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FROM THE DESK OF ANTHONY RILEY

It is safe to say Summer is upon us. I know this because the chirping birds have been replaced by lawnmowers and work crews doing their part to make the neighborhood look better. It's always exciting to see the home improvement projects pop-up around the neighborhood this time of year.

Traditionally the board takes the summer off. There are no board meetings and we do not publish the newsletter.

This year we are making the bold move of continuing the newsletter – electronically! The e-version is always available on the website, a link on the Winter Woods Facebook group or Nell will email you a copy – if she has your email address. To make sure you get the e-newsletter send an email to necolbert@usa.net and she will add you to the list and send you a special gift – the e-newsletter.

The benefit of the special summer editions of the e-newsletter is that we can send you the latest information about the events of the summer plus all the advertisers (thank you advertisers) will get two more chances for exposure – for free!

One of the events coming up will be a Special Second Saturday Cleanup of our now famous Winter Woods Blvd entrance circle foliage. Some of the current plants will need to be replaced and we are going to need help to get that circle ready for the fall. Stayed tuned for details.

Don't forget to check out our Meet the Neighbors article this month featuring Felicia & Glenn. Last year they graciously allowed the HOA to put a bounce house on their yard for the fall social event. Maybe this year we can put a hot air balloon ride in your yard!

Membership is ahead of last year and if we break 50%, I will shave my head. And by that, I mean my dog's head, it is summer.

As my first turn as HOA president approaches our summer break, I want to thank the entire board for their support and enthusiasm to jump in on their areas of expertise and I applaud their valuable contributions.

Plus, thank you to all the neighbors who stepped forward to participate in neighborhood activities throughout the year. Whether you posted your pawed pets on Facebook, shared some Easter fun with a neighbor, decorated for Halloween or Christmas, pitched in on the neighborhood entrance beds, or did something one on one for a neighbor – they all help create a warm and friendly community.

Let's keep this going through the summer and into the Fall! Happy Summer!

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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 so that you can be added to our resident database.

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Yard of the Month



May, 2023
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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH—Larry Stephey

As should be noted elsewhere, this is our last printed and hand delivered issue of the Winter Woods News before we take our summer break. Aside from issues with squatters and a fight on a lawn, our reported crimes continue to make Winter Woods one of the safest neighborhoods in one of the safest counties in Florida.

This is no reason to let our guard down, though. Crime reports just to our south in Orange County continue to be elevated with shootings and robberies reported almost every day.

Not only do we need to “watch” we need to be ready to “report” possible crimes in progress and suspicious incidents to the proper authorities and then to Neighborhood Watch.

School is now out so safe driving in our neighborhood is required. Much of the unsafe driving we see is from cut through traffic, but not all of it. Please don't be responsible for making our neighborhood less safe.

Have a safe summer.

BTW, the previously refenced drainage ditch repair near the intersection of Tamerine and Sussex now appears to be complete.

ENGLISH ESTATES NEW STUDENTS

Attention Winter Woods Families!

Are your kids starting school at English Estates Elementary this Fall, whether enrolling in kindergarten for the first time, or in a higher grade? Or for students currently enrolled, maybe you're considering letting them ride the bus? Navigating the SCHOOL community is so much easier with support from your NEIGHBORHOOD community! If you'd like to meet and make connections with other English Estates families in Winter Woods, please reach out to me. We have a network that shares news and information, coordinates volunteer work, and of course, gets Winter Woods kids together for fun outside of school!

Anna
407.484.4782



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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.

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- 1/4 page - \$ 15.00 (3 3/4"w x 4 3/4"l)
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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
- October issue—15September
- November issue—15October
- December issue—10November

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MEMBERSHIP—Nell Colbert

Since our last newsletter deadline, we have received seven new memberships, giving us a total of 121 homes or 42.91% of our neighborhood. THANK YOU for supporting 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."

If you have not yet paid your dues for 2023, 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:

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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:

Coventry

2238 David Armstrong
2244 Shae Friou (2023 & 2024)
2245 Betty Mathis

King Edwards Court

2270 The Orr's

Nottingham Drive

1911 A. Zufari

Japonica

1942 Patty & Lusinda Duffy

Poinciana Road

2251 Vince & Lisa Santamaria

Payments received after May 20th will be shown in the July newsletter. NOTE – as Anthony mentioned, we are going to produce newsletters for July and August this year as an experiment. The summer editions will not be printed and delivered as we do not want newsletters lying around while families are out of town on vacation. You'll be able to find the summer editions on our Facebook Group page, on our website, and they will be emailed to everyone for whom we have an email address. If you are not receiving the newsletter by email already, please send an email to our editor at winterwoodshoa@gmail.com to be added to our distribution list.

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Meet William Vega:

A REALTOR & AUTISM SPECIALIST

William Vega is a experienced realtor whom provides real estate services services to families with a member on the autism spectrum. When selling or purchasing a home, families or individuals may often require specialized information and assistance during this process. William provides a welcoming environment for parents of children with autism spectrum disorder to ask questions and receive support during the selling or home buying process with high-quality expertise that reduces their stress and gets them a better overall outcome.

Fulfilling A Customer's Special Needs

Realtors main job is to help customers with their real estate needs. What about those people who may have particular needs. How may realtors help them? Fortunately, William can help people make their home purchase more acceptable to every family member. He does everything he can to point his customers in a direction that will help them make the right decision based on their needs. One of these particular needs is helping those families with relatives who have Autism.

During the real estate process, William gathers all the information available and then a detailed assessment is completed by Christine Luzuriaga, a Developmental Speech-Language Pathologist, Board-Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst, and Certified Autism Specialist. The process includes not only the person affected with Autism, but the family as a whole and it's unique dynamic. William ensures that he continues to work with the family even after the process is completed. He uses professionals to determine if the needs found during the assessment were achieved, and if they need to adjust once the family is in.



Dedicated Realtor

Children with Autism do not like change. So William dedicates to using specialized social "stories" and visual aids to help the child become a part of the solution and gain an understanding of the changes to come.



Did You Know?

Home buyers with members on the spectrum are an emerging force in today's market. There are currently 1.5 million individuals that have been diagnosed with autism spectrum disorders (or ASDs) in the United States, 80% of them under the age of 22.

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Meet Your Neighbor—By Anna Swenson



Meet Your Neighbors – Felicia and Glenn on King Arthur's Ct. We weren't able to sit down for an interview, but they graciously answered our questions via email!

Introduction

These two were destined to find each other. Felicia & Glenn were orbiting each other since childhood. Both grew up in neighboring towns in Connecticut and both lived in South Florida at the same time. In fact, Felicia could see the restaurant Glenn managed from her condo balcony. It wasn't until an old friend from Felicia's Sea World days, who started football Sundays at his house, did these two collide. Felicia wanted to steal his 100 lb Rottie/Lab mix, instead she got Glenn, the dog and a feisty orange tabby named Cheese with the package. They have been together since 2011 and married since 2014.

What do you think makes Winter Woods such a great neighborhood?

Neighbors that care. Even though we don't have a traditional HOA that enforces their own codes, our neighbors care about their homes and it shows. I love seeing the new folks move in and start their own renovation journey. It's also nice to walk around and be greeted and acknowledged, people for the most part are welcoming.

Have you made any notable updates/renovations to your house?

It was actually Glenn that saw the potential in our house. It was trapped in the 70's...mirrored walls and all. Proud to say our 1969 oven is still kicking. Our biggest upgrades aren't glamorous: we had to replace the AC system, put up vinyl fencing and recently put on a new roof. Inside, we put down hardwoods, lots of paint/lighting/trim/doors, and next on the list is a new pool filter, garage doors and sod. The joys of homeownership never end. Most days you can catch us enjoying our pool and spacious backyard...the part that sold me.

What would you like to see more of from the neighborhood or HOA?

Having been a past HOA President that helped bring Winter Woods the Facebook page and website, I am grateful to see the Facebook group growing in members and engagement.

Tell us about your pets!

We have a goofy adopted Rhodesian Ridgeback mix named Jax...if you walk by our house, I am sure you hear him in protection mode...and our house boss, the 15-year-old orange tabby named The Cheese (named by our niece due to his coloring).

Tell us about your work!

Glenn started out in restaurants, even owning his own at one point and then transitioned to construction including working for Masterbrand Cabinets, Stevens Kitchens in Oviedo and most recently with Crawford Plumbing building student housing out at UCF. Felicia spent 15 combined years at Sea World and Disney, 8 years in residential construction on the project management side, 7 years in automotive marketing and finally found her calling. You can find her most days at their holistic spa, The Salt Room Oviedo, a passion project of theirs, wanting to bring holistic healing to our friends and neighbors.

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What do you like to do for fun?

When we can find the time (and someone to mind the animals), we love to travel. We were blessed with a honeymoon in Hawaii, and close to home we love finding off the beaten path spots in Florida and Georgia. Our dream is to travel to Italy spending time on the Amalfi Coast.

What local shops and restaurants do you visit frequently?

As small business owners, we love to support local. We love Twisted Root, Grounding Roots, Pannulo's, Chifon Bakery in Winter Springs, shopping on Park Ave, Stasio's Italian Deli in the Milk District and Hanalei Shave Ice and Buttermilk Bakery in the Mills District.

What shows are you watching now?

We love dramas/crime shows, Jack Ryan, The Rookie, The Company You Keep and sitcoms including Ghosts, The Neighborhood, and Home Economics.

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STREETS & LIGHTING—Greg Pfister

Streets: No known issues at this time. My summer homework is to communicate with Seminole County Roads and see if we can get Poinciana repaved!!!

Lights: No current issues!! Happy Face!!

Sidewalks: Work is completely on 2087 Sussex, and the markers n tape are removed in that area.

Trees: Seminole County Roads Dept. has been in the neighborhood and has marked, then removed, a few diseased trees. If you have a tree located in the county right-of-way near your home that looks diseased, the county will remove it at no cost to you if it is deemed to be a public safety hazard.

Let's keep an eye on our roadways as schools will be out very soon and bike ridership, walkers , etc. will be increased on our streets, so be on the lookout, be safe, and respect others. Speed limits are posted in our neighborhood but if you don't see one the speed limit in a residential area is 25 mph. FYI

Thanks Greg and Gerty Pfister

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