spend some money sometime. I also said I would talk about file backup this time

On the free side there are a number of programs out there. Syncbackup.exe and EZbackup.exe are two I have used. They will backup you individual folders to another partition on your hard drive, a flash drive, a web address, or another hard drive. I really don't recommend you backup your folders to another partition on your hard drive. It is still the same hard drive and if something happens to the drive you may lose all your data. Flash drives are good, but keep in mind there is a limited number of times you can write to them. The number I have heard is 10,000. For most of us that would be enough, however, with Sally's scrap booking pictures, I take no chances!

The best solution, I believe, is another hard drive. I recently purchased a Maxtor 4 Mini. It is a 120 gig, USB, hard drive. You plug the drive into your laptop or desktop USB port and it is ready to go. No additional cords required. It does however have two USB plugs. The reason is USB provides both power and data through one plug. Some laptops do not provide enough power, so drive manufacturer provide a second power cord. If you have two free USB ports use both.

To my surprise the Mini came with a CD and a program that not only allow me to perform a scheduled backup of files, say 10:00 pm each day, but it also allows the complete backup and restore of the hard drive. The type of thing I was talking about last time. I have seen the Mini on sale at Fry's, Office Max and Best Buy for a little as \$59.99 for 120 gigs. Larger ones are available, however, for most of us 120 is big enough. Now this may seem a little steep, but if your hard drive fails with all your digital pictures of the little ones, pets, family ..... (you fill in the blank) you will be real glad you have it. I found the software easy to install and easy to use.

## More 4th of July Photos



HERE COMES THE CARTS



HI MOM!



WHERE'S THE FOOD?

# Neighborhood Pets



## Bandit

Hi! I'm Bandit! I'm a 15-month-old Border Collie. I live on Doral. You may have seen me walking my owners, John and Sally, around the neighborhood and along the cart path.

If you've driven by in a car, you might even have noticed how I politely sit and let you pass. That is because I'm training my "peeps" to be safe.

My other trick is to run up the steep driveway in the morning to get the paper. Sally thinks I'm doing her a favor, but I just love to run!

I also love to chase balls, Frisbees, and squirrels; but my all-time favorite activity is swimming in the lake! Waterwood is a **great** place to live!



TO ENTER YOUR PET, PLEASE EMAIL US A PHOTO AND A SMALL ARTICLE ABOUT YOU PET AT: [wnn@waterwoodwia.com](mailto:wnn@waterwoodwia.com)

# More 4th Photos



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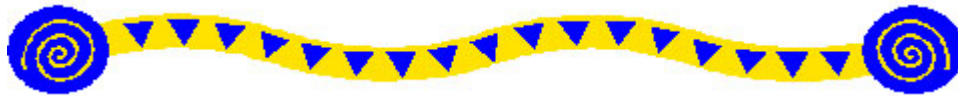


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