

Dear Suburban News Editor,

I have been resident of Wyckoff since 1994 and I am pleased to see the activity begun by the Friends Of Wyckoff organization. We really are in a race against time to save our town. I am not going to present a long list of facts and figures here, you can get that from www.FriendsOfWyckoff.org I am however, a concerned resident who has seen irreplaceable old growth trees at the end of Charnwood, clear cut and plowed into a treeless cluster of huge homes. While the homes are beautiful, they would be far more attractive if there were some large trees or shade cover for them. If you travel on James Way, you will see corner house or "brick palace" that has become a true eyesore for that street. In an insult to anyone's intelligence, you can also see a sandwiched cluster of McMansions forced into Julie Court and the paving of Farview Avenue packaged with the misnomer of calling it "A Celebration of the American Farmhouse".

I understand the need for development and also realize that responsible development can raise the value of our current home, but I wonder whether or not the town zoning board is thinking these things through. In my opinion, I don't think so and therefore have come to support a tree ordinance for our town, the Save The Ravine project and an active open space preservation program.

I urge other Wyckoff residents including our new neighbors, to join these efforts and keep our town a special place. Thank you!!

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