# Wickham Forest Homeowner's Association

http://www.wickhamforest.com

**July 2011** 

# WF Beautification Project

While the current economic environment is challenging us all, and property values remain depressed, it is more important than ever for homeowners to maintain attractive properties. It has come to the attention of the Wickham Forest Board that many properties in Wickham Forest are in violation of the Covenants and Restrictions, and other properties are nearing violation.

In effort to bring Wickham Forest back to the standards that attracted us here in the first place, the Board will create and implement a Wickham Forest Beautification Project. If you wish to volunteer to be a part of this planning, please respond to board@wickhamforest.com with your name, e-mail address & phone number. The Beautification Project plan will be implemented immediately following the July board meeting.

Please be a part of the solution as we bring beauty back into Wickham Forest properties. Begin today by making certain your lawn is green, neatly mowed, edged, weeded, pruned and whatever else you can do to bring life back to your lawn - WEEKLY.

PET CARE

When walking your dog, remember to pick up the waste and dispose of it properly. Leaving the waste on the ground increases public health risks by allowing harmful bacteria and nutrients to wash into the storm drains.

Besides being inconsiderate to your neighbors, it is a violation of Melbourne Ordinance. Additionally, the Wickham Forest 2010 Covenants identifies failure to clean up after you pet as an infraction that can be assessed a fine of \$50 per violation if you are observed (Section 7.5c).

# **Architectural Review Committee Meeting**

Tuesday, July 18, 2011 AT 7:30PM 2580 Red Maple Place

Wickham Forest Homeowners Association, Inc. PO Box 410621 Melbourne FL 32941-0621 FAX: (888) 851-4645

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North Melbourne HOA Alliance

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**Date:** April 20, 2011

**Subject:** WFHOA Board of Directors Meeting:

**Call to Order:** The Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM at 4245 Wood Haven Drive. Proper notice was given.

**Determination of a Quorum:** Board members present were Nancy Phillips, Duane Charter, Mary Greenfield, and Ed Clark.

**Board Meeting Minutes:** The minutes from the February 2011 meeting were approved as published in the newsletter.

**Treasurer's Report:** The treasurer's report was read and approved. It will be published in the newsletter. The Corporate Report has been completed and filed. We need to obtain volunteers to perform the annual Audit. Nancy will contact the homeowners who provided this service last year to see if they would be willing to help again this year.

**2nd Vice President's Report:** There were 11 letters sent out this month: 6 for garbage, 2 for yard maintenance, 1 for garage door, 1 for yard overgrowth, and 1 for summary of fines. We are still waiting to hear from the city regarding speed humps.

#### **Old Business:**

**Conservation Area Update:** The area is scheduled for 1 more spraying this month. After the last spraying, we must wait 30 days before planting. We would like to have some homeowners volunteer to help. We will rent an auger and provide the plants. The planting is scheduled for May 21, 2011.

The lawsuit against Wickham Forest by some of the Pebble Creek homeowners has been dropped.

# **New Business:**

Annual Community Yard Sale: The annual community yard sale is scheduled for May 21, 2011.

We reviewed estimates to provide the ongoing swale/lake maintenance. A motion was made and passed to contract with ECOR Aquatic Weed Control for the ongoing maintenance. Mary will contact them to sign the contract and arrange a start time. Ed will notify Applied Aquatics that we will be terminating their service at the end of May 2011.

We have been notified that FPL will be in the area performing line clearing in the neighborhood. As we have underground lines, there shouldn't be must activity.

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

# Wickham Forest Board of Directors Meeting

Thursday, July 28, 2011 AT 7:30PM 4245 Wood Haven Dr

# Become a Block Captain.

A block captain is responsible for disseminating information to their neighbors/or their designated area for the awareness of crime activities. Block Captains help to assist in relaying information through e-mail, telephone or in person to neighbors.

Being a Block Captain is very important in helping to protect our community. With the advent of email, the speed of communicating information about crime prevention is very effective.

There is a minimal amount of time involved in being a Block Captain, and the rewards for helping your neighbors in crime prevention are priceless.

Call the chairman of Wickham Forest Neighborhood Watch with questions you may have about participating in the Neighborhood Watch program

We need more Block Captains......Please become involved!

# **GET YOUR NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL!!**

Please consider signing up to receive your monthly WF Newsletter electronically instead of having a paper copy hand-delivered to your home.

By signing up to receive the newsletter electronically, every month you will receive an email notice that the latest newsletter is available for download. The email will include a link where you can view the monthly newsletter on your computer. The **COLOR** newsletter can be viewed online, printed, or saved to your own computer for future viewing. Because email delivery doesn't have to wait for printing and delivery, homeowners selecting email delivery will receive the newsletter before homeowners receiving the paper copy.

There are two ways to sign up for email notification of newsletter. You can create an account on the Wickhamforest.com website, then login into your account and select the Join our mailing list on the left, or just send an email to newsletter@wickhamforest.com This will automatically register you to receive the email notification and electronic delivery. If you would prefer to receive the newsletter as an attachment to the email, just mention that in the email request.

Your email is protected. Your email address will be protected and not released to unauthorized people.

Registering for email delivery will only add you to the email delivery list. It will not stop the home delivery. Instructions on how to cancel the home delivery will be provided when you receive your first email notice. But please consider cancelling the home delivery. This will not only save money for the association, it will also reduce the workload on the dedicated volunteers who deliver the newsletter every month.

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# Wickham Forest Neighborhood Watch.

I would like to thank everyone who has signed up for the e-mail alerts this past month!

We have seen a decrease in activities that are normally seen as increasing during the summer months.

There were but a few incidents this past month in Wickham Forest.

Back in May a resident went out to his mailbox as a group of young boys rode off on their bikes, the mailbox was smoking as it had been lit up with firecrackers. This is a Federal Offense and someone will get in a lot of trouble if caught.

In the 3rd week of June, there were 3 incidents that were reported to the Neighborhood Watch.

On WoodHaven a very serious incident occurred when a group of teen boys were in the road and as a resident drove by them, they started throwing rocks at her vehicle. When the driver approached the boys asking 'whats up with that?' The boys threatened vulgarities and to shoot her and her young child. The resident immediately called the Police and MPD responded with 3 vehicles, the boys fled from the scene. One of the teens was a suspect in an earlier hit/run accident and MPD were already in the process of looking for him.

The issue of VACANT homes in our subdivision is of additional concern as a suspicious person driving a silver Hyundai with tinted windows is known to be 'house hopping' vacant properties. Please be on the lookout. If you know a home is vacant and you see this vehicle or another that looks like it doesn't belong there, immediately call MPD and report your suspicions. Wickham Forest doesn't need any illegal activities taking place within the vacant homes and our awareness is key to preventing crimes.

Another incident reported to Neighborhood Watch occurred on Bent Pine, near the cul-de-sac. The resident came home at approx. 1:30AM to find 3 teens lurking in the shadows of their side yard. Upon getting out of his vehicle the boys took off running between the homes and towards the pond, then to the fence line that borders Summer Brook and the train tracks. One of the teens involved is a white male approx. 6 ft tall, heavy set with brown wavy hair, (had trouble running) another was an Hispanic male dressed in all black who was out in the cul-de-sac speaking on his cell phone. It appeared as the this young man was on 'lookout' for the other boys. Description of the other two boys were not available as they quickly ran off before the resident could get a good look at them.

Please if you see any activity, that is suspicious, immediately call MPD and report what you see. By all means, do not get out of your vehicle and approach anyone or chase them. It is not a good idea! You don't know what type of weapons they may carry with them. We want to keep our citizens safe in our communities. Awareness, upon seeing any suspicious activities should be followed by reporting them immediately to the Police. Take precautions in keeping yourself, your family and your home secure. Help out our community by signing up for e-mail alerts. Thank you!

Please sign up for e-mail alerts at wfcitizenswatch@gmail.com.

Your names and e-mail address are kept private.

Crime information incidents and alerts for residents are passed along through this system.

The awareness of residents is crucial to keeping Wickham Forest a safe community.

Georgette McWilliams Chairman, Wickham Forest Neighborhood Watch 321-751-3749 wfcitizenswatch@gmail.com

# Neighborhood Watch - Activity Report

Reporting District: 100

Data Period: 5/10/2011 to 6/26/2011

	DISPATCH DATE/TIME	ADDRESS	DISPOSITION
DIRECTED PATROL			
MP110039600	06/15/2011 14:00	2665 FOREST RUN DR,MEL	Refer to Other Agency
MP110040267	06/18/2011	2555 RED MAPLE PL,MEL	Telephone, Response Not Needed
DISTURBANCE I/P			
MP110041373	06/22/2011 20:22	WOOD HAVEN DR / WILD WOOD DR,MEL	Non-criminal resolved
MISC COMPLAINT			
MP110041708	06/24/2011	WILD WOOD DR / WOOD HAVEN DR,MEL	Telephone, Response Not Needed
STOLEN VEH-RECOV	/ERED		
MP110042015	06/25/2011 12:16	2640 BENT ELM LN,MEL	Offense Report
SUSPICIOUS PERS			
MP110034721	05/27/2011 00:42	2475 FOREST RUN DR,MEL	Gone On Arrival
MP110038409	06/10/2011 19:50	2755 FOREST RUN DR,MEL	Gone On Arrival
MP110040665	06/19/2011 21:26	RED MAPLE PL / SWEET BAY AV, MEL	Other, Provide Description
MP110041053	06/21/2011 15:21	WILLOW BEND DR / FOREST RUN DR,MEL	Non-criminal resolved
SUSPICIOUS VEHIC	LE		
MP110041979	06/25/2011 07:51	BENT ELM LN / WOOD HAVEN DR,MEL	Assist/Assignment Complete
MP110031628	05/13/2011 22:57	FOREST RUN DR / WILD WOOD DR,MEL	Unfounded
TRAFFIC STOP			
	06/19/2011 21:09	RED MAPLE PL / WILLOW BEND DR,MEL	Written Warning
VANDALISM			
MP110037618	06/07/2011 18:39	2670 WILD WOOD DR,MEL	Offense Report
VIOL OF INJ	- 4/9/03		
MP110040589	06/19/2011 13:12	2610 WILD WOOD DR,MEL	Telephone, Assist/Assignment Comple

If you see any suspicious activity in the neighborhood, please call 911 or for non-emergency call Melbourne Police Department at 321-409-2200

# Did you miss this recent email?

Approx a week ago around 1:30Am when a resident arrived home from work. As he pulled into his driveway he saw movement on the side of their home, crouched in the bushes was a young male who jumped up and started running through the side yard and back towards the Bent Pine pond. This suspect was approx 6ft tall, very heavy set, white complexion, brown wavy hair and was trying to catch up with another two young men who were running towards the fence that borders the train tracks close to Summer Brook. As the resident came back out front to his vehicle, he noticed an Hispanic Male in his late teens, approx 5'10 or so wearing all black, black t-shirt, black pants, black shoes and talking on his cell phone while leaving the area from the Bent Pine cul de sac and from what he could hear it of the conversation sounded as though the Hispanic Male was associated with the other young men as they were on the run.

Please sign up for e-mail alerts at wfcitizenswatch@gmail.com.

Your names and e-mail address are kept private.

# **Hurricane Season Approaching**

With hurricane season approaching, ensure you are prepared with information that will assist you and your families during times of crisis. We hope that you never have to face such a crisis but, if you do, the following information will be helpful to you and your family.

#### Preparing for a Hurricane

Hurricanes threaten our safety and livelihood, presenting significant threats of flooding and wind damage. Meteorologists continue to predict active hurricane seasons for the foreseeable future, as well as above-average probability of major hurricane landfalls. The best way to prevent harm and reduce property damage is to be aware of the dangers posed by storms and to be prepared.

#### Be prepared... develop a home emergency plan

To prepare for any natural disaster, it's a good idea to have an emergency kit on hand.

## Have a family communication plan

Your family may not be together when disaster strikes, so plan how you will contact one another and review what you will do in different situations. If you have family outside the area, be sure to inform them of your plans. They will be worried and trying to contact you.

#### Checklist - What to do before the hurricane

- ♦ Learn the terms used by weather forecasters. Know the difference between "watches" and "warnings" a watch means that storm conditions are in the specified area, usually within 36 hours while a warning is usually within 24 hours
- ♦ Listen for local radio or television forecasts
- ♦ Ask your local emergency management office about community evacuation plans
- ♦ Talk to your family about hurricane issues
- ♦ Determine the needs of your family/neighbors that might need assistance in a hurricane
- ♦ Prepare to survive on your own for at least three days
- ♦ Make plans to secure your property
- ♦ Learn how to shut off utilities and where gas and water shutoffs are located
- ♦ Have your home inspected for compliance with local building codes
- ♦ Be sure trees and shrubs around your home are well trimmed
- ♦ Make a record of your personal property with pictures or videotapes
- ♦ Decide in advance where to go if you must evacuate your home. You might choose a friend's home, a motel or a shelter.
- ♦ Identify a safe evacuation route and alternate routes. Remember that roads may be crowded and that bridges or causeways may be under water.
- ♦ Stock plywood, nails and other items needed to board up windows to protect your home.
- ♦ Prepare for possible power outages by stocking up on such necessities as food and bottled water, as well as a first aid kit, a portable radio, warm clothing and clean blankets. In addition, keep a supply of flashlights and extra batteries handy, and avoid relying upon potential light sources, such as candles and kerosene lamps, since open flames can be hazardous.
- ♦ Keep your car fueled in case you have to evacuate, and store some bottled water, nutritious snacks and blankets in the trunk.
- ♦ Listen to local radio or television for the latest information and instructions for your area. Protect your windows with boards or shutters.
- ♦ Look around your property and reduce the threat of flying debris. This includes moving all outdoor items (patio furniture, garbage cans, garden tools) indoors and, if possible, removing any tree limbs that may be too close to your home, or appear to be diseased or damaged.
- ♦ Make arrangements for your pets. In the event you needed to be evacuated to a shelter, most shelters won't allow them. Animals that assist people with disabilities are permitted.

# **WELCOME NEW RESIDENTS**

The board would like to welcome you to the community. If you do not have a copy of our Covenants and Deed Restrictions, or have any questions about them, please contact any board member.

A few reminders regarding our Covenants, for those who do not have a copy —

- 1. Yard trash is picked up on Fridays. Yard trash should not be placed at the curb until the night before pick-up. Tree branches/shrub clippings, etc. need to be cut down to 4 foot sections and bundled for easier pick up by waste management.
- 2. <u>Bulk Items:</u> You do not need to call Waste Management to schedule a pickup bulk items (including furniture). These items can be placed at the curb on Fridays. The truck that picks up the yard trash will make note of the address and return later in the day to pick up bulk items. They will be automatically picked up as long as nothing was longer than 4 ft.; the same as yard trash, information, contact Waste Management at 321-723-4455.
- 3. <u>Electronics:</u> You still need to call to arrange a special pick up for appliances and electronics.
- 4. Garbage is picked up on Tuesdays and Fridays. Recycling is picked up Wednesday. Garbage containers/recycling bins should not be placed at the curb until 5pm the night before pick up. Garbage containers/recycling bins must be stored as not to be visible from the street or adjacent property within sight distance of the lot.
- 5. If you are planning to paint your home or plan any exterior changes, please contact the Architectural Review Committee (ARC) for approval **BEFORE** starting any new project. A sample of paint color, shingle type/color, plan layout, etc. must be submitted to the ARC for approval.

# **IMPORTANT CONTACTS**

Melbourne Police Dept (non-emergency) (321) 409-2200

Fire Department (321) 752-4642

Melbourne City Hall (321) 727-2900

City of Melbourne Water Department (Normal Hours) (321) 674-5726

City of Melbourne Water Department (Emergency) (321) 255-4622

Fix a pothole: City of Melbourne (321) 953-6231

FPL Power Outage (800) 468-8243

FPL Meter Check (800) 468-8243

Florida City Gas leaks, Odors, or Emergencies (888) 352-5325

Waste Management 321 723-4455

Appliance Pick up: (321) 953-6302

Large yard pile Pick Up: (321) 953-6302

Dispose of old paint or other household chemicals: (321) 255-4365

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CHILDBIRTH PREPARATION: Prepare for your birth by learning the options you have in Brevard County. Childbirth Classes and Birth Doula Services offered by Terri Myers, ICCE. Over 12 years experience in home and hospital births. Free consultation. mamaterra@cfl.rr.com, 321-259-5598, www.spacecoastdoulas.com.

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PET CARE SERVICES: Veterinarian tech offering private pet care visits at the pet owner's home. Services also include basic home care while away. "Giving them the care, while your not there!" Contact Cindy for consultation at 255-2658 or email petcarenanny08@yahoo.com. [040111]

PET SITTER: Mature 13 year old to care for your family pet(s)---Emily will provide walks, clean up after, feed and water, brush or wash, care for and play with your pets. Resident of Wickham Forest. Call 321-591-5394.

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