



The Woodsette

The Woods Community Newsletter

February 2016

From The Woods Board of Directors

Beginning March 1st, the Hodges Gate will be closed for renovations. During that time all residents and guests will be directed to the Atlantic gate for entry and exit. We anticipate that there will be some delays to start with, but we are working with the City of Jacksonville and the FDOT to adjust the times on the Atlantic entrance traffic lights to accommodate the construction period. Giddens Security will have additional personnel on hand to assist with the increased traffic. The Board asks all residents to advise visitors and vendors of the need to use the Atlantic gate. The Board feels this will be the most efficient method to facilitate the construction. There will be a new gate system installed utilizing our current bar codes. We ask for your patience during this time.

Due to the abuse of the community dumpster, the fines will be increased for unauthorized use. Please contact the COJ (630-CITY) for additional pickups at your residence.

Spring Community Garage Sale to be Postponed!!

In order to avoid additional confusion and chaos during the construction of the new Gatehouse at the Hodges entrance, the Spring Community Garage Sale, usually held in mid-March, will be postponed to a later date. We will announce a new date for the Spring Garage Sale as soon as possible once a firm completion date for the Hodges Gatehouse can be determined. Stay tuned for more information!

Please check the with management for the schedule on the clubhouse renovations that will be taking place at the Community Center (see page 2). The clubhouse will be unavailable to rent during this period. The clubhouse will be repainted and new flooring installed. The playground equipment will also be getting some much needed maintenance and replacement of the mulch.

“No Parking” signs have been placed near the Hodges exit. Please do not park on the grass near the ponds. There is irrigation in this area that could be damaged.

As always, we need volunteers to staff several of our community committees. The committees include Finance, Streets & Drains, Architectural Review and Recreation. Please consider donating a small amount of time to help guide your community. The Board’s main goal is always improve our community.

IMPORTANT EVENTS	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Finance Committee	Feb 17	7:00 PM	The Woods Clubhouse
Streets & Drains	Feb 18	6:00 PM	Chili’s Restaurant
Women of the Woods	Feb 18	7:00 PM	The Woods Clubhouse
Architectural Review Committee	Feb 25	6:30 PM	The Woods Clubhouse
Board of Directors	Feb 25	7:00 PM	The Woods Clubhouse
Hodges Gate: Temporary Closure	Mar 1		

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Women of the Woods

On **January 21st**, the Women of The Woods met together to enjoy a wonderful evening of sharing. First, on **Pot Luck Night**, we filled our plates with a variety of entrees to sample. While we were enjoying these delicious delicacies, each member who brought a pot luck surprise shared how the Pot Luck entree was made and any special memories attached, as well as provided printed copies of the recipe. Following Pot Luck sharing was **Re-gift Night** where we contributed one "unwanted" Christmas gift and got to select a gift that someone else brought. We all went home with new treasures!!!

We hope you will plan to join us at our next meeting on **February 18th at 7pm**. It's **Movie Night** featuring the fabulous sequel **The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel**. This is the follow up movie to the one that we watched together two years ago (*The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*). At the end of the movie, we'll have a drawing, and one lucky member will go home with the DVD. Of course, we'll be providing popcorn, wine and beverages, and (in honor of Valentine's Day) chocolate snacks!

Special Notices and Reminders

- The playground will be closed February 8-10th for re-staining all the wood.
- The clubhouse is not available for rental on the following dates:
 - Feb 7 - 16, 2016 Painting
 - Mar 18 - 30, 2016 Floor replacement
- Overnight parking at the Community Center and Atlantic parking lot is only permitted if you have a pass. No overnight parking is permitted otherwise.

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As a reminder, the **Spring Garage Sale** has been **postponed** until the completion of construction at the Hodges Gatehouse and the reopening of the Hodges entrance. We'll keep you posted about the new date which will be later in the Spring.

On **March 17th at 7pm**, we will join in **Millie Landin's Recovery Celebration**. To celebrate her homecoming, we will be joined by The Woods Fellowship Bible group, as well as some of the hospital staff who have been supporting Millie's recovery. Larry Landin will provide the catering of traditional Irish food for the St. Patrick's Day theme, and an Irish Mother and Son will provide the music. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us on March 17th!

Women of The Woods 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.

- Guests - Please remember to call the gates ahead of time for your guests. This will be especially important when the Hodges gate is closed for rebuilding. If you are having a party, a guest list must be delivered to the guard houses ahead of time. If you have frequent visitors, it is a great idea to purchase a frequent visitor pass. These can be purchased at the office for \$5.00. This will help the guards get your guests through the gate quickly without having to look up your information in the computer and call for entry.

Spring Program 2016 – March 14 – May 9

Day: Mondays *Woods Residents Only*

Times: ages 3-4 = 4:30-5:15pm & ages 5-8 = 5:30-6:30pm

Age Groups: 3-4, 5-6, 7-8, *maybe up to age 9-10 if we have sufficient interest from winter camp

Cost: ages 3-4 = \$125 / ages 5 & up =

\$175 *includes Saturday Games at Russell Park in Atlantic Beach

Gardening Tips for February

What to Plant:

Bedding Plants: Since temperatures can drop to freezing this month, new additions to the garden must be able to withstand cold. Plants that can take a chill include dianthus, pansy, viola, and dusty miller.

Bulbs: Many bulbs can be planted now. Provide adequate water to establish and protect from cold weather with mulch. Some to try are dahlias, crinum, and agapanthus.

Flowering Plants: Many trees and shrubs will be in bloom including red maple, spirea, and star magnolia.

Potatoes: Plant potatoes now. Make sure you buy healthy seed pieces from a local nursery and plant 3" deep. Do not add lime to potato planting bed.

What to Do:

Cold damage to Palms: If cold weather has damaged palms, proper care may prevent loss of the palm and encourage recovery.

Citrus: Cold temperatures may still injure citrus. Avoid pruning until spring.

Roses: Roses should be pruned this month to remove damaged canes and improve the overall form. After pruning, fertilize and apply a fresh layer of mulch. Blooming will begin eight to nine weeks after pruning.

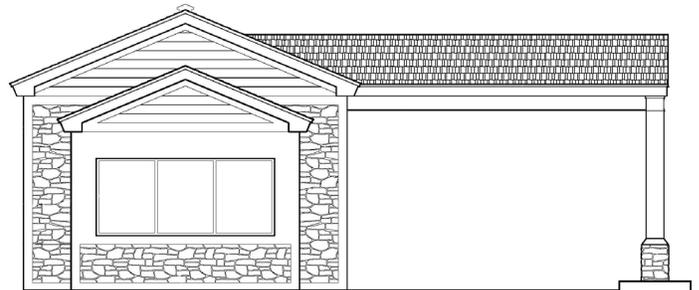
Shrubs: Make certain that you know the height and spread of any shrubs you plan to install. Not all shrubs are suitable for planting next to homes or under windows.

Lawn Weeds: After temps rise to 65 °F for 4-5 days, apply a pre-emergent weed killer (NOT a weed & feed fertilizer) to lawns this month to prevent warm season weeds. Timing is important for good control.

Fertilize Citrus and other Fruit Trees: If not done in January, fertilize now. Frequency and amount of fertilization depends on the age of the tree.

The New Hodges Gatehouse

The Hodges gate will be closed beginning March 1st to accommodate construction of the new Gatehouse. It is anticipated that construction will be completed and the entrance re-opened sometime in April.



2016 Household Waste and e-Waste Mobile Collection Dates

Continuing a commitment to address blight and poor neighborhood conditions, the mayor and his administration support and promote initiatives and events that encourage appropriate disposal of waste and other debris throughout Jacksonville. One of these many efforts is through the Solid Waste Division, which is hosting household hazardous waste (HHW) and electronic waste (e-waste) mobile collection events throughout the city.



WHEN and WHERE:

All collection events will be 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

- Feb. 13, 2016 – Ed Austin Regional Park: 2450 Monument Rd.
- March 12, 2016 – Lonnie Miller Park: 7689 Price Ln.
- March 26, 2016 – Blue Cypress Park: 4012 University Blvd. N.
- April 16, 2016 – Normandy Park: 1728 Lindsey Rd.
- May 14, 2016 – Jacksonville Beach Public Works Department: 1460 Shetter Ave.
- June 11, 2016 – Ed Austin Regional Park: 2450 Monument Rd.



Announcements and Reminders

- ◆ **Watering:** Now that Daylight Saving Time has ended, **one-day-a-week** watering is in effect. Homes with odd numbers water on Saturdays **only** and even-numbered homes water on Sundays **only**. There is to be **NO** watering between the hours of 10:00am and 4:00pm.
- ◆ **Recycling collection dates:** February 3, 17; March 2, 16, 30; April 13, 27
- ◆ **Driving in The Woods:** The speed limit in The Woods is 25 mph and STOP signs mean just that!
- ◆ **Call the Gates:** Be sure to advise the gate guard ahead of time when you are expecting visitors.
- ◆ **Neighborhood Ponds:** There are to be no boats, other watercraft, or swimming in any of the neighborhood ponds. Fishing is permitted; however, anything that is caught must be released back into the pond. Also fishing may only be done in ponds that have common areas surrounding them. It is not permitted to fish or gain access via a homeowner's lot unless you are the homeowner of that lot or an invited guest of the homeowner.
- ◆ **Feeding Your Pets:** You are encouraged NOT to leave food for your pets outdoors as the food attracts wildlife such as raccoons.
- ◆ **Cars and Garage Doors:** Remember to keep your garage doors closed when not in use and make sure your cars are locked.
- ◆ **Make Yourself Visible:** If you like to ride bikes, walk, or jog late in the day or at night, be sure to wear some light-colored (preferably reflective) clothing.
- ◆ **Walking Pets:** Jacksonville Municipal Code requires that pets be on a leash or tether when being walked by their owners. Both the law and common courtesy require that pet owners immediately clean up any mess made by their pets.

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

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
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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

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.

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.

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 baby-sitting, working in the church nursery and summer camps. I am available during the day as well as the evening. References available. Contact Halee at 576-1315 for more info.

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.