

# the WOODSETTLE

## The Woods Community Newsletter

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### YOURRESOURCES

#### OFFICE HOURS

Monday .....	9:00–1:00
Tuesday .....	2:00–6:00
Wednesday.....	2:00–6:00
Thursday.....	2:00–6:00
Friday.....	9:00–1:00

#### IMPORTANT PHONES NUMBERS

Woods Office: .....	221-3722 or 221-3723
Woods FAX:.....	221-0833
Atlantic Gate:.....	221-3111
Hodges Gate:.....	221-2435
Pool/Lifeguards:.....	221-0646
Marsh Landing: .....	273-3033

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## From The Board

### Greetings from the Board of Directors

Delinquencies have elevated to an alarming amount. Residents now owe a total amount of over \$80,000.00 in dues. This amount, if not corrected, will have a profound effect on the way the Home Owners Association can operate. We have offered to work with home owners to set up payment plans and no one has taken advantage of this offer. The Board will have to take drastic measures to ensure we remain on solid financial grounds. We as a Board ask you to do your part and pay your dues.

The annual meeting to elect Board members and approve the operating budget is November 12th at 7:30pm. To date the office has received a total of 85 ballots. We ask if you do not plan on attending the meeting to please either drop off your proxy and ballot at the office or contact a Board member to pick up your proxy and ballot. We need over 205 votes or proxies in order to elect new board members. Please make sure your voice heard, turn in your vote.

If you are happy about the progress being made on both Hodges Blvd. and the Sandal Wood Canal please disregard this request. If you are upset

about the construction on both these projects, then contact our Council Person Richard Clark at RClark@coj.net and let him know. These two projects have had delays on top of delays and who knows when the end is in sight. We as a community of over 1700 registered voters need to let our representative know we are unhappy with delays and mess on Hodges Blvd. The Sandal Wood Canal project has been a nightmare and does not work. Let Mr. Clark know we hold him accountable for monies spent by the city on these projects.

Last but not least, please contact the gates when you expect guest. Please also have your guest contact you prior to their arrival so you can call the gate. These actions will ensure your guests are admitted in a timely manor.

### RESTAURANT REVIEW:

#### Big T's Grill & Tavern

Your family & friends will love this place! Located in the Hodges Point Center – this place is a real treat for all. Warm & friendly atmosphere with steaks, burgers & more. I have eaten there many times and the quality is high and consistent. It's also locally owned & operated!

—Millie Ferrell, Viburnum Drive

## W.O.W. NOVEMBER MEETING

CLUBHOUSE • NOVEMBER 17TH • 7PM • DUES: \$10

Our November meeting date has changed!! Please note the new date is November 17th!!!! We must accommodate Kuhn's busy holiday schedule so the meeting has been changed to Monday, Nov.17th!!! This is always a big event here in The Woods! New members are welcome of course.

# Garden Clippings

Well, the hurricane season is now officially over and it appears that most of the summer heat is behind us. It's a great time to plant your fall vegetables and get some of the beautiful mums that area stores have for sale. It's also the best time to plant your winter flowers such as snapdragons (two varieties) and petunias. Both are available in a wide array of colors. The plantings in front of the Atlantic guardhouse look nice – our lawn

service eliminated the grass and planted African iris – much nicer appearance now! Remember that with the cooler weather, you can cut down on your lawn watering – the most you will need is once a week through the beginning of spring. Any more than that and you are simply inviting lawn troubles!!! Also a good time to put down a pre-emergence weed killer for any dollar weed you might have.

## Hubbard House Baskets

Both guardhouses will now accept any donations for the Hubbard House baskets again this year. Remember, for most of these families, it's the first holiday they will have without the threat of violence in their lives. Let's all help the Women of The Woods to put together baskets for these

families who are on their own for the first time. We'll gladly accept monetary donations in lieu of food items. Please see the list in this issue of actual items needed. All donations must be collected **NO LATER THAN NOVEMBER 17TH!!!!**

- Gift card for turkey & bakery items
- Instant Mashed Potatoes
- Stuffing Mix
- Jar or Packet of Turkey Gravy Mix
- Dinner Rolls (off the shelf)
- Self-rising corn meal mix or Corn-bread mix
- Canned Cranberry Sauce
- Canned Sweet Potatoes or Yams

- Canned Corn
- Canned Green Beans
- Canned Cream of Mushroom Soup
- Durkee onion rings
- Poultry Seasoning
- White Sugar
- Instant Tea
- Aluminum Foil

- Turkey pan
- Long Storage Milk (evaporated or dry)
- Pasta

**Donations can be brought to the annual meeting on the 12th of November or to the November W.O.W. meeting on the 17th.**


## AT&T U-verse is Coming!

U-verse is AT&T's product that will compete with Comcast cable and dish services, offering high speed internet, over 300 premium and local TV channels, remote access for programming, and unlimited home phone service. I am convinced that you will find it superior in every way.

My name is Rick Mull and I have been a resident for of The Woods for over 29 years. I work for AT&T and want to make the following offer to you: we offer a "backdoor" service whereby you call me with your name & num-

ber and service you desire. I will have a service rep call you and arrange a time convenient for you. **NO OBLIGATION.** This eliminates the need for you to call into the system and deal with multiple options and hold time. You can reach me at the following numbers:

- Home: 221-5830
- Cell: 327-4425
- Office: 727-1516



## Plan An Outing Sat., Nov 15th!

The Grand Opening of the Jacksonville Arboretum will be held on Nov 15th from 10:00Am to 4:00PM. Live music, guided nature tours, special kids' activities and plant sale. Event is FREE and open to all! Location: 1445 Milcoe Road.

# Finance Committee Update

## OPERATING FUND

Our community stayed within the operating budget for the period January through September 2008 with a surplus of \$66,415.

## RESERVE FUND

The Reserve Fund September 30, 2008 balance of \$647,380 is 105 percent of the recommended balance for 2008 and 84 percent of the recommended balance for 2009.

Here is a summary of our community's finances through September 2008. We look forward to providing you future updates.

**Dave Czerw**  
Finance Committee Chairman

OPERATING FUND	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE
Revenues	841,716	835,497	6,219
Expenses	(775,301)	(842,892)	67,591
Surplus (Deficit)	66,415	(7,395)	73,810
<b>RESERVE FUND</b>			
Reserve Fund Balance - Sep 30, 2008.....			647,380
Recommended Balance for Dec 31, 2008.....			613,512
Surplus (Deficit).....			33,868
Reserve Fund - Percent Funded for 2008.....			105 %
Recommended Balance for Dec 31, 2009.....			769,700
Surplus (Deficit).....			(122,320)
Reserve Fund – Percent Funded for 2009.....			84 %

# Road Construction

## "To all Woods residents.

Some months back the city of Jacksonville, RCMG and Felix Construction started work on the canal going through our subdivision. At that time we were told that it would take about two months to complete the job. We are at this time quite a few months beyond that period and still the job is not complete nor near completion. It is time for all residents to contact our city representative and other individuals to express our displeasure with the amount of time it is taking to complete the canal refurbishment. Below are the email addresses of Councilman Richard Clark, Mr. David Hahn the senior engineer with the City of Jacksonville and Mr. Eugene Barber with River City Management Group. If you are not pleased with the way the project is heading we ask that you contact these people and express your concerns at the below email addresses: [rclark@coj.net](mailto:rclark@coj.net), [Hahn@coj.net](mailto:Hahn@coj.net), [eugene@rcmg-jv.com](mailto:eugene@rcmg-jv.com)



# Classified Ads

## **CLOSETS, PANTRIES & GARAGES**

Custom in-home design and installation for all types of closets. Free estimates and affordable pricing. We are licensed and insured. Woods discount, too! Call Scott at 502-8677.

## **RESPONSIBLE TEENAGER CAN HELP YOU!**

Hi- I'm Samantha and I love children and am very responsible. I live right here in The Woods. I am Red Cross certified. Happy to help you with babysitting, housesitting or even pet sitting. References available. Call Samantha at 220-8897.

## **BRATZ DOLLS FOR SALE**

Assorted Bratz dolls and accessories (camping set & car) for sale. Any funds raised will be given to the Humane Society. Please call Kim at 654-7540.

## **PLANTS FOR SALE**

\$1.00-\$15.00. Call 221-8061.

## **2009 ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS**

Available for \$20. Proceeds benefit local education and scholarships. Call 221-8061.

## **TREE WORK, PAVER AND CONCRETE INSTALLATION**

Tree work, paver installation for driveways, walkways, and patios. Concrete repair and replacement. Please call for estimates. Licensed and insured. Jim at 349-0850.

## **COLLEGE BOUND ODD JOBS SERVICES**

Honest, reliable, knowledgeable, self-starter, strong and hard working teen for yard work, clean up and weeding. Call Hiroki Dionne at 220-7349.

## **FOR RENT**

Bounce houses, jumpy jumps, large slides and obstacle courses. Sno-cone machine, popcorn machine, hot dog cooker, carnival games. Inflatable equipment for rent in The Woods for birthdays, parties, fundraiser carnivals, any event. Also a dunk tank! Best prices and availability, delivered and set up. Licensed and insured. Call Greg at 545-8112

## **MOMS CLUB OF JACKSONVILLE & THE BEACHES.**

We invite stay-at-home Moms to get out and join us for some fun! Weekly activities for Mom & kids, playgroups, even Mom's nights out. Visit our website @ [www.momsclubbeaches.com](http://www.momsclubbeaches.com) for more information

## **SPECIAL OFFERS FOR WOODS RESIDENTS**

25% off all dry cleaning AND laundry from now through the end of this year! FREE pick-up & delivery also!! Go green with your cleaning and SAVE with this special offer from Martinizing Cleaners in the Tijuana Flats center at Beaches & Hodges. Simply tell Joe & his staff that you live in the Woods.

## **CONCRETE AND FENCE**

Concrete coating for garage floors, driveways and pool decks. Expert crack repairs. Remove and replace concrete and pavers. All types of fence work. Free Estimates. Licensed and insured. Call Bill 742-2124

## **FOUR PAWS RETREAT**

Yes, your neighbors have gone to the dogs!! Conveniently located on St. John's Bluff Rd, this boarding facility has a special "Bed and Biscuit" approach. All Woods residents will receive a 20% discount with a stay of 2 nights or longer. Call for reservations — the holidays are fast approaching!!! 642-7075 — ask for Gail or Bill.

## **PROFESSIONAL PHOTOGRAPHER AFFORDABLE PRICES**

We specialize in sports, surfing and senior pictures. Go to [www.myspace.com/pierphotography](http://www.myspace.com/pierphotography) to view our albums. Call 904-885-0493 for more information — Amber Hoadley — Woods resident

## **MODERN CRAFTSMAN HOME REPAIR**

Licensed and references available. Call 207-3682. Woods resident.

## **FITNESS TRAINING**

Right here in The Woods. Every Monday & Weds. Night at 7:00PM. Customized workouts for every level. Golf & tennis conditioning, too. Call 904-745-0999 or go to [www.fitnesspursuits.com](http://www.fitnesspursuits.com). 50% discount for residents!!!

## **I CLEAN HOMES!!!**

Saturdays only. Have references available! Please contact CC at 327-9772. (Woods resident)

## **GATOR BOWL TICKETS FOR SALE!!!**

2009 Gator Bowl tickets for sale!. Only \$25 for \$50 tickets — must order by 11/17 for December pick-up. Call 221-7869 and leave message. (S. Marcum, Woods resident)

## **MODERN CRAFTSMAN HOME REPAIR**

Licensed and references available! Call 207-3682.

## **NEED A CARPOOL BUDDY!!**

Need someone to share the driving to St. Paul's school. Please call Lola Felos at 333-2066 so we can discuss possible carpooling of our kids.