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### **West Tree Line: (West end of Aster Avenue & Lupine Ci.)**

The west tree line has become a focus of attention, not only for its aesthetic value to the community, but also for its noise abatement characteristics. It appears that Stracks has increased their cooling capacity since taking over from Wise Way. The noise from the refrigeration units has increased and is somewhat bothersome at various times of the day. Over the past several years we have lost several trees from the tree line and recognize the importance of maintaining and replacing these trees.

A representative of Purdue's North Central Campus Agricultural Department visited and made suggestions to help us maintain the trees. Soil tests were taken and the results indicate we should have no problem growing a variety of fir trees in this soil.

Attendance at last Tuesdays Board of Zoning Appeals meeting proved useful as they are currently taking decibel readings at various times of the day at our west property line. If the readings exceed the allowable limit the city will take the issue further.

### **Pruning and Weeding :**

The pruning and weeding phase of the spring grooming process is scheduled to begin this week. Bushes will be trimmed back and shaped, in particular the ones that are hiding the garage lights. All lights must be exposed to allow them to do the job they were intended to do.

Pruning and weeding is reserved for front and side yards only. Back yards are to be maintained by the homeowner. Anyone wishing to opt out of either one or both services will be expected to perform the work on their own or hire someone else. To opt out you must contact me by e-mail or by phone before the work begins.

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Since this is an even number year there will be no mulching until next year. Anyone who decides to mulch at their own expense is reminded that for the purpose of uniformity, **chocolate brown** is the only approved color.

Our goal (Board of Directors) is to satisfy the individual homeowner while remaining within the parameters of the budget and assuring the continuity of subdivision as a whole.

**Wildflower Lake:**

For those residents that are not aware, the severe winter weather took its toll on our lake. We experienced a total fish kill. This was due to the lake being frozen over for the better part of four months and the ice being covered with snow for the same period, preventing any solar penetration (lack of oxygen). This created an ecological problem that had to be dealt with. The lake was restocked last week. The restocking totaled 1600 fingerlings (2" to 3"). As a result the lake will be closed to fishing for at least the rest of this year.

We have been told this was a common problem throughout the north central states and the fisheries are extremely busy restocking the affected lakes and ponds.

**Miscellaneous:**

The first of three fertilizer/weed control applications has been applied. The city has completed repairs to their snow plow damage and we still have some of our own to be addressed. The entrance plantings are beginning to flourish and as you can see we have deviated from the past several years of purple petunias. We will be interested in your comments on the change.

As a reminder, our annual garage sale event will take place on Friday July 18 and Saturday July 19 from 8 am to 4 pm. We hope for some good participation this year. For the benefit of our new residents' fireworks are not permitted in the subdivision.

**Wishing you all an enjoyable and safe 4th of July.**

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