

WinterWoods

ighborhood Newsletter

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Are YOU a new homeowner or renter in Winter Woods?

Please contact Felicia Paredes at 407-712-4051

felicianagy@yahoo.com for your Welcome Packet.

PRESIDENT'S KORNER

It seems this winter has been tough on some of our Page 2 trees. We have some dead ones now in the neighborhood. Seminole County found some they do want to . remove and as of this writing, they have been marked with bright orange paint, but are yet to be removed.

The trees are Live Oaks and were planted in conjunction with the Winter Woods HOA back in the 1970's. • The tree type was selected because it was fast growing, but it does have a relatively short life span. So, some Page 4 fifty years later we have an issue. Over the past years, • the trees have been problematic because of the sidewalk issues they have caused. The neighborhood will • not be quite the same without them. Perhaps our current residents will plant some new ones, perhaps a species with deeper roots.

We have a small water leak on King James' Court. A resident living on the street noticed a persistent puddle Page 6 in mid-month and called Casselberry Utilities to come look. The street will have to be dug up and the leaking two-inch pipe fixed or replaced. The work should be accomplished by the time this issue of the newsletter is distributed. It would seem, though, that the pipes have the same life span as some of our trees. Keep your • eyes opened for bubbling streets.

The Board has decided on September 18 for our neigh- Page 8 borhood yard sale. We will also try for a Neighborhood • Night Out social gathering on Tuesday, October 5. More details in our next newsletter which will not be until • September. This will be the last edition until then as we will be taking our traditional summer break.

The next meeting of the Winter Woods Homeowners Association Board of Directors will be Thursday, August 12 and we expect to meet, for the first time in more than a year, at a face-to-face meeting at the South Seminole Church of Christ. As usual, our meetings are open, and you would be welcome to attend. We will also have Zoom available for those who may be uncomfortable meeting in person.

If you would like to join the Board, please contact Larry Stephey. The information is listed in this issue.

Have a safe summer.

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Did you receive this newsletter via email?

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

WINTER WOODS NEWS

Yard of the Month



May, 2021
The Larsen Family
1863 Poinciana Road

Congratulations!



Neighborhood Garage Sale—Sept. 18th

Extra time at the house has given everyone a chance to look at their possessions and think "Do I really need this?".

Do you have too much stuff? Do you hold on to things a little too long? Are you mad at that TV show for making Hoarders an ugly word? Do you see a new Public Storage facility and think "that one has nice access"? To get to your second refrigerator do you have to walk sideways past your third fridge that is listed on Let Go? That would be me. Let Go indeed.

On behalf of the HOA, I am pleased to announce help is on its way. The fall Neighborhood Garage Sale will be held on Saturday, September 18th. We will place signs out early that week to let our other neighbors know and we will add more signs on Friday the 17th. The sale will be listed as 8:00 am to 2:00 pm but everyone can choose their own hours – there will be early birds!

We will plan to have another sale in the spring of 2022. If you have any questions or ideas, please contact Anthony Riley at keys137@yahoo.com or (407) 967-6662.

For everyone who is looking to unload some old things, this is for you. If you like what you have, just think of all the new things you can buy! See you at the sale!

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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH—Larry Stephey

There was another license plate issue on Sussex, during the past month and like the bent-up plate on Nottingham, this does show the vulnerability of vehicles parked outside of garages.

The national news media are reporting a rash of catalytic converter thefts happening around the country, but particularly in Texas. That theft can cost the owner or the owner's insurance, more than \$1,000. Security cameras are showing that a vehicle will park close to the target vehicle, and using a battery-operated cutting tool, the perpetrators can remove the converter in less than five minutes. The converters contain some precious metals that can be sold for cash.

These types of crimes can be stopped by observant neighbors. If you see suspicious activity around a neighbor's truck or car, a call to the Seminole Sheriff would be in order. If you are uncertain about it being a crime, you can call the non-emergency number of 407-665-6650 and let the despatcher determine the urgency. They may treat it as a 911 crime in progress emergency.

As noted elsewhere, this will be our last issue until September. Have a safe and crime-free summer. However, it is certainly not a time to let down our collective guards. If you do see and/or report a suspicious event to the Sheriff Department, please don't forget to let Neighborhood Watch know. We may need to send out notices to the remainder of the neighborhood to be on heighten alert.

Larry Stephey Coordinator, Winter Woods Neighborhood Watch



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407-960-0699



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.





MEMBERSHIP—Nell Colbert

Since our last newsletter deadline, we have received seven new memberships, giving us a total of 107 homes or 37.949% of our neighborhood. We understand that right now, some of our residents may still be struggling financially due to the virus and its effects on the economy. If you have paid your dues for this year, THANK YOU!

If you don't remember if you've paid, please don't hesitate to give me a call 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."

If you have not yet paid your dues for 2021, please run your \$25.00 check payable to WWHA by my home at 1958 Poinciana Road, pay using the link below, or mail your check to:

WWHA PO Box 342 Goldenrod, FL 32733-0342

To pay using PayPal or your credit or debit card, just go to our website at www.winterwoodshoa.com and click on the "Official Stuff" tab to find the secure link to pay on-line.

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

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

King Henry's Court 2269 Al and Kathy Baker

King John's Court 2247 Ed Measom

North Hampton Circle 2138 Sandie Parkins

North Hampton Circle
1621 The Barreto Family

Poinciana Road 1863 Sharon Larsen

<u>Sussex Road</u> 2040 The Kuhl Family

West Hampton Circle 2009 Michael Pope

Winter Woods Blvd. 2212 Richard Baril

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WINTER WOODS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION 2021 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

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| Name as you would like it shown in the newsletter | | | | | |

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Winter Woods Homeowners Association 2021 Membership Summary as of 5/20/2021

| STREET | # OF HOUSES | # PAID TO DATE | % PAID TO DATE |
|----------------------|-------------|----------------|----------------|
| | | | |
| Coventry | 12 | 4 | 33% |
| East Hampton Circle | 19 | 5 | 26% |
| Japonica | 19 | 5 | 26% |
| King Alpine's | 11 | 5 | 45% |
| King Arthur's | 9 | 4 | 44% |
| King Charles | 9 | 4 | 44% |
| King Edward's | 8 | 5 | 63% |
| King Henry's | 11 | 5 | 45% |
| King James | 11 | 6 | 55% |
| King John's | 11 | 3 | 27% |
| King Richard's | 9 | 2 | 22% |
| North Hampton Circle | 12 | 4 | 33% |
| Nottingham Drive | 41 | 15 | 37% |
| Poinciana Road | 34 | 14 | 41% |
| Sussex | 44 | 16 | 36% |
| Tamerine | 3 | 1 | 33% |
| West Hampton Circle | 9 | 2 | 22% |
| Winter Woods Blvd. | 10 | 7 | 70% |
| TOTALS | 282 | 107 | 37.94% |

Payments received after May 20th will be shown in the September newsletter as this is our last newsletter until the fall. Thanks to everyone who has already paid dues for 2021. Many of our streets only need a few more members each to achieve 100%. It is not too late to pay your 2021 dues. Thank you in advance for supporting the positive work being accomplished by your Homeowners Association.





HURRICANES DECLARE OPEN SEASON

Welcome to Florida, where the seasons include the "Dry Season," the "Wet Season," and — of course — Hurricane Season! June 1 marks the official start of hurricane season that runs through Nov. 30 and experts are predicting another above-average Atlantic hurricane season: 17 named storms, eight hurricanes and four major hurricanes (Category 3 or higher).

Why are we pointing this out? Many Winter Woods residents are new enough to Florida to have never experienced a hurricane or seen up close the kind of damage caused by high winds. Having a tree fall on your home or being without power for 10+ days is no fun, but it has happened right here!

BE PREPARED! is the Boy Scout motto and we should follow that sage advice. The State of Florida has a Disaster Preparedness Tax Holiday now through June 6th where we can stock up on batteries, generators, tarps, bottled water, and other necessities to help us in an emergency. Another important thing to look at are the trees around our homes, especially the Laurel Oaks planted in the county right-of-way between the sidewalk and the street. If you think that one of these trees near your home might be diseased (or dead/dying) please call Seminole County at 407-665-7623 and ask them to examine the tree. If they determine that a tree needs to come down, the county will arrange for their contractor to remove it at no cost to you, the homeowner. Right now, three dead trees in the neighborhood were brought to your Board's attention; the county was called and they have already marked the trees for removal. It takes several weeks for the contractor to schedule the work, so please look at the trees near your home today and call the county if you feel they could fall during a hurricane. Don't wait until a nasty storm hits and drops the tree on your home ... **BE PREPARED!**

As a professional real estate agent, and fellow neighbor, I know the real value of what our neighborhood offers.

I'd love to offer my services and resources to you, whether you're looking to buy or sell a home

Please call me for a free home valuation or if you're needing just a cup of sugar.



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