



The Woodsette

The Woods Community Newsletter

April 2018

Lawn and Garden Tips for April

What to Plant

Annuals/Bedding Plants: New varieties of coleus do well in sun or shade and provide vivid colors and patterns for months.

Bulbs: This is an ideal time to plant many bulbs. Consider blood lily, caladium, or canna. Louisiana iris and others make beautiful cut flowers.

Herbs: Plant heat-loving herbs, including basil, oregano, sage, Mexican tarragon, and rosemary.

Vegetables: Continue planting warm-season crops. Mulch well to prevent weeds and provide irrigation if rainfall is lacking.

What to Do

Pests: Monitor landscape plants for aphids that feed on tender new growth.

Beneficials: Identify and conserve beneficial insects. These insects should be encouraged in your yard!

Perennials and bulbs: Divide

clumps of bulbs, ornamental grasses, or herbaceous perennials to expand or rejuvenate garden beds or to pass along to friends.

Lawn insects: Rule out cultural problems, such as lack of water, that resemble insect damage before applying a pesticide.

Lawns: Apply fertilizer after new growth has started—usually early April in north-central Florida and mid-April for north Florida and the panhandle.

Shrubs: Choose from a wide variety of shrubs to add to the landscape now.

Trees: Consider planting a spring-blooming tree, such as fringetree (*Chionanthus virginicus*), Carolina Silverbell (*Halesia carolina*), or redbud (*Cercis canadensis*).

Mulch: Add mulch to minimize weeds and conserve moisture during dry weather. Organic mulches break down and add nutrients to the soil.



Yellow Canna

Be sure to check out the insert pages for up-to-date information regarding Summer opportunities for kids and this month's Community Garage Sale!

MEETINGS & EVENTS	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Recreation & Social Committee	No Meeting		
Home & Garden Club	April 12	7:00 PM	The Clubhouse
Streets & Drains Committee	April 12	6:00 PM	Chili's
Women of the Woods	April 16	7:00 PM	The Clubhouse
Rules & Safety Committee	April 17	6:00 PM	The Clubhouse
Finance Committee	April 18	7:00 PM	The Clubhouse
Architectural Review Committee	April 26	6:30 PM	The Clubhouse
Board of Directors	April 26	7:00 PM	The Clubhouse

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Women of the Woods

On **March 19th at 7pm**, Women of The Woods enjoyed a fun and informational program on **Arrangements with Succulents**, hosted by **Laura Strader, Sandi Hrubiec, and Connie Keuski**. Each member brought a pot or planter for this fun filled hands-on creation of a personal arrangement of succulents! Hostesses provided plants, soil, fertilizer, rocks, and tiny decorative stones. Everyone went home with a lovely new plant. Laura, Sandi, and Connie provided delicious snacks and beverages while we worked on our designs!!! **Thanks so much to our hostesses.**

On **April 16th**, Joanne Louis, Joyce Langley, and

Marilyn Osiecki will be hosting a hands-on craft session. All materials will be provided, along with snacks and beverages. Come and join the fun!!

Our **final meeting on Monday, May 21st**, is our **Celebration Dinner at the Clubhouse**. Each of us is bringing a POT LUCK appetizer, dish, or dessert. We began signing up at the March meeting and will complete our sign-up at the April meeting.

Women of The Woods meets on the **third Monday of each month** in The Woods Clubhouse at 7pm. This year, members pay no annual dues. If you have questions, please call Jeannie at 992-3848.

Home & Garden Club—Celebrate the Earth

April is a big month for The Environment. April 22nd marks **Earth Day** and this year in Florida, April 27th is *Arbor Day*.

Earth Day is an annual event celebrated every April 22nd. Worldwide, various events are held to demonstrate support for environmental protection. First celebrated in 1970, Earth Day events in more than 193 countries are now coordinated globally by the Earth Day Network. Earth Day 2018 is dedicated to Ending Plastic Pollution.

From poisoning and injuring marine life to disrupting human hormones, from littering our beaches and landscapes to clogging our waste streams and landfills, the exponential growth of plastics is now threatening the survival of our planet. In response, Earth Day 2018 is dedicated to providing the information and inspiration needed to fundamentally change human attitude and behavior about plastics. Visit the Earth Day website at www.earthday.org to learn what you can do to make a difference! Join us at our monthly Home & Garden Club meetings to talk more about this important effort!

Arbor Day is also celebrated in April in Florida and is a special day that is set aside throughout the world to raise awareness of trees and the important role that they play in our environment. The day is celebrated on different dates around the world, depending on local seasons and temperature. This is because one of the features of Arbor Day is the planting of trees which is best done at certain times of the year. Arbor Day was first celebrated in Nebraska in 1872 and it quickly grew to be recognized as a national and international day. People throughout the world take part in tree planting events and other

celebrations of trees and the role that they play in our environment. The aim of the day is to raise awareness of trees and to help to provide tree education.

Why is Arbor Day Important Today? Although Arbor Day has been celebrated for well over 100 years, its relevance today is as strong as it was when the day was first celebrated. When people wonder “why is Arbor Day important” they only have to look at the destruction and long term damage that deforestation has on the environment to realize that the issues are as important today as they have ever been. **Trees can no longer be taken for granted and it is important that we all learn more about trees and the role that they play in order to fully appreciate their place in our environment.**

In honor of **Earth Day & Arbor Day**, please join us for our April Home & Garden Club meeting at the Community Clubhouse on Thursday, April 12th at 7:00 p.m. We will be **TALKING TREES** again with Duval County Urban Forest Advocate, Larry Figart. Larry will be returning to speak about how to select, plant and care for trees for maximum storm resistance.

Also on our agenda for our April Earth Celebration is a **WINE TASTING** with Bill Morrison, Woods Resident, Wine Expert and Sommelier. Bill will briefly cover the topic “From Vine to Glass.” He will answer questions about how wine is made and why prices vary so widely. Find out what wine makers do to improve the wines in the vineyard, and in the winery itself. We will explore a few varietals, and discuss how the microclimate plays a key role in the process. Hope to see you there! Cheers!

Recreation and Social Committee News and Events

The Recreation and Social Committee would like to thank all those that came out to the First Food Truck Friday and Movie Night and Spring Celebration Event.

The first food truck Friday was a wonderful way to connect with neighbors and try some excellent, local food trucks. Unfortunately, the originally scheduled food trucks had issues so we replaced them with Dagwoods and E & W BBQ. These were both delicious and had wonderful service! The children and families also enjoyed watching Moana on the big screen provided by amazingjax.com! A big shout out to all those that helped with setup and cleanup.

The Spring Celebration event was a hit with the kids as we hid over 2300 eggs and provided a sun catcher nature craft, photo ops with a painted bunny cutout, games, small craft show and two wonderful food trucks: The Loving Cup and Cajun Cravings 2 Go. Marina O'Donovan did a wonderful job coordinating and running the event and all the volunteers that donated goodies for the eggs, helped to stuff and hide eggs, set up/cleaned up, helped with the craft, etc are truly appreciated!



We still need volunteers and help with many events so please contact us if you would like to become involved in any way.

Approved Events for April - June 2018:

Food Truck Fridays – 2nd Friday of the Month (March – June) from 5 – 8 PM in conjunction with Jax Food

Trucks (<https://jaxfoodtrucks.com/>).

April 13th: Food Truck Friday featuring The Loving Cup (Dinner Menu) & Latin Soul Grille (Latin & BBQ cuisines) 5 PM – 8 PM

May 11th: Food Truck Friday featuring Hapa Li (Hawaiian) & Mother Truckin Pizza 5 PM – 8 PM

June 8th: Food Truck Friday featuring Manny's Cuban and What' Smokin 5PM – 8 PM

*Menus and prices will be published before the event on The Woods Facebook and NextDoor pages.

Pending Board Approval our 2018 Schedule of Events is as follows:

June 2nd – 11 AM – 3 PM End of School Party with Pizza and Food Trucks

July 4th -4th of July Party

July – Older Teen/Adult Movie Night (TBD)

August 18th 6:30 PM - ? : Margarita Party

September/October – Movie Night (TBD)

November 3rd – Fall Festival (Time TBD)

December 15th – Santa and Mrs. Claus and Luminary Night

Upcoming Discussions/Requests:

- I need someone to help or coordinate the food truck Fridays as I am nearing the end of my pregnancy and it is harder for me to do these events. I need help April 13th and May 11th for organizing the food trucks (direct where they should park and block off front entrance and eating area) table and chair set up and clean up for the Food Trucks. Any assistance would be appreciated. You can contact kristinlack@gmail.com.
- Some residents have expressed an interest in some older adult get-togethers such as game nights or hobby clubs. We would need some help organizing and putting these on if there is enough interest. I have had some interest but no one willing to run these events. I will not be able to take this one with another little one on the way so we would need a volunteer to coordinate/run.
- Any additional ideas to bring residents together such as exercise groups (potentially adding some stations to the trails), kids/play/mom groups, etc are welcome.

Contact Kristin Wolke if interested in helping with any activities or events at: kristinlack@gmail.com or join The Woods Recreation and Social Committee Facebook page.

Important Announcements and Reminders

- ♦ **Watering: Two-days-a-week** watering is currently 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.
- **Recycling Collection Dates:** Apr 11, 25; May 9,23; June 6, 20; July 4, 18; Aug 1, 15, 29; Sep 12, 26. Bulk pickup follows the same schedule as recycling.
- **Cul De Sacs (common areas):** Use by residents for trash, lawn debris or parking is **expressly prohibited**. These are common areas. We ask that everyone keep this in mind. Please note that vehicles parked in these areas will be towed immediately once discovered by Woods' security personnel.
- Do **not put lawn clippings**, or any other debris, into any of the Woods' ponds.
- Do **not feed the geese** that inhabit the many ponds and lawns around the neighborhood.
- In order to assist the guards with more efficient entries, residents are to **call in their guests ahead of time**.
- For **non-vehicular entry:** all persons entering the community on foot, bicycle, etc., must check in with the Gate guards and be prepared to show photo ID as proof of residency in the community.
- **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.
- Jacksonville Municipal Code requires that **pets must 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**.
- **Animals not on a leash:** whether accompanied by the owner or not, should be reported immediately to the City of Jacksonville Animal Control at 630-2489.
- The Board has continued the JSO patrols throughout the community. That means **STOP at all stop signs and honor the 25 mph speed limit**.
- **SPECIAL REMINDER** - Remember to keep your garage doors closed when not in use and make sure your cars are locked at all times.



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
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CLASSIFIED ADS

NEED HELP WITH LAWN AND GARDEN

Will pay \$12 an hour for occasional lawn and garden help. Call Sam at 904.504.9129

BABYSITTER, PETSITTER, HOUSESITTER

Call Susan Scavone, 970-379-1457.

PRIVATE PIANO OR VOICE LESSONS

Private piano or voice lessons available here in the woods. Call 412-5959 or 412-6305.

FOR SALE

2 roof solar panels available for sale. For further inquiries please contact Joyce at 221-9643 leave a message.

The only ads that will be published in The Woodsette are 1) **Personal 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. No business ads. 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.

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