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Are YOU a new homeowner or renter in Winter Woods?

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FROM THE DESK OF ANTHONY RILEY

February, the month of the heart. As Romeo says: "But, soft, what light through yonder window breaks?" and Juliet responds, "the wistful glow of my cell phone". The apps are hard to shake.

I want to give a note of thanks to the volunteers that made the holiday light contest possible, Deb the captain and fellow sharp eye reviewers Larry, Laura, and Megan. I know this recognition is not too late because there are still holiday lights up. Notably the Star Wars etc. extravaganza around the corner. Pro-tip, the lines are shorter on weekday nights late, I rode that thing three times one night.

There are a lot of events and things happening in our neighborhood:

- The world sure could use a little more positive vibes these days and our February neighborhood activity will be sending hugs around.
- The entrance circle is approaching a make-over and make a note on your calendar for the Spring Neighborhood Garage Sale on March 9th.
- The wheels are spinning for our Neighborhood Spring Event. We are planning to gear this one toward the Page 9 adults and still welcome the youngsters with their own • happenings. The board is narrowing the specifics and a shout out to Theresa for the great suggestions. I'm Page 10 excited to announce the big shindig details next month.

Look for more information on the WW Facebook group. Our page is Winter Woods HOA News, please join.

Dues, Dues, Dues. We have unraveled the mystery as to why some neighbors have not yet paid their extraordinarily reasonable \$25 membership dues. They think they already did! The auto-pay self-renewal option on PayPal has been disabled. For a while now. If you believe you have already paid through the modern convenience of technology, there's a chance you have not. Email WinterWoodsHOA@gmail.com to find out your status or ask any other questions. We are still pushing to get maximum participation by the end of March.

Everyone is welcome to come to an HOA meeting at 7:30 pm on the second Thursday every month at South Seminole Church of Christ on Lake Howell Rd or online via zoom. Thank you to the additional members that attended this last meeting. Email winterwoodshoa@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

Enjoy February, spring is coming and as the young pair knew...Parting is such sweet sorrow.

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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



January, 2024 The Perkins Family 1565 Nottingham

Congratulations!

Have You Paid Your 2024 HOA Dues?



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NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH—Larry Stephey

With the Winter Woods HOA membership drive ongoing, it is important to remember that Neighborhood Watch is a part of and funded by the HOA. This newsletter is fundamental to notification of any and all crimes that Winter Woods might experience. Fortunately, those crimes are few and far be-

Crime rates are higher in other parts of Seminole County and much higher in Orange County, just to our south. Part of it is luck and part of it is our watchfulness, but we probably will not be as crime free forever. If and when crime strikes, Neighborhood Watch, using the facilities provided by the HOA, will get the word out and step up patrols or do what is necessary to stop crimes before they occur.

Nothing can damage the value of your now, very expensive, home more than excess crime in the neighborhood. The \$25 per year contribution to the Winter Woods HOA is a very small price to pay to help prevent those value reducing crimes from occurring.

NEED A HUG—Anna Swenson



Love your neighbors? Love Winter Woods? Then let's spread that love this Valentine's Day season with a neighborhood game of "You've Been Hugged!" Check the Winter Woods website and Facebook page for more details on how to join the game!

STREETS & LIGHTING—Greg Pfister

The 6 lights out on Winter Woods Blvd. are back up except for one we are still working on.

A big group lights on Semoran near our entrances are about 90% fixed. DOT is working on these not Duke....

The pothole on Japonica and Poinciana are repaired. Potholes on Lake Howell Rd in Front of St. Richards Episcopal Church are repaired.

Sidewalks and rainwater runways that have been previously called in are starting to get fixed!!

There are road improvements coming this year and as many of you know because of the landscape disrupting crews, the neighborhood is getting fiber optic internet via AT&T. There is some necessary intrusion for the installation, but they are committed to restoration as best as possible.

I have a couple more to get called in...

Drive safely Greg Pfister WW HOA V.P.



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:

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1/2 page - \$ 25.00 (7 3/4"w x 4 3/4"l or 3 3/4"w x 9 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

QUESTIONS—Contact the editor at 321.303.7445 or email necolbert@usa.net.





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January 1 - March 31,2024

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Join your neighbors and become a member today!



"We are members of the WWHOA because this is our home and our community. This small fee helps set community standards that maintain property values, while increasing community engagement."

-Rich and Maureen Rabazinski on Poinciana Road



"I choose to be a Winter Woods HOA member because driving in and seeing our well-kept signage brings me so much joy!"

-Megan on Sussex Road



"We are more than happy to give to the HOA because we know some of it is going towards 'fun' things that help bring our neighbors together. The more neighbors we all know, the safer our neighborhood will become."

-Tim Olson on East Hampton Circle

Questions? Go to the website and click on 'Official Stuff' or email WinterWoodsHOA@gmail.com

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CBD Valentine BOGO!

Happy New Year!

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For Winter Woods Residents

Do you plan on traveling soon?

In need of someone to watch over your pup while you're away? (Feed, walk, or check on?)

Looking for a friendly & reliable dog walker located in the neighborhood?

LOOK NO FURTHER!

Zuzana is the perfect person for the job.





Meet Your Neighbor—By Anna Swenson



Meet Malerie and JC Robinson on Poinciana Rd!

JC and Malerie met on a dating app in March of 2019 and after a whirlwind romance, they married later that year. Malerie's French bull-

dog Tucker and JC's chocolate lab Kallie have become the best of friends, and when their daughter Cambri was born, their family was complete!

Malerie and JC are both Florida natives and never plan on moving away! Malerie

grew up in St. Cloud then went on to earn a Bachelor of Science from UF and a Masters in Health Administration from UCF. She is the Executive Director of CORE- Center Of Recovery & Exercise in Altamonte Springs and helps people with paralysis or other neurological conditions maximize their rehabilitation, health, and fitness. JC grew up in Maitland and is currently a project manager for Weller Pools, where he



specializes in large, commercial pools and aquatic projects for hotels, resorts, waterparks, and more!



When they're not working, Malerie and JC love spending time on their boat, cruising around the Winter Park Chain of Lakes (with a stop at Dog Island, of course) and the St. John's River. They also love the beach, country music concerts, and Gator football. JC even carves out time to play bass and acoustic guitar, and Malerie enjoys spending time working out at the Winter Park YMCA. When they're not out on adventures, you can find JC and Malerie listening to music at home or enjoying their favorite shows like Real Housewives (or anything on Bravo), Reacher, and Silo. They also enjoy local restaurants and breweries like Ravenous Pig, Garp and Fuss, Ten 10 Brewing, and Ivanhoe Park Brewing Company.

JC moved to Winter Woods in 2018. He thought it was a great location, close to everything, and most importantly, "my boat fits in the garage". The plumbing, electrical, and floors were new at the time, but JC and Malerie have undertak-

en a number of other home renovations. Inside, they built a bar and breakfast nook in the kitchen. Outside, they've replaced the roof, removed the rock landscaping, and added plants, sod, and irrigation. They're thinking about tackling cabinets next and have their eyes on both a small addition and a pool in the future.

The Robinsons love meeting all the young families in Winter Woods and the great schools in the area. They believe the HOA is on the right path helping to build a community and are looking forward to meeting even more neighbors at events in the future! If you see JC, Malerie, and Cambri playing outside or taking a walk with Tucker and Kallie, stop and say hello!



FREE & LOW COST STUFF TO DO—Laura Spear

It's winter time in Central Florida! Time to get out of doors and enjoy the lovely weather.

49th Annual Mount Dora Arts Festival

Saturday Feb 3, 9 am-5 pm and Sunday, Feb 4, 9 am - 4 pm

510 N. Baker St, Mount Dora

Charming Mount Dora is a city of festivals, and this signature fest attracts 250,000 for top art, food and entertainment. FREE

www.mountdoraart.com

Touch a Truck

Kicking off Florida Severe Weather Awareness Week presented by Seminole County Emergency Management

Saturday, Feb 3, 10 am - 2 pm

Sanford Riverwalk at the Marina (E Seminole Blvd and Palmetto Ave)

This FREE public event will help individuals & families prepare for severe weather events & other related disasters.

Kids and families can check out the trucks, boats, helicopters, and heavy equipment local agencies use to respond to severe weather and other disasters.

www.prepareseminole.org

Fort Christmas Park

Historic Buildings: open daily, 9 am - 4 pm, including holidays

1300 N Fort Christmas Rd, Christmas, FL

Fort Christmas was built in present-day Christmas, Florida during the Second Seminole War. Construction began on December 25, 1837, with the arrival of 2,000 U.S. Army soldiers and Alabama volunteers. Named Fort Christmas because they began building on Christmas Day, the park includes a replica of a fort built in 1837; a traditional Florida "Cracker" house and eight pioneer homes; a schoolhouse and lunchroom; a sugar cane mill and other historical farming equipment. FREE

Note: There is a special event on Feb 3 so access to the park may be limited that day.

www.orangecountyfl.net

Big Tree Park

Park open daily 8 am - dusk

761 General Hutchison Parkway, Longwood

The park is a step back in time and a popular tourist destination. Walk through a natural hydric hammock swamp as you make your way on the boardwalk to the former site of "The Senator": an approximately 3,500-year-old National Champion Bald Cypress Tree that was lost to fire in January of 2012. A memorial has since been developed and includes interpretive signage along the newly renovated boardwalk, a playground piece that mimics a bald cypress tree stump and a clone of "The Senator" that was planted near the playground. The name for the clone is "The Phoenix." Big Tree Park is also home to the Senator's sister tree, "Lady Liberty", an approximately 2,000-year-old Bald Cypress. The park also serves as a Trailhead for the Cross Seminole Trail. FREE

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NEIGHBORHOOD SPRING GARAGE

Now that the holiday season is over, there is no way I have less stuff, even though a few weeks in a row now my curb looked like a little flea market. Note to self - send the kids some heirlooms. And yes, that laundry hamper I used in college is a generational keepsake – but wait! I remember now where I got that...at a neighborhood garage sale! On second thought, a better idea is to put that relic in The Winter Woods HOA Spring Garage Sale on March 9th!

We are blowing it out again and this promises to be the biggest sale in the neighborhood this year. So far. We will try to top ourselves in the Fall.

If you have any specialty items or you just want to be listed as a hot sale destination, let us know and we will notify the masses through the several garages sale apps we are now using for exposure and traffic.

If you have any questions or ideas, please contact Anthony Riley at keys137@yahoo.com or (407) 967-6662.



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

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Devin Costley

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