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PRESIDENT'S KORNER

You may have seen it in the news, but effective this month, the Seminole County Fire Department will be upgraded to an ISO (Insurance Service Office) Class I designation. To quote from their website

- Effective February 1, 2022, Seminole County homeowners and local business owners may qualify to receive a lower insurance renewal rate as a result of the ISO Class 1 rating earned by the Seminole County Fire Department (SCFD).
- This is the highest possible rating to be received by the Public Protection Classification® from the Insurance Services Office. This rating places SCFD in the top .001% of the more than 40,000 fire departments in the nation rated by ISO.
- The Seminole County Fire Department's top ISO-1* rating means more safety and peace of mind for residents and businesses, as well as possible lower insurance premiums."

They also say "In addition, there are only 10 counties across the country that are ISO-1 rated, with only 3 counties within the state of Florida with this rating. "

They caution that not all insurance companies will recognize the rating and reduce the rates. I am not sure about mine yet.

Elsewhere in this newsletter, there should be a photo and a note regarding our new Yard of the Month sign. The existing sign had been in use for many years and the support posts had rotted away. Board member Anna Swenson volunteered her husband, Eric Obara, to create a new sign for us.

You may remember we posted about Eric in our May 2021 newsletter and the book box he built and placed at the corner of Poinciana and Sussex. He obviously has some excellent woodworking skills. Thanks to them both.

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Welcome To



Are YOU a new homeowner or renter in Winter Woods?

Please see our Website at www.winterwoodshoa.com for our New Resident Welcome Packet.

Did you receive this newsletter via email?

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

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Yard of the Month



January, 2022
The Price Family
2132 Nottingham Drive

Congratulations!

**Have You Paid Your 2022 HOA Dues?
Please send your \$25 check to
Winter Woods Homeowners Assoc.
P.O. Box 342
Goldenrod, FL 32733-0342**

NEW YARD OF THE MONTH SIGN

We have a new Yard of the Month Sign

After years of use and appreciation, our existing Yard of the Month award sign is about to be retired. Our newest WWHA Board member, Anna Swenson, volunteered her husband, Eric Obara, to make a new sign.

Here is a photo of the sign with the originators. The sign, we expect, will be appreciated very much by many other Winter Woods homeowners as they will get a close-up view of the sign on their front lawns.

Our thanks to Eric and Anna.

Thank You!



NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH—Larry Stephey

The most valuable tool of any Neighborhood Watch organization is an alert and concerned neighbor. Knowing your neighbors and their vacation dates could help stop a crime in progress.

Years ago, we used the telephone tree concept where block captains would call other block captains and then call others on their block. We still do maintain a list of residents by block, but the list is not as current as it once was. With email and Internet services, we have better and perhaps faster means of communications. Nevertheless, knowing your neighbor's phone number can be a significant help in an emergency.

Neighborhood Watch within Winter Woods stands ready to help prevent crime by keeping the neighborhood informed of any criminal activity that occurs within our bounds. You can help by letting us know of any crimes in our area.



Larry Stephey
Coordinator
Winter Woods Neighborhood Watch

DON'T FORGET!
PAY YOUR 2022 HOA DUES
BEFORE MARCH 15th
TO BE ELIGIBLE
FOR OUR PIZZA AVENUE
GIFT CERTIFICATE DRAWING!

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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

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MEMBERSHIP—Nell Colbert

We have had wonderful response to our membership drive in just the first 20 days of the New Year – 19.15% of our neighborhood families (54 homes) have already paid their 2022 dues and a few have even jumped ahead and paid 2023 dues! King Edwards Court leads the way with 38% and King Alpines Court is close behind with 36% and Winter Woods Blvd. is right behind them with 30% of their homes paid. Which of our streets will hit 100% first?

Please take a moment right now and write out your check for \$25.00 payable to WWA and drop it in the mail to PO Box 342, Goldenrod, FL 32733-0342 or drop it off at my home at 1958 Poinciana Road. **Please be sure to also send in the remittance slip that includes the line to show how you'd like to be listed in the newsletter as well as your email address and phone number** so that we can keep our neighborhood database up to date.

If you don't want to write a check, you can also pay by credit/debit card or your PayPal account. Just use the link below to pay your dues. Dues are \$25; the extra \$1.50 is to cover the PayPal/Credit Card processing fee. The link below takes you to the Winter Woods website where you will find another link to pay your dues by credit card or your PayPal account.

<https://winterwoodshoa.com/that-official-stuff/>

To pay using your PayPal account, just log in to your account. To pay by credit card, click on the "Subscribe by Debit or Credit card" tab at the bottom of the PayPal screen, just to the left of the PayPal log-in. **Please remember that PayPal automatically creates a recurring payment when you make your initial payment. Please be sure to log back in to your PayPal account and delete the recurring payment.**

AND REMEMBER - WE'RE HAVING A DRAWING FOR PIZZA AVENUE GIFT CERTIFICATES!

That's right – a DRAWING. Those Winter Woods families (**both renters and homeowners**) who pay their 2022 dues **BEFORE MARCH 15th** will be entered in a drawing to receive one of two \$25 gift certificates to Pizza Avenue! That is like getting your 2022 membership for FREE! Anyone who has taken advantage of the coupon in our newsletter knows just how awesome the pizzas at Pizza Avenue are, so DON'T WAIT – PAY YOUR DUES NOW so you have a chance to win. Just use your credit/debit card, drop off your check at 1958 Poinciana Road, or mail your check to:

Winter Woods Homeowners Association
PO Box 342
Goldenrod, FL 32733-0342

As of January 20th, the following residents have paid their 2022 dues to our Homeowners Association:

Coventry

2227 Joyce Nachtsheim Family
2239 Tim & Mary Gregory

East Hampton Circle

2027 Pauline & Richard Galentino

Japonica

1921 John Barkwill
2012 John & Caroline Golsong
2019 Bobbie & Stan Recob

King Alpine's Court

2207 B. Richardson
2214 The Bellia Family
2220 D. B. Ebersole
2225 Juan & Stacey Gonzalez

King Arthur's Court

No New Members This Month

King Charles Court

2210 The Foyil Family
2227 Robert Thollander

King Edwards Court

2260 Paul Bock
2266 Renzo & Britton Nastasi
2275 John & Carolyn Livera and Michelle

King Henry's Court

2251 Jim & Tina Robertson
2276 Earl & Tina Maier
2245 Amber, Ed, Remington, & Sarah

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King James Court

2250 James & Pauling Weingarten
2253 Charles DeCosa

King John's Court

2253 J. Rosenstock

King Richard's Court

2217 Margot Baker

North Hampton Circle

2119 The Jones Family
2132 Edward & Ashana Stojic

Nottingham

1459 Judy & Kari Baker
1534 Don & Karen Christie
1535 The Pettus Family
1604 Jerold & Ruth Loos
2115 The Mattox Family
2155 Jennifer Cotterill DeBauche

Poinciana

1816 Mike & Ashley Costello
1863 Gary & Sharon Larsen
1887 Frances Freeman
1958 Bob & Nell Colbert
1965 Allison Freeze Family

2066 Devin Schneider Family
2089 Anthony Riley & Laura Spear
2097 Rich & Maureen Rabazinski
2245 Robert Poe

Sussex

2015 Al & Altamae Pierick
2017 Russ & Anne Corriveau
2032 The Baker Family
2033 Joe Allen & Marilyn Lea
2036 Peggy & Paul Klein
2040 Dave and Carey Kuhl
2044 Richard Drexel
2095 Charles & Valerie Coleman
2166 Larry & Debra Stephey
2177 Michael & Maria Miltonberger
2185 Steven & Carolyn Lavender

Tamerine

No New Members This Month

West Hampton Circle

2018 Brittany Borda Family

Winter Woods Blvd.

2200 Ken Bates
2213 Daniel Sercombe Family
2231 Ljubo & Zehra Milanovic

Payments received after January 20th will be shown in the March newsletter. Thanks to everyone who has already paid their dues for 2022.



WINTER WOODS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION 2022 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 _____

NEWSLETTER DELIVERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Have ever considered volunteering for the Winter Woods community? I have a great opportunity for you. You get fresh air and a little exercise for just about 30 minutes each month of your time, hand-delivering about 20 of these newsletters to your nearby neighbors.

The Winter Woods Neighborhood Newsletter is delivered to all the residents by a group of volunteers who share the belief that this newsletter belongs to everyone.

I'd like to think this newsletter is one of the many things that connects us as a community here in Winter Woods. We're looking for just a few volunteers like you to join the ranks of our delivery crew.

Delivering the newsletter is good exercise, a real chance to say hello and meet new neighbors and something you can convince your family is a civic responsibility. If you can't commit to delivering every month, perhaps you'd consider filling in on an as-needed basis. Any help will be greatly appreciated.

Please consider becoming a volunteer and contact Anthony Riley at keys137@yahoo.com or (407) 967-6662.

QR CODES AND THE DANGERS THEY POSE

Have you visited a nice restaurant recently? In an effort to reduce the costs involved with handing each customer a one-use only paper menu, many restaurants have gone to using QR codes so their diners can view the restaurant's entire menu on their phone. Restaurants are not the only establishments that have gone to using QR Codes—look in the aisles at your pharmacy or other retail outlets and you'll see signs with QR codes so you can get more information about a product or store.

BUT, there is a danger in just scanning the code at the table or on the sign at the store! Cybercriminals have figured out how popular QR Codes have become and they are placing stickers over top of the restaurant (or other merchant) QR Codes with one of their own that contains malware. The FBI is warning that cybercriminals have tampered with QR codes to steal consumers' login, financial information and money.

QR codes — technically, **Q**uick **R**esponse codes — are black-and-white squares and can be found just about everywhere. They've grown increasingly common during the pandemic, cybersecurity professionals say, as coronavirus fears have triggered a demand for touchless transactions. You can show a QR code on your smartphone screen to board an airplane or enter a sporting event, or use your phone's camera to scan a code to learn when the next bus is due. The codes also appear in direct-mail ads and at retail outlets.

The FBI has advised:

- Do not download an app from a QR code; instead use your phone's app store.
- Do not download a QR code scanner app. Most phones have a built-in scanner in their cameras.
- If you recently bought something and you receive an email saying the payment failed and are asked to complete the payment through a QR code, call the company to verify this. Locate the company's phone number from a trusted site, not the phone number given in the email.
- If you believe your funds have been stolen from an altered QR code, contact your local FBI field office.

Thanks to AARP for providing some of the information used in this article.

For more information see:

<https://www.aarp.org/money/scams-fraud/info-2021/qr-codes.html?intcmp=AE-FRDSC-MOR-R2-POS3>




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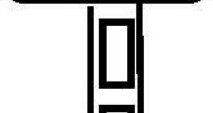



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