Wickham Forest Homeowner's Association

http://www.wickhamforest.com

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Important Notices

Board Continues to experience EMAIL DIFFICULTIES

WFHOA Board of Directors has experienced Email difficulties over the past several months. While it appears at times to be corrected, lost Email sometimes occurs. Should you send an Email to the board or to any one of the board members and not receive a reply within 24 hours, please send the message again or to a different board member. New Email addresses are listed in the column to the right side of this Newsletter, Page 1.

Schools Begins Soon!!

First day of school in the Brevard County Public Schools is August 12, 2015. Help protect our youth as they go back to the classrooms. Check the Brevard County Public School website for exact times of registration and classes.

Wickham Forest home values climbing! \$\$\$\$

It appears that home market values are beginning to climb in Brevard County, FL. Let's keep Wickham Forest home values among the highest in the County by keeping our lawns well groomed, flower gardens and shrubs well trimmed and free of weeds. Keep roofs and home structures free of mildew as well as all sidewalks and driveways. Check to see if your home needs a new coat of paint, Keep garbage cans out of view from the street. Be pro-active in keeping out neighborhood appearance among the top in Brevard County. The better we look, the higher our homes can sell.

Each homeowner will soon receive a letter **briefly** outlining the covenants of Wickham Forest. Please know that the letter in no way represents the entire covenants. It is the responsibility of each homeowner to read and follow the covenants in it's entirety. Should a home be a rental home, it also is the responsibility of the homeowner to inform a tenant of all expectations as per the covenants. The homeowner/property owner is responsibility for their property.

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Back page Newsletter CLASSIFIEDS SOON TO BE AVAILABLE Should any Wickham Forest resident business owner wish to promote his/her own business by offering a special discount on a

temporary 3-month opportunity, please send a short word-ready advertisement with all details to Nancywfhoa@Gmail.com. Please know that publishing the promotion is at the discretion of the publisher.

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HURRICANE SEASON IS HERE!! BE PREPARED!

With hurricane season upon us and the PEAK of the storm season is rapidly approaching, please 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. The old saying "better safe than sorry" is true.

Prepare 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. 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.

Locate shelters ahead of time. Make arrangements for your pets. It's very important to trimmed trees and shrubbery NOW as these become deadly during strong winds. Place all loose items inside a protected area. Check local weather and newspapers for a more comprehensive guide to storm preparation.



WFHOA TREASURERS REPORT

6-1-2015 - 6-30-2015

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INCOME		
Dues		\$1,057.00
Fees		\$250.00
Fines		\$50.00
TOTAL INCOME	TOTAL	\$1,357.00
EVENOES		
EXPENSES		
Administrative Expenses:		
OPERATING EXPENSES:		
FPL		\$76.20
	TOTAL	\$76.20
MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:		
Ponds		\$290.00
Mowing		\$450.00
Excavation Mowing		\$775.00
	TOTAL	\$1,515.00
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$1,591.20
CASH ON HAND:		
Chase Checking		\$44,970.51
Chase Savings		\$12,498.77
TOTAL		\$57,469.28

Wickham Forest ARC Meeting Summary

Date : July 8,, 2015

Members Present:

Carol Theiler Georgette Mc Williams Dan Reichel Susie Nichols

Requests Approved:

2380 BENT PINE ST

Replace driveway with pavers and extend driveway on left side

Replace windows with hurricane rated glass Replace front door with hurricane rated door Exterior House/Trim Paint

> House - Wheat Straw Trim - Linen Tint

2475 Bent Pine St-

Install wood trellis

2515 Forest Run Drive

Replace Roof - Shingles - Beachwood

2555 Red Maple Place

Install brick pavers on front walkway and front door slab

4501 Willow Bend Dr.

Repair stucco in front of house

4665 Willow Bend Dr.

Replace 6' fence with same fence material

4245 Wood Haven Dr.

Paint Soffit and Gutters - Richards Sugar Dust 0011

Our next meeting will be August 12, 7:00 P.M., at 4590 Willow Bend Drive

Most items are easily approved, and most questions easily answered. We are all working to make our Wickham Forest neighborhood the best and loveliest in the area!

Also, remember to check with the covenants or the ARC members if you have any questions regarding exterior changes. ARC committee meets the 2^{nd} Wednesday of each month.

Wickham Forest Newsletter is now digital

Your copy of the Wickham Forest Monthly Newsletter is available each month online at www.wickhamforest.com. It is also available online at the NextDoor Wickham Forest website. Both sites will allow you to print your copy at home.



If you wish to receive a hard-copy of the WF Monthly

Newsletter, please notify the publisher by sending an E-mail to wickhamforest@gmail.com with your name and address, along with a brief message that you prefer to receive the newsletter on paper. Or contact one of the board officers, asking for a paper copy. Someone will be happy to deliver a copy to you.

IMPORTANT Yard waste reminder

Yard waste is collected by the City on Friday. WF covenants regarding yard waste have not changed. Trash and yard waste shall not be placed at curbside earlier than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, the evening before scheduled pick up.

VIOLATION LETTERS WILL BE SENT WITH POSSIBLE FINES. If you have telephoned

the City for pick-up, please take a moment to notify the Board so you do not receive a violation notice.



If very large amounts of yard waste need to be removed, the city should be called (321.953.6302) as located on page 6 of this newsletter) to schedule a special pick up. If you hire someone to trim your trees/shrubs they are REQUIRED to haul the debris away. Unlicensed/uninsured vendors may not provide complete service and could present possible legal problems for the homeowner.

STREET PARKING - BEWARE OF PENDING FINES

Our covenants state that street parking is NOT allowed except in special circumstances. Parking on the lawns is NEVER allowed (including the lawn between the sidewalk and street). It is not a covenant violation if you park your vehicle on the street the wrong way or block the sidewalk. However, it is a city ordinance violation and you are susceptible to ticketing by the Melbourne Police. If you are parking on the street, know you are at risk of being fined \$50 per day. The board will not be sending warning letters to homeowners who have received parking notices in the previous 12 months. The board will proceed directly to fines.

This notice serves as a reminder to all homeowners to park in their garages or driveways. Violators will start seeing letters and potential fines in the near future.

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. Waste Management will NOT pick up any yard trash in plastic bags.
- 2. **Bulk Items:** 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. **Electronics:** 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. Only items in the recycling container will be picked up on Wednesday. Large loose items will be picked up on Friday.
- 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) 608-6731 (MPD1)

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

AT&T Residential Repair Service: (877) 737-2478

AT&T FastAcess DSL Technical Support: (888) 321-2375

Bright House Customer Service (321) 254-3300

Bus Transportation (321) 242-6497

Important WF Reminders

<u>IMPORTANT NOTICE TO HOMEOWNERS REGARDING LEASES AND WF</u> RENTALS

All WFHOA homeowners were asked in February 2014 to vote on an amendment to the WFHOA Declaration of Covenants. The Amendment to the WFHOA Declaration of Covenants passed by a majority vote. Please refer to your copy that was mailed to you in June 2014 for your files. This information can also be located online at wickhamforest.com, under covenants, sec11.1. The Amendment requires all WFHOA landlords to submit a copy of each lease agreement to the WFHOA Board in a timely manner. While most WF landlords have complied, a few lease copies are still outstanding. If you are a landlord, please make certain to comply with the directives as quickly as possible to avoid incurring fines. If you have a second address but your property is NOT leased or rented, please notify the board with that information, as well. THE WFHOA BOARD THANKS YOU FOR ASSISTING WITH ALL UPDATES TO PROPERTY RECORDS.

SIDEWALKS, DRIVEWAYS, HOUSES AND MILDEW

THANK YOU WICKHAM FOREST!!! Most WF sidewalks and driveways have been cleaned. What a difference it has made in appearance!

Sidewalks and Driveways

The WFHOA has completed its review of sidewalks and driveways in our neighborhood which were moldy and/or stained with iron. Reminders for cleaning these have been mailed.

Very dark mold and/or iron stains can be tenacious and difficult to remove. Several neighbors have reported that chlorine brushed on prior to pressure cleaning yields satisfactory results. Others report home improvement stores offer other solutions to cleaning concrete. IF you are unable to get the work done right away, please notify the HOA with a call or email indicating that you are aware of the issue and have a plan to see the work complete.

Houses and Roofs

Letters of reminder will soon be mailed regarding **mildew on houses and roofs**. To avoid receiving such a letter, check NOW and clean these areas, as well. If you have already taken care of this, thank you for being pro-active and considerate of our neighborhood.

For Your Information

The following local businesses are offering residents of Wickham Forest a 10% discount on selected merchandise and/or services during the months of June, July and August, 2015. Print a copy of this page to present to the business for your discount.

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