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PRESIDENT'S KORNER

Our annual General Membership Meeting of the Winter Woods Homeowners Association was held on Thursday, October 10. The following were elected to the Board of Directors: Nell Colbert, Gerty Ekdahl, Joe Gmerek, Felicia Paredes, Glen Paredes, Greg Pfister, Debra Stephey, Lawrence Stephey, Don Sumner, and Judy Sumner.

We now have ten members and we have a current By-Law requirement of a minimum of ten members. We need more members on this Board.

Because the WWHA is a "voluntary" association, our neighborhood residents are not obligated to belong and at \$25 per year, membership is not a financially onerous burden. The Association is responsible for publishing and distributing a monthly newsletter and trying to keep up the few common areas we have in the neighborhood such as the signs and the sign circles. We also form the foundation of Neighborhood Watch and coordinate public safety events in the neighborhood.

In the event that the neighborhood needs a spokesperson, the Board serves as that point of contact. This has happened in the past when the development of the Interlochen Golf Course was suspected of causing water table fluctuations, and when Casselberry was insisting on the signing of an annexation agreement BEFORE water was turned on when a home in the neighborhood was sold.

We have also spoken for the neighborhood when our electricity was slow to be restored after the past many hurricanes. This is a battle which is still on going.

What the Board does is important to the preservation and protection of home owner values in Winter Woods. This should be important to you, too.

We could use more help. The next meeting of the Winter Woods HOA will be, Thursday, November 14, at 7:30 p.m. at the South Seminole Church of Christ. I hope we will see you there.

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Yard of the Month



October, 2019
1810 Poinciana Road
The Camacho Family

Congratulations!

NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH—Larry Stephey

The Neighborhood Night Out was held at the end of King Arthur Court on Tuesday, October 1. There were some thirty residents attending along with an area deputy from the Seminole County Sheriff Department. It was well coordinated by Felicia and Glen Paredes. Our thanks to them.

Winter Woods continues to be one of the safest neighborhoods in one of the safest counties in Florida. We hope it will always stay that way. However, it won't continue by chance.

Every resident here plays a role in keeping our neighborhood safe. If something you observe or hear seems suspicious, it very well may be. A call to the sheriff non-emergency number (407-665-6650) telling them your concern, could be your next best step.

Law enforcement cannot be everywhere all the time and they depend upon citizens to report activity that could be criminal in nature. They would much rather stop a crime in progress than take the report afterward. You could be the key in making that happen.

If you do see a crime in progress, call 9-1-1.

In any event, please let your block captain or Neighborhood Watch coordinator know of your call and the events that triggered it.

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NATIONAL NIGHT OUT—Felicia Paredes

A big thank you to everyone who joined us for National Night Out! We were welcomed by clear skies and a beautiful, breezy eve. It was great to see so many of you turn out for our largest event yet. Thanks to Gertie & Greg for supplying and manning the popcorn machine which was a nice addition this year. A shout out to the Seminole County Sheriff's Office for their continued support of our event by sending their deputies to Winter Woods to meet the neighbors in our community. We were happy to meet some of our newest neighbors and establish new friendships. A few of us are already planning some get togethers in the coming weeks. We encourage all of you to get out there and meet

your neighbors throughout the year. Let's not wait for just one day in October as neighbors united helps keep our community strong.



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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
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MEMBERSHIP—Nell Colbert

As of October 20th, we have 132 families (46.81%) who are members of the WWHHA. We still have a few streets that are only two or three homes away from 100% - please look through your records and if you have not paid your 2019 dues, please support your homeowner's association by sending in your dues now. And, you can get a jump on 2020 by making your check out for \$50 instead of just \$25 and then you won't have to worry about it in January. Your HOA needs your financial support in order to continue to provide the services we've become accustomed to like this newsletter, community activities like National Night Out, and maintaining our common areas. Many **voluntary** HOA's in our area are charging \$50 or more per year for their memberships and they do not offer a monthly newsletter or the other services we do. Please send your 2019 dues today. Your dues money is money very well spent!

Please make your dues check payable to WWHHA and mail it to:
Winter Woods Homeowners Association
PO Box 342
Goldenrod, FL 32733-0342

If you'd prefer, you can also drop off your check at my home at 1958 poinciana Road. Or you can even pay by credit or debit card or use your PayPal account. Dues are \$25 if paid by check or \$26.50 if paid by credit or debit card or PayPal; the extra \$1.50 is to cover the PayPal/Credit Card processing fee.

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We had one new member join since the last newsletter, Heather Lanham and Daniel Gomez at 1961 King Arthur's Court. Thanks so much for supporting your Homeowners Association and welcome to Winter Woods.

Payments received after October 18th will be shown in the December newsletter. A BIG THANK YOU to all the families who have supported your Association in 2019 – there is still time for you to pay your 2019 dues.

And remember, our annual Christmas holiday decorating contest is coming next month, and you must be a member of the Homeowners Association for 2019 to be eligible to have one of those cute yard signs placed in YOUR yard announcing that your home is one of the best decorated homes in Winter Woods!



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HOLIDAY DECORATIONS JUDGING—Debra Stephey

Holiday Decorations Judging – December 22nd!

The holiday season is almost here! And what is one of the best things about the holidays? Decorating your house and yard and having your residence selected by the Winter Woods Decorations Committee for having the best decorations in the neighborhood!

This year, the decorations committee will be choosing 4 of the “Best Decorated” homes in Winter Woods. You and your home could be a winner in one of the following categories: “The President's Award”, “The Committee's Award”, “Santa's Choice Award” and “Over-The-Top Award”. Award winners in 2018 would need to make substantial improvements to their displays in order to be considered for an award in 2019.

So, decorate your home, and **make certain that your house number can be visualized from the street. Far more important than the decorations contest is the ability of first responders to quickly identify the number of your residence.**

Make sure your holiday lights are on by 6:30 pm on the evening of DECEMBER 22nd (SUNDAY), when the judges will be making their rounds. You must be a member of the Winter Woods Homeowners' Association to be named an award winner! Signs will be placed to recognize the award-winning homes, so if a group of smiling people ring your doorbell that evening, don't run and hide! Please note that the Winter Woods Homeowners' Association no longer awards cash prizes to the winning homes. Have fun, and Happy Holidays to all!

If you haven't joined the Winter Woods Homeowners Association for 2019 yet, please use the form below to send in your check. Please see our Membership update on Page 5 for information on how to pay via credit or debit card or with your PayPal account.

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 mail with this form to WWHA, PO Box 342, Goldenrod, FL 32733-0342.

You may also drop off your form and check at my home (1958 Poinciana Road) if you prefer.

Name _____

Street Address _____

Phone # _____ Email Address _____

Name as you would like it shown in the newsletter _____

Winter Woods Website Gets A Facelift

Hi, I am Bob Colbert and I am helping with the Winter Woods WEB page. Have you looked at it lately? (And lately means after 10/18/19). I have updated the archives of newsletters and they are now all there for the last year and this year (a continuation of what Laura had started). I also have put new things on the calendar and updated the "Yard of the Month" and "National Night Out" galleries.

This is YOUR WEB page, so I am open to ideas. I have a few of my own and will be implementing them as quickly as time allows. BUT the mantra that I handle WEB pages with is: **"A WEB page is only as good as its last update!"**

I won't take up much space here, but come and visit the site at: <http://winterwoodshoa.com> when you have a chance. Don't forget to tell me what you think.

I also want to thank Laura Spears for all of her efforts over the last couple of years to build our website and keep it as current as she could as she deals with some health issues. Thank you, Laura.



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