



The Woodsette

The Woods Community Newsletter

October 2016

The Woods Fall Festival and Chili Cookoff

The Recreation and Social committee has been resurrected and will host the Woods Fall Festival and Chili Cook Off on October 16th, 2016 from 3 PM – 6 PM. The events will be at held at The Woods clubhouse and fields.

The Fall Festival and Chili Cook off will include the following activities:

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| Chili Cook Off | Games/Relays | Fall Craft |
| Obstacle Course (blow up) | | Photo Op station |
| Drinks | Popcorn | Cake/Pie Walk |
| Face Painting | Prizes/candy | DJ |

In order to be successful with the Fall Festival, we need volunteers to help with set up, supervision, participation and clean up .

If you are interested in helping out (even for just an hour), participating in the chili cook off, donating a cake/pie, etc., please reach out to Kristin Wolke at kristinlack@gmail.com or 513-476-6916; contact the office or check out SignUp Genius that lists the needs for the festival and allows you to directly sign up for available slots:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090f4fa4a82fa5f94-fall1>.

We will also provide community hours for any school kids that want to volunteer.

We can only be successful if we obtain plenty of community support, and we look forward to hosting many more events to bring us all together!

An Update from the Streets and Drains Committee

Installation of a sidewalk connecting the existing nature trail just south of the Atlantic Guard house with the sidewalk on the East side of The Woods Drive on Atlantic Blvd should begin sometime in early October. Please be careful in that area since there will be some light construction equipment being used. When completed there will no longer be a need to walk in the road to exit the property near the Atlantic Gate.

In early November, the replacement of the bridges at the 5 bridges pond and the Winding Creek Lane pond, as well as the safety rails at both bridges over the Sandalwood Canal, will begin. The bridges and rails will all be made of pier quality pressure/salt water treated lumber. Once started, those areas will be closed to any type of traffic. Finally, a short section of the walking path behind Fallen Tree Drive W will also be replaced. Please exercise caution while these projects are underway.

Fall Garage Sale Highlights

SPECIAL THANKS TO THE 114 RESIDENTS WHO PAID THEIR \$5.00 REGISTRATION FOR THE FALL GARAGE SALE. It was a great success.

Because of the fabulous weather, some residents may have decided at the last minute to participate in the sale and were unable to turn in their registration fee. If you had

a garage sale and have not yet paid, please contribute your \$5.00 registration fee to help defray the cost of preparation and advertising by Women of The Woods that brought so many people to your sale. You may submit your \$5 to Caryn in the Clubhouse. **Again, to those of you who paid your \$5.00 registration fee, THANK YOU SO MUCH!!!**

IMPORTANT EVENTS	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Streets & Drains	Oct 15	6:00 PM	Chili's Restaurant
Fall Festival/Chili Cookoff	Oct 16	3:00-6:00PM	The Woods Clubhouse
Finance Committee	Oct 19	7:00 PM	The Woods Clubhouse
Women of the Woods	Oct 20	7:00 PM	The Woods Clubhouse
Architectural Review Committee	Oct 27	6:30 PM	The Woods Clubhouse
Board of Directors	Oct 27	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.

The Women of the Woods

At our first meeting on **September 15th**, all Woods residents were invited to share **An Evening with Jacksonville Author, Dorothy K. Fletcher**. We had a great turnout! Dottie shared her humorous experiences and historical perspectives over many years as a writer. History Press has published four of her Jacksonville themed books: *Remembering Jacksonville*; *Growing Up in Jacksonville*; *Lost Restaurants of Jacksonville*; and *Historic Jacksonville Theatre Palaces, Drive-ins and Theatre Houses*. Her works include other books as well as articles for the Florida Times-Union, Folio Weekly, and the Key West Review. Four lucky door prize winners went home with autographed copies of Dottie's books.

YOU DO NOT WANT TO MISS OUR FUN FILLED OCTOBER MEETING!!! JoAnn Orlando and Pat Chatfield will host

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.

October Yard of the Month

We would like to congratulate Linda and Don Beasley of 2227 Winding Creek Lane for earning the October 2016 Yard of the Month. They are long time residents of The Woods. Don loves working in his lovely yard and working with plants. Congratulations again Don and Linda!



We would also like to recognize some homeowners who have done an outstanding job throughout the year but did not get recognized. Honorable mentions are:

2336 Woods Dr	2448 Winged Elm Dr E
2160 Spanish Moss Dr	2506 Beautyberry Cir
13014 Loblolly Ln N	12854 Chinquapin Way

Thanks to Ace Hardware for providing the Gift Certificate.

our **Spooky Game Night at 7pm on Thursday, October 20th** with Halloween themed goodies as well as wine and beverages. We will be playing **BINGO** and will be offering an array of fabulous prizes for the winners. Come and join us for the fun!!!

Our November 17th meeting will be a fabulous Fashion Show. Mark your calendar...more details to come.

The Fall Garage Sale sponsored by Women of The Woods was a great success with 114 residents officially participating.

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 Community Annual Meeting

The Woods Community Annual Meeting will be held on November 15th. Please keep an eye out for the annual packet coming in the mail the second week of October. It is important that we receive a quorum of membership to respond with your proxy and ballot. We need 30% of the community in order to have an election. It is important that your ballot be placed in the ballot envelope. Then your proxy and

ballot envelope are placed in the return envelope and the return envelope must be signed. Early voting is due by Monday, November 14th. Early voting is preferred. If you prefer, you can always bring your vote to the annual meeting which begins at 7:30 PM on the 15th of November here at the clubhouse. Please contact the office if you have any questions on how to vote.

THE WOODS DIRECTORY

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL OWNERS AND RESIDENTS

A Resident Directory is being planned for 2017-18. It will include important information for residents including members of The Woods Board of Directors, important phone numbers of local businesses and emergency contacts, The Woods Office hours and phone numbers, and a map of the subdivision. The cost for printing the directory will be covered through the sale of advertisements purchased by local businesses. We encourage residents who have businesses to advertise in the directory.

Section 1: Only for Residents Who Are Renting a home in The Woods. You may also be included in the 2017 Resident directory by completing and returning the following form:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Email (optional) _____

IF YOU DO NOT RETURN THIS FORM, YOUR NAME WILL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE WOODS 2017 RESIDENT DIRECTORY.

Section 2: Only for Property Owners in The Woods. You may request to be excluded from this directory OR to have additional information included by completing the form below. PLEASE PRINT.

PLEASE NOTE, IF YOU HAVE ALREADY SUBMITTED THIS FORM, YOU DO NOT NEED TO COMPLETE OR SUBMIT THIS FORM AGAIN.

Owner'(s) Name: _____

Owner'(s) Address: _____

_____ **Exclude** my name, address, and phone number.

_____ **Exclude** my phone number only.

OR

_____ **Include** the following information along with my name, address, and phone number:

Cell phone number (____) _____ email address _____

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IF YOU DO NOT RETURN THIS FORM, YOUR NAME, ADDRESS, AND PHONE NUMBER WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE WOODS 2017 RESIDENT DIRECTORY.

Completed forms should be returned to Jeannie Ballentine, 12875 Winged Elm Dr. N., Jacksonville, FL 32246 (ballenje@aol.com) or mailed to The Woods Office on or before November 15, 2016. Questions? Call Jeannie at (904) 992-3848.

Important Notice: Parking in The Woods

All residents of The Woods are advised to familiarize themselves with the Parking Rules of The Woods Community. If you are not familiar with the parking rules, you can find them on the community website by entering the following link into your web browser:

<http://thewoodscommunity.com/document-downloads/community-declarations/>

Click on the last item (“Rules and Regulations”) and proceed to page 11 of the document. If you have questions regarding any of the information in that document, please feel free to call The Woods office for clarification.

Important Announcements and Reminders

- **Watering:** Two-days-a-week watering is in effect. Odd-numbered homes water **only** on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Even-numbered homes water **only** on Thursdays and Sundays. There is to be **NO** watering between the hours of 10:00am and 4:00pm on any day.
- **Recycling collection dates:** Oct 12, 26; Nov 9, 23; Dec 7, 21
- **Driving in The Woods:** The speed limit in The Woods is 25 mph and **STOP** signs are not just a suggestion!
- **Call the Gates:** Be sure to advise the gate guard ahead of time when you are expecting visitors.
- **Hodges gate entry policy:** Any guest vehicles over 10 feet in height are required to use the Atlantic Gate for entry. Please notify your vendors and guests.
- **Do not park behind the Atlantic guardhouse:** This area is used for ingress and egress for Squirrel Tree Court. Use the Atlantic parking area if needed.
- **Overnight parking:** Overnight parking at the Community Center and Atlantic parking lot is permitted only with a pass from the Management Office.
- **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.
- **Homes that border the retention ponds, canals and ditches:** Please do not dump your landscaping debris in these areas. This causes the water to back up not only for our community, but surrounding communities as well. Please take advantage of the City of Jacksonville’s lawn debris pick up which occurs every Thursday. Lawn debris may not be placed at the curb until after 5:00 pm Wednesday.
- **Feeding Your Pets:** You should not to leave food for your pets outdoors as the food attracts wildlife such as raccoons.
- **Cars and Garage Doors:** 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.
- **ARC policy:** A \$25.00 deposit is now required at the time you submit your application to the ARC. This deposit will be held until your project is completed and the final inspection has occurred.
- **Trash cans:** Must be stored in a non-visible location.
- **Bulk pickup:** Follows the same schedule as recycling. You no longer need to call for a special pickup for most items.

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/COMMITTEE CHAIRS			
BOARD OFFICE	HOLDER	COMMITTEE	CHAIR
PRESIDENT	B. Perry	FINANCE	J. Barr
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DIRECTOR	G. Wilson		

IMPORTANT EMAIL/WEBSITES	
EMAIL: The Woods	thewoodscommunit@bellsouth.net
CLASSIFIED ADS: The Woodsette	TheWoodsette@yahoo.com
WEBSITE: The Woods	www.thewoodscommunity.com
WEBSITE: Marsh Landing	www.marshlandingmanagement.com

CLASSIFIED ADS

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.

Advertising is free and reserved exclusively for Residents/Homeowners of The Woods.