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The Winter Woods News will pause now until Sep- Page 2 tember. The WWHA Board will not meet again until August – a long tradition. I would certainly like to thank Nell Colbert for all her efforts putting this newsletter together. It is a big task and she does it very well.

I would also like to thank Joe Gmerek for his efforts in keeping Winter Woods beautiful as he tends the . areas with our welcome signs. He does get some occasional help, but mostly he does it by him- Page 4 self. Joe is also our judge for our Yard of the . Month.

And please don't forget our website at:

http://winterwoodshoa.com/. Board member Laura Spear is the webmaster. If you have items to be listed please let her know.

Even with occasional incidents, Winter Woods is still one of the safest neighborhoods in one of the safest counties in Florida. A low crime rate can do more to enhance home values than almost any other asset.

The Winter Woods Homeowners association is the sponsor of Neighborhood Watch. Please become a HOA member and offer to participate on the Board if you can. We are ALWAYS looking for new members.



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**If not**, please send an email to Nell at necolbert@usa.net so that you can be added to our resident database.

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# Yard of the Month



May, 2019 1560 Nottingham Mark And Patty Durham

### Congratulations!





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## **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH—Larry Stephey**

As noted elsewhere in this newsletter, this will be the last issue until September as we break for the summer. Nevertheless, Neighborhood Watch continues and perhaps, becomes more active for the summer.

As neighbors come and go for vacation travel, please look after the vacant home for suspicious activity. If something looks out of place and you feel something strange is happening, call the nonemergency number of 407-665-6650 and just let them know. A deputy is probably in the area and can swing by just to take a look. They would much prefer to prevent a crime than to have to report the details after the crime has occurred.

An email alert was issued by us for a pickup truck theft that happened Wednesday morning, May 1 from 2024 Sussex. As far as we know that crime is still open.

Larry Stephey Coordinator Winter Woods Neighborhood Watch 407-657-7309 Idstephey@yahoo.com





- Lawn Maintenance
- Landscaping
- Mulch / Stone Installation
- Sod Installation
- Tree Trimming / Removal
- Clean-ups

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### **ADVERTISING INFORMATION**

Would your business like to advertise in our newsletter? This newsletter, with distribution to over 300 homes and advertisers, is now accepting advertising for our monthly newsletters.

#### Advertising rates per issue are as follows:

Business card size - \$ 10.00 (3 3/4"w x 2 1/4"l) 1/4 page - \$ 15.00 (3 3/4"w x 4 3/4"l) 1/2 page - \$ 25.00 (7 3/4"w x 4 3/4"l or 3 3/4"w x 9 3/4"l)

Full page - \$ 40.00 (7 3/4"w x 9 3/4"l)

Copy MUST be emailed to the editor as a jpg, PDF, or Publisher file and payment MUST be mailed to the HOA's PO Box. NOTE—some due dates may change due to holiday print schedules.

#### COPY DEADLINES:

Jan issue—10December Feb issue—15January Mar issue—15February April issue—15March May issue—15April June issue—15May July-August—NO NEWSLETTERS September issue—15August October issue—15September November issue—15October December issue—15November

**QUESTIONS**—Contact the editor at 321.303.7445 or email necolbert@usa.net.



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### MEMBERSHIP—Nell Colbert

Since our last newsletter deadline, only three new memberships were received, giving us a total of 125 homes or 44.33% of our neighborhood. If you don't remember if you've paid, please don't hesitate to give me a call at 321.303.7445 and I'll look at our records. It's not too late to support your Homeowners Association. Please help us keep Winter Woods a fantastic place to call "home."

**And for all our RENTERS** – you are also encouraged to join your Homeowners Association. You, too, are part of our Winter Woods family!

Please check your records and if you have not yet paid your dues for 2019, please run your \$25.00 check payable to WWHA by my home at 1958 Poinciana Road, pay using the PayPal link below, or mail your check to:

WWHA PO Box 342 Goldenrod, FL 32733-0342

To pay using PayPal, just click on the link or paste it into your browser: <u>https://www.paypal.com/cgi-bin/webscr?cmd=\_s-xclick&hosted\_button\_id=M26R4E6KYQUKC</u>

Please remember that when paying by credit card or using your PayPal account, you'll pay \$26.50 to cover the processing fees imposed by PayPal.

The following residents have joined our Association since the May newsletter was published:

<u>Coventry</u>

2245 The Mathis Family

King James Court 2268 Retse Saylor

#### King Richards Court

2230 Gina M. Varan



Payments received after May 17<sup>th</sup> will be shown in the September newsletter. <u>Thanks to everyone</u> who has already paid dues for 2019. Many of our streets only need a few more members each to achieve 100%. It's not too late to pay your 2019 dues so let's make our thermometer climb to the top before it gets taken down at the end of June and stored until January! Thank you in advance for supporting the positive work being accomplished by your Homeowners Association.

If you've misplaced the remittance form you received in January or you're a new resident, please clip the form below and include it with your payment.

WINTER WOODS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION
2019 MEMBERSHIP

#### Please complete the information below so that our membership records will be complete.

Please make your **\$25.00** check payable to **WWHA** and <u>this form</u> to WWHA, PO Box 342, Goldenrod, FL 32733-0342. You may also drop off your form at my home (1958 Poinciana Road) if you prefer.

Name		
Street Address		
Phone #	Email Address	
Name as you would like it show	vn in the newsletter	



# **Coyote Alert**

You may have read on Nextdoor-Winter Woods recently several posts about coyotes in the Winter Park area. This is just a reminder that coyotes roam our neighborhoods in search of shelter and, of course, food. Coyotes live in every state in the US except Hawaii. Coyotes are curious but are also timid and will run away if challenged. These animals resemble a small German Shepherd dog and weigh between 15 and 30 pounds. The coyote diet consists of just about anything they can find including pet food, fruits, nuts, seeds, dead animals, and rodents, as well as domestic cats and small dogs. Coyotes will also eat garbage if they can get to it. Please make sure



that your garbage cans are securely closed when you put them out for collection and that you are not leaving dishes of pet food outside.

Most coyote attacks on animals occur overnight, at dawn, or at dusk. If you can avoid walking your dogs at these times, it is best to do so. If you must walk your dog during these peak attack times, please be sure to keep your dog on a short leash. And please keep your cats indoors over night. To protect your animals when you walk them, you might consider carrying a large squirt gun, walking stick, golf club or air horn with you. The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission has some very interesting information that can be found on-line—just click on the link below or type it into your browser.

https://cityofwinterpark.org/docs/quick-info/a-guide-to-living-with-urban-coyotes.pdf

### Welcome to Hurricane Season—Bob Colbert

June 1<sup>st</sup> is no longer "around the corner" in fact, it is HERE! And to help you along with the idea, here are the 2019 names for these storms:

Andrea; Barry; Chantal; Dorian; Erin; Fernand; Gabrielle; Humberto; Imelda; Jerry; Karen; Lorenzo; Melisa; Nestor; Olga; Pablo; Rebekah; Sebastien; Tanya; Van and Wendy. This list can but hopefully will not be expanded as needed through the season.

#### Sales tax holiday for disaster-preparedness supplies

The following products will be exempt from <u>Florida sales and use tax</u> from 12:01 a.m. on May 31, 2019, through 11:59 p.m. on June 6, 2019:

AAA-cell, AA-cell, C-cell, D-cell, 6-volt, or 9-volt batteries, excluding automobile and boat batteries (\$30 or less)

Gas or diesel fuel tanks (\$25 or less)

Ground anchor systems or tie-down kits (\$50 or less)

Non-electric food storage coolers (\$30 or less)

Portable generators used to provide light or communications or to preserve food in the event of a power outage (\$750 or less)

Portable self-powered light sources (\$20 or less)

Portable self-powered radios, two-way radios, or weather-band radios (\$50 or less)

Reusable ice such as ice packs (\$10 or less)

Tarpaulins or other flexible waterproof sheeting (\$50 or less)

CAUTION --- Never run a generator or use outdoor cooking equipment in the garage, inside the house or next to an open door or window. Carbon monoxide is odorless and colorless and can kill your family.

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### Year-Round Vegetable Gardening—Al Baker



As we enter the hot summer months the choice of plants that can thrive and can take the heat changes dramatically. Did you ever wonder how people lived in hot climates in times past? Well they grew the foods that love the suns heat. Before I give you a list of what to plant let's talk about how to prepare the soil. Good soil is good because it is teeming with millions of microbes. But microbes don't like to

be fried and dried by the sun. They multiply when the soil is protected with a reasonable amount of foliage. This means we should always try to cover as much of the ground around your plants as possible. Good ground covers are leaves, organic ground up mulch, straw or better yet hay if available. Almost anything will work including paper cardboard, even newspaper. Your plants will flourish and remain healthy all

summer long. Here are the most common plants that you should consider: Cherry tomatoes, yard long beans (often called snake beans or Asian beans) Eggplant, Seminole squash, wing beans, Malabar spinach, and watermelon. Onions and most peppers will grow if planted before the heat hits. So, get started today and have some hot fun in the summertime.



#### **Recent Sales in Winter Woods:**

5 beds / 3 baths	Nottingham Drive	\$399,900
3 beds / 2 baths	Poinciana Road	\$245,000
3 beds / 2 baths	Nottingham Drive	\$265,000

\*information obtained from MFRMLS





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