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The Woods Community Newsletter

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From the BOD

A message from your Board of Directors: As we look forward to the holidays and the start of a new year we would like to welcome two new members and one returning member to the Board of Directors (BOD). Cyndi Radetski a seven year resident and, Rich Burna an eight year resident and former BOD member have joined the management team. Allison Garcia has returned to the BOD, serving in her third term. We welcome them and look forward to working for the improvement of the community over the next year. Your BOD is working on a number of major items for the upcoming year. These included the installation of an external solid wall that will run from the Hodges entrance south to the Bentwater subdivision. There will be more information about this published in the very near future. We are also looking at remodeling the Hodges guard structure to improve the egress to the property by both residents and visitors. We are also working very closely with the City of Jacksonville to clean out the Sandalwood canal. There are a number of swale projects that will be started in the near future to improve drainage in the community. There will be some construction at the pool that will enhance your visits to the pool.

We have had several reports of aggressive animals attacking residents. Homeowners are reminded that they can be held both criminally and civilly responsible for their animals and they should comply with Duval County regulations with regards to their animals. JSO and animal control should be contacted immediately if you encounter these animals. We have reports of residents feeding wild animals. According to Florida Wildlife Commission (FWC) this is a violation of the law and very dangerous. There is currently a rabies alert from an infected raccoon just to the south and west of our subdivision. To contact JSO on their non-emergency number, call 630-0500. To contact Animal Control, call 630-CITY (2489).

As we do each month, we ask residents and guests to please observe the posted speed limit and stop signs within the community. Please wear some type of light or reflective clothing when walking during hours of darkness.

The community is in need of volunteers to staff our committees. If you can help out please either contact the office or a Board member. It doesn't take long and the rewards are great to help improve your neighborhood.

Last but not least, as promised, we are taking a very aggressive path to collecting past due Homeowner Association dues.

On behalf of your BOD please have a safe and happy holiday.

YOUR RESOURCES

OFFICE HOURS

Monday	9:00 TO 1:00
Tuesday	2:00 TO 6:00
Wednesday	2:00 TO 6:00
Thursday	2:00 TO 6:00
Friday	9:00 TO 1:00

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Woods Office:.....221-3722 or 221-3723

Woods FAX:.....221-0833

Atlantic Gate:221-3111

Hodges Gate:221-2435

Pool/Lifeguards221-0646

Marsh Landing Management273-3033

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RECREATION

Gated Community. Nature trails. Large lots with tree-lined streets. Those were the amenities that brought my husband and me here to The Woods in 1999. Now that we have three children, we appreciate the playground, soccer fields, tennis courts, and pool! I believe that *recreation-(n) Refreshment of body and mind; a pleasurable occupation or exercise-* is important for both children and adults. It's what brings families together within the community. That is why being the Recreation chair is so important to me. I want recreational activities not only for my children, but for the children and families of our community as well! Thanks to all of you who donated bags and bags of Easter candy, we were able to once again, hold our annual Easter Egg Hunt. Over 100 children hunted and found the nearly 1,000 eggs that were stuffed with goodies. In June, we kicked off summer vacation with a family pizza party at the pool. I hope you were all able to attend our 4th of July Family Picnic. Our neighborhood Publix managers spend the afternoon cooking hamburgers and hotdogs while neighbors help serve and make snow cones!! The children loved getting wet on the giant waterslide that sat out in front of the clubhouse. We finished out the year with a fall festival. The weather was perfect for bounce houses, slides, games, and arts and crafts. A special thanks to the neighbors who helped with all of these events. I couldn't do it without you!! If you are interested in serving on the Recreation Committee for 2011, please let me know!
Heather Park at bugaboopark@comcast.net



WOW

WOW! November was a busy month for the Women Of the Woods. The Annual Christmas Bazaar and Bake Sale was a huge success. A big thank-you goes out to all you shoppers! In November we collected enough food and gift certificates to fill 11 full Thanksgiving Baskets to present to Hubbard House. Hubbard House helps abused women and children with housing, clothing, food and much more. Throughout the year WOW also collects business attire for the women of HH to wear to job interviews. This Christmas we will be collecting food, clothing and presents for Hubbard House families. The presents (non-violent please) are for the mothers to choose and wrap and give to their children on Christmas morning and we would like the kids to be able to give their moms a little something also. Drop your donations at the Woods Office or either Gate or call Shannon at 220-3177 for pick up. The December meeting will be a "go out to dinner" meeting. The cost will be a "toy for Hubbard House" for members and for non-members the cost is \$10 (for dues) and a toy for HH. Come and join us, call Shannon 220-3177 for reservations. WOW wishes all of you a wonderful Holiday Season and a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Art, Movement and More

We have had so much fun singing, dancing, and creating all while learning about different themes! These Mommy and Me classes are like no other and they are offered right here in our neighborhood at our community clubhouse. This summer we learned about Mr. Sun and Life Under the Sea. In September, we learned about all the different kinds of apples and even baked mini apple pies! Fall was our theme for October. We collaged fall leaves, painted fall wreathes and pumpkin patches, we even carved a real pumpkin! You will not want to miss out on the fun in January when we will learn all about winter wonderlands! Register today!

Wednesdays, 9:30-10:30 Ages 18 mos-4 yrs.

Heather Park:910-2764 or bugaboopark@comcast.net



THANK YOU

A big THANK YOU to all of the generous residents and WOW who opened their hearts and pantries this year! We collected enough non-perishable food items for 11 gift baskets and bags of food for Hubbard House. The families at Hubbard House were thrilled. We also had over 100 lbs of miscellaneous food items not on the shopping list to fill their pantries. We realize that times are tough right now, but they are even tougher for abused and neglected families. These wonderful gifts of food gave everyone something to be thankful for this year. Don't forget, new toy donations for Hubbard House can be dropped off at the office until December 20th.

Thank you and Happy Holidays,
Sande Connolly WOW Chairperson

CLASSIFIEDS

POOL CLEANING

Very affordable & professional, plus a \$25 discount for Woods residents on your first month. Woods resident Mike Mehaffey will keep your pool sparkling clean year round. Check us out at www.LoveYourPoolCare.com. Or call us at 241-4002.

HOOK IT UP

Training and setup for all your personal or professional electronics needs. Professional Woods resident specializing in hooking up or setting up your home office and/or entertainment systems. Also offer administrative setup, such as computer/printer hookup, wireless networking, cell phones (iPhone, BlackBerry, smartphones), email-to-mobile setup, game systems and more!! Rates starting at \$30/hour!! Please call Andrea at 904-707-2342 or email me for more info at startitupbusiness@gmail.com.

HOLIDAY HELPER

4th year Woods College Student home from Dec 11th through Jan 2nd. Available to help where needed; child care including overnight and weekends, pet sitting, shopping, cooking, would love to help with your holiday activities; entertainment, decorating, taking the children shopping and wrapping gifts. Call Elizabeth Kreichelt at 859-7986 to reserve a date.

LAWN SERVICES

All lawn services available. Great service, quality work, and affordable. Woods resident. Give Gary a call at 887-9117.

COMPUTER REPAIR

Virus and Spyware removal *	...	\$39
Hard drive data recovery *	...	\$39
Computer cleanup *	...	\$29
Home network and wireless setup *	...	\$29
Hardware diagnostics *	...	\$29
Full Service (all of the above) *	...	\$89
Combo (more than one above) *	...	20% on addtl services

Free pick-up and drop-off service -- Call now 904-718-1305

(*) Prices at great discount for The Woods residents

NEEDED

Reader's Digest Select Edition Volume 3 – 2010. If you have this edition, please contact Bernice at 221-1292.

HIRE A HANDYMAN

We are building our business one satisfied customer at a time for over 13 years now. Big enough for all your needs - small enough to give quality work. Licensed and insured. Call 221-3453. Woods resident. We can help with all your Christmas and holiday decorations!

FOR SALE

Bang & Olufsen of Denmark, Beocenter 7000 circa 1970's. - This is a beautiful stereo system with rosewood stand and speakers, radio, and turntable. Will throw in a CD player. Museum of Modern Art has displayed this "work of art". Asking \$1600.

Armoire – Medium size, pale blue and white with mirror on door, drawer at bottom, and glass shelves on sides. Beachy and whimsical. Around \$1000 new. Asking \$350.

Plush Coca Cola Santas, circa 1950's. One with coke bottle \$35, one without coke bottle \$25.

Teak coffee table. Top has some rings from glasses. Asking \$15. Please call Sue Andrews at (904) 631-3029

HOLIDAY HELPER

Is anyone looking for a pet sitter, baby sitter or just someone to run errands for the holiday season?

I'm a recent college grad and Woods resident, with both baby sitting and pet sitting experience. Please call Susan Andrews at (904) 910-9090.

FREE BABYSITTING FOR MILITARY

Woods Resident, retired school teacher, willing to give you babysitting for a few hours if your husband or wife is deployed and you are managing children alone to say thank you for your sacrifice. Kindergarten, then third grade teacher for almost 30 years, fingerprints on file. No financial compensation expected. References available. Call Bev at 349 4759.