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The Woods Community Newsletter

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WELCOME 2014!

The Woods Road Update Project

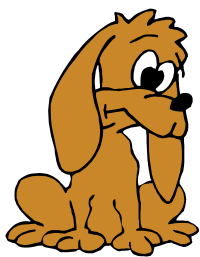
The road update project is underway once again. We anticipate that portions of the community's roads will be refurbished after the first of the year. Please call the office at 221-3722 or Jim Blache at 221-6710 to report any sections of the roads in the community that you feel should be repaired or considered for repair. Residents should look for bumps in the roads, large cracks, pot holes, and areas that have sunken.

Your assistance is greatly appreciated in helping to keep our community safe and up-to-date.

On a related note, there is also some storm drain work scheduled during the month of January at the following locations: Loblolly Ln N and The Woods Dr E, the corner of Pocosin Dr and Fallen Tree Dr E, and Fallen Tree Dr E at Wildflower Pl W.

Doggie Directory

Over the course of the last year or so, The Woods office, with the assistance of a few concerned residents, helped reunite nearly a dozen curious canines with their humans. We've been asking our resident pet owners to submit photos of their four-legged family members with contact information for our "Doggie Directory." Although we have received a few pooch pictures, we know it is only a slight fraction of our actual pup population. Pet owners, we need your help!



Please, take 5 minutes to snap a photo & email it to thewoodscommunit@bellsouth.net, or bring an actual photograph to The Woods office. Be sure to include the name of both owner & pet, as well as the best way to get in contact with you, or a trusted neighbor if you are unavailable. Your pets will be glad you did.

Remember: this database is used SOLELY to help reunite pets with their owners, and is not restricted to breed, weight, or number of pets.

IMPORTANT NOVEMBER EVENTS	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Rules & Safety Committee	Jan 2	7:00 pm	The Woods Clubhouse
Streets & Drains Committee	Jan 8	6:00 pm	The Woods Clubhouse
Covenant Enforcement Hearing	Jan 9	7:00 pm	The Woods Clubhouse
Women of the Woods	Jan 16	7:00 pm	The Woods Clubhouse
Finance Committee	Jan 22	7:00 pm	The Woods Clubhouse
Architectural Review Committee	Jan 30	6:30 pm	The Woods Clubhouse
Board of Directors	Jan 30	7:00 pm	The Woods Clubhouse

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Gardening Tips for January

The weather has been very mild lately and before you know it spring will be upon us. This means planting, mulching, re-sodding, etc., which leads me to the topic of Florida Friendly Landscaping or FFL.

What is FFL? Florida Statutes, section 373.185, defines FFL as “quality landscapes that conserve water, protect the environment, are adaptable to local conditions, and are drought tolerant. Nuisance, poorly maintained, and unkempt landscapes are not considered FFL.”

Any landscape can be considered FFL if the landscaping is designed and cared for according to the following nine principles:

- **Right plant, right place** - group plants requiring similar needs (sun, shade, water, etc)
- **Water efficiently** - minimize irrigation
- **Fertilize appropriately** - limit fertilizers to those that have at least 30% slow release nitrogen
- **Mulch** - use fallen leaves, pine needles or pine bark for mulch with 2 - 3 inch layer

A Word from the Women of the Woods

Women of The Woods strives to support the community and the city of Jacksonville. In November, we spearheaded the collection of food and gift cards for needy families through Hubbard House. In December we collected toys for the children and also gave our handmade bracelets to teens and moms through Hubbard House, all to make the holiday season happier for those in need.

Special thanks to Jean Kurkowski, who hosted our WOW Christmas party again this year at her fabulously decorated home. No one does Christmas like you, Jean!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR A NEW YEAR OF WOW ACTIVITIES:

JANUARY 16: Our 7pm meeting will begin with a special presentation by Woods resident Wally Smith (Vector Security) on tips for safety and home security. Then we'll kick back and enjoy a movie together, complete with popcorn, snacks, soda, and wine. Don't miss this one!

- **Attract wildlife** - provide water source such as birdbaths or water garden
- **Manage yard pests responsibly** - choose plants with no known serious pests or disease potential; limit pesticide
- **Recycle yard waste** - leave grass clippings on lawns; again use leaves and pine needles for mulch
- **Reduce stormwater runoff** - use rain barrels; pavers for driveways and patios
- **Protect waterfront** - keep grass clippings from storm drains and bodies of water

Plants that can be added to your garden in January include snapdragons, pansies, and violas. You can also plant bulbs of the agapanthus and gloriosa lily. Vegetables to plant in January include beets, cabbage, turnips and lettuce. January is also a good month for planting Camellias.



FEBRUARY 20: ARE YOU READY FOR AN EVENING OF PAMPERING? Be sure to join us at 7pm for CHOCOLATE NIGHT. On this decadent night, we'll be enjoying chocolates of all kinds, including a chocolate fountain, and wine. Then, WOW member Arvita Glenn will provide us with Seacret skincare products (containing minerals from the Dead Sea) to sample during our evening of luxury.

MARCH 20: Just as St. Patrick's Day includes a **pot** of gold, WOW members will have a St. Patrick's Day **pot** as well, a **POT LUCK DINNER!** Each of us will bring our favorite dish and the recipe for our delicious creations. Then, these recipes will be compiled into a special edition *2014 WOW Pot Luck Dinner Cookbook* that will be distributed to everyone in April.

WOW meets on the **third Thursday of each month** in The Woods Clubhouse at 7pm. Annual dues are \$15/person, payable by check or cash. If you have questions, please call Jeannie at 992-3848.

The Woods Board of Directors and Committee Chairs for 2014

Although your first point of contact should always be Caryn in the Woods office (221-3722), here is how to get in touch with your elected and appointed Woods officers during the coming year:

Board of Directors		
President	Steve Thomaston	stevethomaston@comcast.net
Vice-President	Jim Holland	hollandj68@gmail.com
Secretary	Bill Perry	wg.perry@comcast.net
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Director	Nick Causey	ncausey@epofc.com
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Architectural Review	Larry DeCaires	lardecair@bellsouth.net
Covenant Enforcement	Harold Hollander	h.hollander@comcast.net
Finance	Connie Waterer	waterjax@aol.com
Recreation	Heather Park	bugaboopark@comcast.net
Rules & Safety	Sandee Connolly	NA
Streets & Drains	Jim Blache	blachej@bellsouth.net

The Woods Tennis News

December was a great month for tennis at the Woods. Women's clinics have begun on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and Men's night is officially on Wednesday evening. There is an "over 60" 2.5 to 3.0 level Senior Men's group looking for players on Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday starting at 9am. Also many more opportunities for social play on weekday mornings have begun.

Starting Thursday, January 9th and running weekly from 9 to 10:30am, we will be offering an adult co-ed clinic focusing on doubles skills and shot basics. We have also created the "Try Tennis" series for adults on Saturdays at 9am starting January 11th and running every Saturday for 6 weeks. This lesson series is geared toward the very beginner player or for someone who has never played but is interested in trying tennis out.

Winter/Spring season USTA teams are also being coordinated. We will have a 3.0 Ladies' team playing on Sundays in April, a Men's 55's team will start in January, and we are trying to field a Ladies' 65 6.0 team to play on Mondays.

Junior lessons are a hit with over 20 participants on Wednesday and the Saturday class is slowly growing! The December/January Junior lesson series will end on the 22nd, and we will be adding more days of the week for the Juniors to get out and play. It is our goal to have 10's, 12's, and 14's teams in this year's Jacksonville spring Junior league.

Don't forget the New Year's Mixer on Jan 4th from 9am to Noon. Everyone brings a covered dish or holiday cheer. Coach REB will set up a fun tennis round robin so that The Woods and ABCC players can meet and mingle. We hope you'll bring your racquet and play, but if you just want to stop by and say hi, that's okay too!

As always if you want to get involved, please give me a call at 514-0569. See you at the courts! *REB*

Announcements and Reminders

THE WOODS BIBLE FELLOWSHIP meets every Tuesday evening at 6:30 pm. Come join us at the Woods Community Center! Share a cup of coffee and meet some friendly neighbors! For more information call or email Larry at: 382-4662 or WoodsBibleFellowship@gmail.com.

HELP WANTED! We are looking for good neighbors to help neighbors in need! There are those in the community that, for a variety of valid financial reasons, are having difficulty keeping their yards in compliance with the BYLAWS & Covenants. Just a few minutes a week would prevent these neighbors from facing the added embarrassment and burden of fines. This is not about helping those who won't, but rather it is all about helping those who can't! If you would like to be a Woods "Good Samaritan", please contact Larry Landin at 382-4662, or woodsbiblefellowship@gmail.com.



DON'T FORGET:

- ◆ Public school students report back to school on Jan 6th
- ◆ Recycle collection dates: January 8, 22
- ◆ You should be watering your lawn no more than once a week
- ◆ Be sure to call the appropriate gate ahead of time when you are expecting visitors
- ◆ The speed limit when driving in The Woods is 25 mph
- ◆ Oh, and those strange red and white octagonal signs located here and there throughout The Woods are called "STOP" signs . . . Just sayin'

ENTRY GATES	
ATLANTIC	221-3111
HODGES	221-2435
THE WOODS OFFICE	
PHONE—Line 1	221-3722
PHONE—Line 2	221-3723
FAX	221-0833
OFFICE HOURS	
MONDAY	9:00 am - 1:00 pm
TUESDAY	2:00 pm - 6:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	2:00 pm - 6:00 pm
THURSDAY	9:00 am - 1:00 pm
FRIDAY	9:00 am - 1:00 pm
MARSH LANDING MGMT CO	
PHONE	273-3033
FAX	273-0933

THE WOODS BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND COMMITTEE CHAIRS				IMPORTANT EMAIL/WEBSITES	
BOARD OFFICE	HOLDER	COMMITTEE	CHAIR	EMAIL: The Woods	thewoodscommunity@bellsouth.net
PRESIDENT	S. Thomaston	FINANCE	C. Waterer	CLASSIFIED ADS: The Woodsette	TheWoodsette@yahoo.com
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SECRETARY	B. Perry	STREETS & DRAINS	J. Blache	WEBSITE: Marsh Landing	www.marshlandingmanagement.com
TREASURER	M. Boggs	RULES & SAFETY	S. Connolly		
DIRECTOR	N. Causey	ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW	L. DeCaires		
		COVENANT ENFORCEMENT	H. Hollander		

CLASSIFIED ADS

PARADISE GALLERIES COLLECTORS DOLLS

I have 10 Paradise Galleries Collectors dolls, prices vary from \$15—\$100. Call Kimberly at (904) 654-7540.

BABYSITTING SERVICES

Babysitter available. My name is Melanye and I am 15 years old. I have been certified through the Red Cross/CPR programs. Please call for further information at 220-5212.

PET WALKING/DOG SITTER

Discount available to residents. Over 10 years of experience. Contact Tonya at 476-7536. References available.

PET SITTER

Experienced pet sitter, can accommodate the needs of almost any animals: dogs, cats, reptiles, birds, exotics just ask! High school student with a flexible schedule and reasonable rates. Woods resident of 5 years. References. Call Hannah (904) 923-5229

BARBECUE GRILL WANTED

Looking for a new or used gas barbecue grill in good condition. Call Kevin at 626-6314.

TEACHING MATERIALS

Preschool to grade 4 teaching books, materials, files from a 40 year accumulation of a retired teacher. Beverly at (904) 220-5704.

EQUIPMENT FOR THE MUSICIAN

Bose L1, Model II PAS \$2,000; two Gibson EB-2DC vintage bass guitars \$2,000 each; Hofner Club Bass \$2,500; various other guitars, amplifiers, effects processors, and more. Call Tim at 992-3848.

CHILD CARE

Woods resident offering child care in my home. BLS and CPR certified. Used to be a nurse and college instructor but due to an auto accident, must now work from home. Call or text 701-1012.

TIRES AND MICROWAVE FOR SALE

Three Toyo tires, size P205/65R15, \$40. Sharp Carousel microwave in excellent condition, \$35. Call Susan at 710-6685.

WINNIE THE POOH COLLECTOR PLATES

Bradford Exchange *Winnie the Pooh & Friends Plates* celebrate 70 years of Pooh. Sculptured 3D plates are hand numbered, hand cast, and hand painted. Pristine set of 12. \$120. Jeannie 992-3848.

Ads will run for one month and **must be received by the 20th of each month** to be included in the subsequent month's publication. You must re-submit each month if you wish the ad to be re-run. Please be advised that it may be necessary to edit your wording in order to fit within the space available. Send the text for your ad to: TheWoodsette@yahoo.com