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The Woods Community Newsletter

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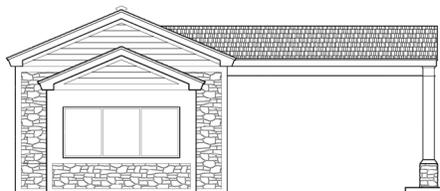
News from the Board of Directors

Work is progressing on both the renovations of the Hodges Blvd. entry building and replacement of the bridges around the pond just south of Palmetto Glade. We hope to start construction soon. When construction begins, the Hodges entrance will be closed entirely and all traffic will be diverted to the Atlantic entrance.

Please look for your notification of the annual meeting to be held on November 10th. Based upon recommendations from the Finance Committee, there will not be an increase in the annual dues this year. The reserves are being kept on track and are being funded according to our reserve study.

The swimming pool will be kept open for the month of October this year unless the weather takes a nasty turn. **Home owners are reminded that there will not be any lifeguards on duty at any time.** Please keep this in mind for your kids.

We have added a new bicycle rack at the school bus stop on the corner of Woods Park Dr. and The Woods Dr. East. Please make sure the bicycles are properly



The East Elevation of the new Hodges Gate

secured there at all times. The community is not responsible for anything stolen.

Halloween is just around the corner.

Please make sure the children have flashlights with them. Daylight savings time starts that night, so it will be dark early. For home owners, please turn on your porch lights to greet the children and leave them off for those who do not wish to participate.

The community is in need of volunteers to staff the Committees that provide input to your Board of Directors. Please contact the management staff at the office and find out how you can have a say in your community.

Please be safe and carry a flashlight while walking the neighborhood during hours of darkness. This safety tip goes for anyone walking, riding bicycles, or walking your dogs at night.

The Women of the Woods

On Thursday, September 17th, Women of The Woods gathered for our first meeting of the year. We were glad to welcome back members and happy to welcome new members too!!! The meeting began with a delicious Italian night dinner, compliments of the WOW Board. We began planning for events for the rest of the year, including our WOW Book Club.

Women of The Woods will host a **Spooky Game Night at 7pm on Thursday, October 15th** with Halloween themed goodies as well as wine and beverages. We will be play-

ing **BINGO** and will be offering an array of fabulous prizes for the winners. Come and join us for the fun!!!

In support of Hubbard House Food Baskets for Thanksgiving, we are asking WOW members to bring food and/or gift card contributions to the October 15th meeting. (See the shopping list on page 2.)

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.

IMPORTANT AUGUST EVENTS	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Streets & Drains	Oct 8	6:00 PM	The Woods Clubhouse
Women of the Woods	Oct 15	7:00 PM	The Woods Clubhouse
Finance Committee	Oct 21	7:00 PM	The Woods Clubhouse
Architectural Review Committee	Oct 29	6:30 PM	The Woods Clubhouse
Board of Directors	Oct 29	7:00 PM	The Woods Clubhouse

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Gardening Tips for October

What to Plant

Bedding Plants: Even though temperatures are still warm, begin planting for the cooler months ahead. Digitalis (foxglove), petunia, and shasta daisy are good plants for the fall garden.

Bulbs: There are many daffodils that are suitable for Florida. Fragrant varieties include 'Carlton', 'Fortune', 'Silver Chimes', 'Thallia', and 'Sweetness'.

Herbs: A wide range of herbs can be planted from seeds or plants this month. Some to try are dill, fennel, oregano, and sage.

Vegetables: Plant crops now that will grow and produce through the winter months. This includes beet, Brussels sprout, carrot, and onion.

What To Do

Lawn weeds: The time to control winter weeds in lawns is before they appear. Pre-emergent herbicides must be applied at the right time to be effective. Apply when nighttime temps are 55-60°F for 4-5 days. Avoid weed and feed products.

Winter landscapes: Evergreen hollies and their bright berries add color to the landscape when other plants have died back for the winter. Water well when planting and mulch to minimize weeds.

Pine needles: Gather pine needles that are dropping and use them for a natural mulch.

Strawberries: Prepare beds and set strawberry plants this month. If there isn't room for a bed, try planting them in large containers. Either way provide daily watering until plants are established.

Lawns: Lawns will start to lose color as the weather cools. For a green lawn all winter, overseed with annual ryegrass when daytime temps are in the low 70's.

Lawn disease: Until May, watch for brown patch and large patch, fungal diseases that cause areas of grass to turn brown. Since treatment is difficult, prevention with proper cultural practices is key. The disease becomes active when the soil temp, measured 2-4" deep, is between 65-75°F.

Yard of the Month For October 2015

Congratulations to James and Ashley Bruce of 2198 Woods Dr E for being selected as October's Yard of the Month. Please drive by and see their beautiful yard!

This is the last Yard of the Month award for 2015, but the awards for 2016 will start back up in April. Thank you to all The Woods' homeowners for making our community a beautiful place to live. See you next year.



Hubbard House Thanksgiving Baskets

Donations may be dropped off at either guard gate or at The Woods office until Friday, November 13th.

To promote fairness and consistency for the recipients, please only donate items on the shopping list. An entire basket can be made for just \$35. Please secure gift cards in a large envelope.

Hubbard House Outreach Center will continue to accept donations until Nov 21st.

You will need to bring them to their Beach Boulevard location:
6629 Beach Boulevard, Jacksonville, 32216

Instant Mashed Potatoes
Stuffing Mix
Jar or Packet of Turkey Gravy Mix
Dinner Rolls (off the shelf)
Canned Cranberry Sauce
Canned Sweet Potatoes or Yams
Canned Corn
Canned Green Beans
Canned Cream of Mushroom Soup
Durkee Onion Rings

Shopping List

Poultry Seasoning
White Sugar
Instant Tea
Aluminum Foil
Turkey Pan
Turkey Bags
Long Storage Milk (Evaporated or dry)
Gift Card for listed items (in \$25 increments)





FALL GARAGE SALE!



Every fall, The Women of The Woods hosts a garage sale, and this year the event will be on **October 24th from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.** In case of rain, the garage sale will be rescheduled to the next day.

A \$5.00 CASH **registration fee is mandatory for participation** and will get your home's address included on a neighborhood map of participants with descriptions of your items for sale, a real bargain given all the benefits you receive in return. W.O.W. provides newspaper ads, posts signs around the boundaries of our neighborhood, supplies each registered household with an official Participant Packet, distributes yard sale participant lists to visitors the day of the event, and arranges for resident DROP-OFF of any used goods

(no trash, please) to the Salvation Army truck stationed at the Clubhouse during and after the sale. Use this opportunity to get rid of a lot of cool stuff you no longer need, but could bless someone else in his or her household. Amazing publicity and the incredible turnout of previous years always make for hundreds of eager customers. You keep all the money you make. Your registration fee pays for the advertising, printing, and other costs associated with the event.

A word of caution: the start time is somewhat flexible. If the line becomes long and begins to cause traffic problems, customers may be admitted as early as 7 a.m. Woods residents have been known to begin their shopping

even earlier. Also, if you decide to close up shop early or just have a few things around the house to give away, the Salvation Army will have a truck located at the Woods Clubhouse to accept these items throughout the day of the sale.

The form and registration fee can be dropped off at either of the following locations:

The Woods Community Office

OR

The W.O.W. Garage Sale

*c/o Jeannie Ballentine
12875 Winged Elm Dr N*

If you have questions, please call Jeannie at 992-3848. We look forward to a fun and profitable day for everyone who participates!



FALL 2015 GARAGE SALE REGISTRATION

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

TOP 5 ITEMS FOR SALE

MUST BE IN NO LATER THAN MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2015



From the Streets and Drains Committee

The plans for the Hodges Guard House are moving along smoothly. It appears that the board may select a contractor and sign the contract by the end of October with a start date before the end of the year. What does that mean to the homeowners? The Hodges gate will be completely closed for all traffic, and everyone will be using the Atlantic Gate for the six to eight weeks it will take to erect the new structure. We will contact the city to see if we can extend the timing on the Atlantic Blvd traffic light to reduce the wait time. Also, please advise your permanent guests such as lawn care services that if their vehicles are over 9 feet tall, they will have to use the resident gate once the building is complete. The roof covering the visitor entrance will not accept vehicles over that height.

We should be starting drainage work on The Woods Drive, Firethorn Lane, The Woods Drive E, Wild Holly Court, and Spanish Moss

Drive within this same time frame. Be careful when driving these roads since workers will be in the area.

Another upcoming project will be to replace all the bridges around the pond at 5 bridges. That's the pond with the fountain on the east walking path. Bid requests are being prepared for this project. Hopefully that project will start early next year.

After the first of the year we will again look at the conditions of our roads to see what upgrades we will need to make. If anyone has pot holes, large cracks, bumps that shouldn't be there, or other things that may be problematic, please call the office and let them know. Mark your calendar and attend our meeting on the second Thursday of the month. It's a good time to voice your concerns about our roads and drainage systems. We will be in The Woods Clubhouse at 6PM on October 8th.

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

FREE GOLF – MEMBER FOR A DAY!

Queen's Harbour is extending owners in the Woods a special 'Member for a Day' package! Now through 12/11/2015 call a rep and experience all that the Country Club has to offer: Golf (\$20.00 cart fee still applies as it does with all members), tennis, swimming, 50% off all dining, and more!

What are you waiting for? Call and schedule your day and/or tee time TODAY!
 Contact: Jeff Carreira, 904-220-2118 ext 2 or Jeff.Carreira@ClubCorp.com

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

CLASSIFIED ADS

ITEMS FOR SALE

Black Computer/Office/TV Armoire w/built in power strip \$175, Large Oak Framed Mirror \$50, Wooden Antique 5 Drawer Vanity \$75, Men's Bike \$45. All items are in good condition. Call 343-6138.

ITEMS FOR SALE

King Size bed, headboard, mattress \$75, 2 sofas \$25 & \$50, Computer desk & chair \$25, Computer monitor 19" \$15, Surround sound stereo system \$50, TV stand 4' long \$20, Wheelchair (new) \$25, Chest freezer \$15. Call Randy at 223-5978.

ITEMS FOR SALE

Burley brand bike trailer, trailer attaches to an adult's bike & holds two children or pets. In great condition \$80. Call Matthew 240-5977.

BABYSITTING SERVICES

Babysitter available. My name is Melanye. I am 17 years old and I have my own transportation. I have been certified through the Red Cross/CPR programs. Please call 220-5212 for further information.

DAILY DOG WALKING AND PET SITTING

I am a homeschool teenager available for child care and dog walking/pet sitting. I have child care experience through babysitting, working in the church nursery and summer camps. I am available during the day as well as the evening. References available. Contact Hallee at 576-1315 for more info.

PET SITTING

Pet sitting for dogs, cats, or any other pets you may have. I am a high school student with a flexible schedule. References. Call Hannah at 923-5229.

The only ads that will be published in The Woodsette are 1) **Items for sale by residents** of The Woods and 2) **Services provided by children ages 18 and under, who are also residents** of The Woods. Ads will run for one month, unless other arrangements are made with the editor in advance. Ads **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 your ad may be edited in order to fit within the space available. Send the text for your ad to: TheWoodsette@yahoo.com.