

ighborhood Newsletter 

2022 **Board of Directors** 

> President Larry Stephey

**Vice President Greg Pfister** 

**Secretary Debra Stephey** 

Treasurer **Nell Colbert** 

**Board Members Bob Colbert Nell Colbert Gerty Ekdahl** Joe Gmerek **Audrey Musca James Musca Greg Pfister Anthony Riley Debra Stephey** Larry Stephey Anna Swenson

Website http:// www.winterwoodshoa.com

Facebook **WinterWoodsHOANews** 



## PRESIDENT'S KORNER

It appears that most of us made it through Hurricane Nicole unscathed. For the first time since 2004 no power outages were reported due to the hurricane on Sussex. Others, I think weren't so lucky.

More debris now is at the curbside, but progress is being made to remove it. Our routine yard waste pickups Page 3 on Wednesday are once again an issue. After lan, we • went for four weeks without a pickup. Please report your missed pickups to the Seminole County Solid • Waste. It can be done with a phone call or an email.

We now have four applications for rebuilding our Yard of the Month sign. We hoped to make some preliminary reviews at November's Board meeting, but it didn't work • out. We hope to have a builder selected soon.

The grass circles along Winter Woods Blvd. are once again at issue. As noted previously, the circles were built by the Winter Woods developer, but deeded to the County. Seminole County has made it clear that it is not going to maintain them. Neither will the apartments to the north or the business center to the south. There is some sentiment that residents in Winter Woods may adopt the maintenance as a "project." There should be Page 7 other notes in this or January's newsletter.

Joe Gmerek, a long time Winter Woods resident and a current member of the WWHOA Board, has decided to leave our Board at the end of this year. Joe has been on and off the Board over the past forty plus years and Page 8 has been a major contributor to the well being of Winter . Woods. Thanks Joe.

Our newest Board member is Shannon Ward, elected at the General Membership meeting in October. We still have room for more if you seek to be a key member of the Winter Woods community.

This newsletter has been and continues to be an important function of the Winter Woods Homeowners As-It allows the HOA to communicate inforsociation mation vital to our community and the safety of our residents. Thanks to all the HOA members who contribute their \$25 to make it all possible.

Have a safe and happy holiday season.

Larry Stephey, President

## December 2022

## Inside this Issue:

### Page 2

- Yard of the Month
- **Christmas Decora**tions Contest

- Neighborhood Watch
  - Winter Woods Neighborhood Clean -up

### Page 4

- Advertisina Information
- Towns' Garden
- Center

### Page 5

Membership

### Page 6

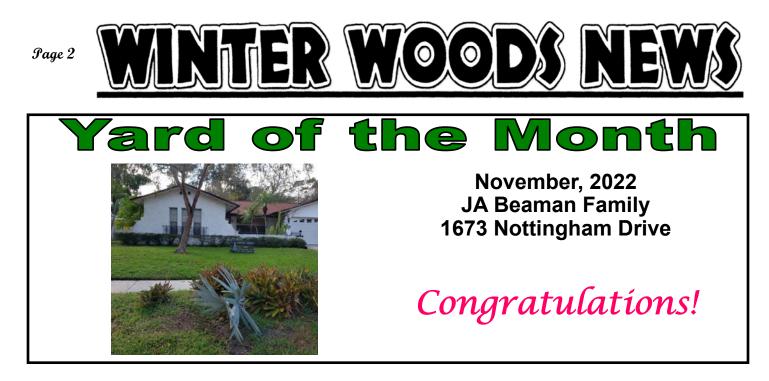
**Membership** 

- Yard Sale Recap
- Love is a Rose
- Memory & Brain Health

- Winter Woods Directorv Assistance
- Pizza Avenue With Coupon

## **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.



## Have You Paid Your 2022 HOA Dues?

# **HOLIDAY DECORATIONS**—Debra Stephey

The holiday season is here! And one of the best things about the holidays is enjoying the Winter Woods' homes and yards brightly decorated for the holidays!

This year the Decorations committee will again solicit nominations for the four best decorated homes from all residents. Winter Woods residents may send their nominations by email to: <u>dastephey@yahoo.com</u> Send all nominations by December 16.

Please have your decorations and lights on by 6:30 pm on Sunday, December 18. Decorations committee members will view the neighborhood, including the nominated homes, beginning at 6:30 pm on December 18 to determine the four award winning homes. Signs will be placed to recognize the award-winning homes. Residents must have paid 2022 WWHA dues to receive one of the four award winning signs. Please note that the Winter Woods Homeowners' Association does not award cash prizes to the winning homes.

Decorate your home and yard 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.

Happy Holidays to all! Debra Stephey





Fage 3

# **NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH—Larry Stephey**

As usual this month, we caution neighbors about the rise of crime during the holidays. It is dark, people are busy and distracted, and possibly more vulnerable to a criminal attack. Please stay aware.

There has been no recent report of criminal activity in the neighborhood. There have been some ongoing code enforcement issues, and these are being addressed. As a reminder, our previous sheriff, Don Eslinger, combined Seminole County code enforcement with his sheriff office for community convenience. He noted that many of his calls for service involved code violation issues and the deputies were then able to report that directly to the appropriate code enforcement officials.

Please remember that Neighborhood Watch is only as good as the observations and communications of the neighborhood. If you see or hear something which makes you uncomfortable, you can have a deputy stop by and investigate by calling 407-665-6650. You call allows them to stop and speak with an individual the deputy may not otherwise have the authorization to do.

Observing a crime in progress or other emergency justifies a call to 9-1-1.

Please be safe and watch for your neighbor as you would have them watch for you.

## WINTER WOODS COMMUNITY CLEAN-UP—Anthony Riley



The responsibility of maintaining the islands on Winter Woods Blvd. near the entrance of our neighborhood from 436 has long been a topic of discussion for the HOA Board. Attempts to secure an agreement with the businesses along that road to share the maintenance responsibility have not been successful.



As we work toward a more permanent solution,

we are initiating a **volunteer Neighborhood Clean-up Group** to meet once a month to shape up the entrance. <u>All Winter Woods residents are invited to gather on the second Saturday of the month at 10:00 am at the large circle on Winter Woods Blvd near Nottingham Dr.</u> If you would like to participate, bring your gloves and any portable tool you use in your own garden.

<u>Our first cleanup on December 10 at 10 am</u> will focus on weeds and overgrown grass and any general beautification we can apply.

If anyone has any questions or ideas, please contact Anthony Riley - 407 967 6662 and <u>keys137@yahoo.com</u>.

## Hope to see you there!





Tage 4



# **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.





**Page 5** 

# MEMBERSHIP—Nell Colbert

The "Three Wise Guys and Gals" are coming soon to judge our holiday decorations and you must be a WWHA member in order to be named one of Winter Woods' "best dressed" homes holiday season. While we do not give out any cash prizes for the award winners of the contest, you will get to have a very attractive winners sign placed in your yard through the holiday season.

2022 has been a better year for HOA membership; as of 11/20 we have surpassed our 2021 membership and currently sit at 126 or 44.68% of our neighborhood has joined the association for this year. We've also had quite a few people already pay for 2023! I would like to encourage those who have not yet joined for 2022 to send in your check for \$25 today so that your beautiful decorations can be included in the contest. And, if you want to get a jump on 2023, make that check out for \$50 to cover 2022 and 2023. You can even pay using your credit or debit card or your PayPal account if you prefer. 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. To pay via PayPal, just go to our website and click on:

https://winterwoodshoa.com/that-official-stuff/ and then click on Pay Your Homeowners Association Dues. To pay using your PayPal account, just log in. To pay by credit card, click on the "Pay by Debit or Credit card" tab at the bottom of the PayPal screen, just below the PayPal log-in.

As we mention periodically, very few neighborhoods in the area have annual dues as low as ours and it's a small price to pay for all the benefits we receive like the monthly newsletter, maintenance of our common areas, our Neighborhood Night Out event in October, our Halloween Decorating Contest, and our holiday home decorating contest in December. Your Homeowners Association also goes to bat for our neighborhood. Have you ever noticed pot holes being filled in, sidewalks and street lights being repaired? That's your Homeowners Association looking out for our neighborhood! Your Association monitors our streets and lighting needs and makes the calls necessary to get needed repairs done. Please support your Association by sending in your dues.

If you haven't joined the WWHA yet, please consider the benefits you receive and send in your check today. *It's never too late to support YOUR neighborhood Homeowners Association!* 

Please make your \$25.00 check payable to WWHA and mail it to:

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

Any payments received after November 20<sup>th</sup> will be shown in the January newsletter.

Thanks to the following families who paid for 2022 since the last newsletter: See list on Page 6

WINTER WOODS HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION 2022 MEMBERSHIP						
Please complete the information below so that our membership records will be complete. Please make your <b>\$25.00</b> check payable to <b>WWHA</b> 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						



# **MEMBERSHIP CONT'D FROM PAGE 5**

<u>KING ARTHURS COURT</u> 1964 Glenn & Felicia Paredes

KING CHARLES COURT2227Robert Thollander (2023)2234Zack Gilmore & Val Solomon

KING JAMES COURT 2241 The Tracey Neville Family

### NOTTINGHAM

1417 Sherrie Daughtry 1809 John Molinari & Jennifer Off (2023)

It's not too late to pay your dues for this year so your home can be considered for the best dressed holiday homes contest! Please remember – we need the support of every homeowner <u>and renter</u> to be able to meet the financial needs of your association.

Our membership drive for 2023 will officially begin in January. Please be sure to include your phone number and email address on the remittance slip so that we can update our membership database. Winter Woods HOA membership runs the calendar year from January through December and not year to year based on when your dues are paid; dues become due for 2023 as of January 1<sup>st</sup> for everyone.

STREET	# OF HOUSES	# PAID TO DATE	% PAID TO DATE	
Coverta	40		050/	
Coventry	12	3	25%	
East Hampton Circle	19	6	32%	
Japonica	19	6	32%	
King Alpine's	11	6	55%	1 2ª
King Arthur's	9	3	33%	
King Charles	9	4	44%	
King Edward's	8	8	100%	
King Henry's	11	5	45%	SHOW PLAN
King James	11	7	64%	4 1 1
King John's	11	4	36%	
King Richard's	9	3	33%	1.
North Hampton Circle	12	5	42%	
Nottingham Drive	41	18	44%	
Poinciana Road	34	17	50%	37
Sussex	44	19	43%	
Tamerine	3	2	67%	
West Hampton Circle	9	3	33%	Shiller
Winter Woods Blvd.	10	7	70%	
				ST.
TOTALS	282	126	44.68%	TAM









Tage 7

# YARD SALE RECAP—Anthony Riley



Even a hurricane could not slow down the residents of Winter Woods in their determination to clean their closets and garages to make a little extra holiday cash during the WWHOA Fall Garage sale on October 12. This fall, 13 families participated, a little lower than usual. However, traffic was high, and many participants were happy with their efforts. The HOA provided new signage to promote the sale in advance and during the sale. Plus, additional effort on social media including

Craigslist, Next Door, and 5 garage sale apps helped drive traffic. Factors in successful advertising were multiple address listings and specific keyword descriptions like clothing, bicycles, or musical instruments.

For the next sale participants will have the opportunity to provide their location in advance along with any items they may want to feature to attract customers. This will assist in the best sign placements and entice buyers on the social posts. Start getting ready now for our Spring garage sale in March with more information to come soon!



**Family Caregiver** 

Program

Memory Care

Program

HOW TO SCHEDULE AN

Call (321) 247-7063

OR

Visit our website at

www.mymemoryclinic.org

**APPOINTMENT:** 



Page 8 WINTER WOODS NEWS

# WINTER WOODS DIRECTORY ASSISTANCE

BOARD OFFICERS							
President	Larry Stephey	407-657-7309	ldstephey@yahoo.com				
Vice President	Greg Pfister	407-375-8429	greg9794@yahoo.com				
Secretary	Debra Stephey	407-657-7309	dastephey@yahoo.com				
Treasurer	Nell Colbert	321-303-7445	necolbert@usa.net				
NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH							
Coordinator	Larry Stephey	407-657-7309	ldstephey@yahoo.com				
OTHER SUPPORT							
Membership	Nell Colbert	321-303-7445	necolbert@usa.net				
Streets & Lighting	Greg Pfister	407-375-8429	greg9794@yahoo.com				
Community Improvements	Gerty Ekdahl	407-375-9574	minnie2312@aol.com				
Newsletter Editor	Nell Colbert	321-303-7445	necolbert@usa.net				
Newsletter Distribution Coordinator	Anthony Riley	407-967-6662	keys137@yahoo.com				
Yard of the Month	Greg Pfister	407-375-8429	greg9794@yahoo.com				
Webmaster	Bob Colbert	407-619-9611	bcolbert@usa.net				
Welcome to Winter Woods	Anna Swenson	407-484-4782	annaswenson5@gmail.com				
<u>EVENTS</u>							
Garage Sale	Anthony Riley	407-967-6662	keys137@yahoo.com				
Christmas Decorations	Debra Stephey	407-657-7309	dastephey@yahoo.com				
Halloween Decorations	Anna Swenson	407-484-4782	annaswenson5@gmail.com				

