

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

We know that it may be hard to believe but spring is just around the corner. As we emerge from one of the colder winters on record our lawns appear to be in bad shape. Believe it not, they will bounce back quickly. In light of that, we are asking all of our home owners to start thinking about the outside appearance of your yard and your home. The management company, along with a board member will be inspecting each section of the community with an eye towards letting the homeowner know what needs to be done to keep your property up to the community standards.



This inspection will include yards, shrubs, driveways and soiled or stained roofs. We ask that you take these notifications in the spirit they are, reminders as to things that need to be corrected. Remember that if you change the outside appearance of your home, you must submit a request to the ARC for approval. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact the management office. Thanks for your cooperation.

W.O.W. SPECIAL POST-VALENTINE'S DAY EVENING!

CLUBHOUSE • Monday, February 16th • 7:00PM

Join us for a very special evening after your Valentine's week-end!! We have a special dinner planned, along with some relaxing games as well. All members who bring a new friend receive a special price this evening! We'll also set the agenda for the balance of the year. Please, we need your input to ensure that we remain viable and vibrant for all our members!

Garden Clippings

RESIST THE URGE!

OK, so we had a rough January... couple days of hard freezes that just about killed off everything that was blooming. It's tempting to go outside and cut back all the damaged plants and shrubs BUT PLEASE

RESIST!!!! Pruning now will make it worse!!!! All our yards look the same – brown grass, and dead limbs. Save your time & energy for the middle of March when the danger of any more frost has passed.

The good news is that now you can spot the weeds in your yard – the weeds are the only green

blades! For color that won't die with a frost – look for snapdragons, pansies and petunias at any of the local garden centers.

And remember, don't cut back the dead limbs now!!! Wait until the middle of March to do your trimming.

Finance Committee Update

2008 YEAR IN REVIEW

The Finance Committee is pleased to report a year of significant progress in 2008. Our community stayed well within our operating budget in 2008, generating a \$67,387 surplus of operating funds. Our Reserve Fund ended the year with a balance of \$696,887. Per the numbers detailed in The Woods 2006 Reserve Study, our Reserve Fund was 113 percent funded at the end of 2008. We were 93 percent funded at the end of 2007. The operating surplus, along with our fully funded Reserve Fund, allowed for our community to see no increase in quarterly assessments in 2009!

We expect our largest expense in the future to be the repaving of roads. As asphalt is a petroleum based product, its price can fluctuate along with oil. We plan to periodically update our Reserve Study in an effort to obtain current projections on The Woods Reserve Fund requirements.

As we are in the midst of a banking crisis, our community began diversifying its bank deposits to several banks in 2008. We anticipate that we will continue this process. The goal is to secure as much FDIC protection of our deposits as is practical.

Finally, the prompt payment of quarterly assessments by the majority of residents is very much appreciated. We thank you for your important part in keeping our community's finances strong. Here is a table summary of 2008. We look forward to providing you future updates.

Dave Czerw
Finance Committee Chairman

OPERATING FUND	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VARIANCE
Revenues	1,118,861	1,112,696	6,165
Expenses	(1,051,474)	(1,112,696)	61,222
Surplus (Deficit)	67,387	0	67,387
RESERVE FUND			
Reserve Fund Balance			696,887
Reserve Study Recommended Balance for Dec 31, 2008			613,512
Surplus (Deficit)			83,375
Reserve Fund – Percent Funded 2008			113 %
Reserve Study Recommended Balance for Dec 31, 2009			769,700
Surplus (Deficit)			(72,813)
Reserve Fund - Percent Funded 2009			90 %

GARAGE SALE: COMING THIS SPRING!!

WHAT: SPRING GARAGE SALE

WHEN: APRIL 4TH • 8:00 AM — 1:00PM

It's time to start planning for the spring garage sale here in The Woods. This is always a big event. Once again, Bonnie Burna has been gracious to organize. Please get your reservation and \$5.00 fee into Bonnie no LATER THAN MARCH 28TH. Bonnie needs time to get the listings and maps in order.

LET'S SLOW DOWN!

While the sheriff's office has not been out in a while, that doesn't mean that they won't be back soon! It really is frightening to see cars that fly through our neighborhood. And we've noticed a lot of folks zipping right through stop signs. Slow down or you may soon be facing stiff fines from the JSO!!!



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, house-sitting 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 www.aardvarkamusement.com

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 for more information

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 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. 50% discount for residents!!!

I CLEAN HOMES!!!

Saturdays only. Have references available! Please contact CC at 327-9772.

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RELIABLE TEEN CAN HELP YOU!

Experienced, reliable, enthusiastic teenager to baby-sit (Red Cross certified); pet sit or even water plants. I'd love to meet and your kids! Call Christy at 221-5830.

CONSTRUCTION OF ALL TYPES:

Major renovations, additions or repairs. No job too big or too small. Competitive bids. 44 yrs' exp. Woods resident. Licensed & insured. Call Jerry Smith at 312-4911.

FOUND!!!

A camera was found on November 1st. If you lost a camera, please contact The Woods office at 221-3722 with a description.

WOODS RESIDENTS — PAINTER & CARPENTER

30+ years' experience. Misc. services: tree cutting, landscape, power wash, and repairs. Senior discount of 10%. Free estimates, too! Call Rich at 762-8474 for appointment. License & insured.

AFFORDABLE PRESSURE WASHING

Licensed & insured Call Mike at 716-3951

LOCAL PAINTER

Licensed & insured. Call Travis at 240-5995

PROFESSIONAL CARPENTRY & REMODELING

By John Suddarth. Call 509-7048

BUNK BED SET!

Heavy solid oak bunk bed set, complete with mattress & box springs, guard rail, and ladder. Excellent condition -- \$350.00 Call Diane Stephen @ 249-2307

PROFESSIONAL LOCATION PHOTOGRAPHER

Specializes in maternity, babies and family settings as well as small, intimate, casual weddings. Go to HYPERLINK "<http://www.djrowell.com>" www.djrowell.com or call Dee Rowell @ 662-5616. (Woods resident)