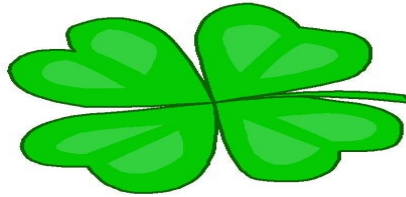


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March 2016

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY TO EACH OF YOU



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Facts about St. Patrick (Some may surprise you):

St. Patrick was born in 385AD., he wasn't Irish and he wasn't born in Ireland. Patrick's parents were Roman citizens living in modern-day England, or more precisely in Scotland or Wales.

St. Patrick's real name was Maewyn Succat. He was born in 385AD and died at the age of 79, in the year 461 AD.

St. Patrick was a saint of the Catholic Church, and his holy day is the day of his death. More facts on page 7.

Next WFHOA board meeting will be March 9, 2016; 7:00 PM at 2540 Red Maple Place.

WFHOA welcoming committee will meet on March 3, 2016. 2:00 PM at 4535 Willow Bend Drive

Next ARC meeting will meet March 8, 2016: 7:00 PM at 4590 Willow Bend

Community Garage Sale-first Saturday in May, details in April's newsletter.

NEW EMAIL ADDRESS for WHOA BOARD When contacting any board member in the future, please use wickham-forest@googlegroups.com. Other mail addresses are no longer used.

WFHOA ANNUAL MEETING

DATE: February 3, 2016

Board Members present: Pres. Ingrid Smith, 1st Vice Pres. Mary Greenfield, 2nd Vice Pres. Nancy Phillips and Secretary Marcella Johnson

The meeting convened at 7:05 PM at 2540 Red Maple Place

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved by Nancy Phillips, seconded by Mary Greenfield.

In absence of Ed Clark the treasure report was accepted as read by Ingrid Smith.

In the near future, Florida Power & Lights (FPL) will be trimming trees at the entrance to our subdivision.

1st V.P reported on the condition of the ponds. In January 2016 a total of 100 grass carp were placed in Red Maple, Forest Run and Bent Pine Ponds. Forest Run pond will also be treated for algae.

2nd VP reported the following letters of violations were mailed: 12-Mildew; 3-yard trash; 2-parking; ; 1-garbage; and 1-stucco and 1-ARC violation.

New Business: Election ballots counted by Linda Charter and Frank Johnson declared the new board as follows: President: Igrid Smith; 1st Vice President-Mary Greenfield; 2nd Vice President-Nancy Phillips; Treasure-Ed Clark and Secretary-Carol Smith.

President-Ingrid Smith suggested initiating a welcome committee to inform all new residents of our association's regulations. 2nd Vice President proposed to recruit a committee by next month with a budget of \$300.00. All approved.

Homeowner Frank Bishop praised the board for their work and suggested to raise the annual dues to \$110.00.

With no other business at hand the meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcella Johnson, Secretary

WFHOA TREASURY REPORT

1-1-2016 – 1-31-2016

INCOME:

Dues	\$13,716.00
Fees	\$150.00
Returned Check	\$108.00
TOTAL	\$13,848.00

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES:

Office Supplies	\$189.08
Bank Fees	\$12.00
TOTAL	\$201.08

OPERATING EXPENSES:

FPL Nov/Dec	\$91.68
Insurance	\$566.69
Postage	\$196.00
Holiday Decorations	\$440.98
Holiday Bonus ARC	\$400.00
TOTAL	\$1,695.35

MAINTENANCE EXPENSES:

Ponds	\$290.00
Mowing	\$461.32
Entrance Landscaping	\$1,170.00
Excavation Mowing & Repairs	\$550.00
TOTAL	\$2,471.32

TOTAL EXPENSES **\$4,367.75**

CASH ON HAND:

Chase Checking	\$41,890.56
Chase Savings	\$12,501.34
TOTAL	\$54,392.00



Wickham Forest ARC Meeting Summary

Date: February 10, 2016

Members Present:

Linda Beckwith; Susie Nichols;

Dan Reichel; Carol Theiler



Requests Approved:

2485 Bent Pine St: Install fence on west side of property with gates on both sides

2700 Forest Run Dr: Replace existing fence with shadow box fencing

2865 Forest Run Dr: Plant sod where tree was removed, install river rock and border around existing flower beds

4460 Sweet Bay Ave: Install wood shadow box fence on north side of property

4480 Sweet Bay Ave: Remove screen from back porch and replace with windows and 1 door

4575 Sweet Bay Ave: EXTERIOR HOUSE/TRIM PAINT

House—Sherwin Williams—7032—Warm Stone

Trim/Garage Door—Sherwin Williams—6203—Spare White

4585 Sweet Bay Ave: EXTERIOR HOUSE/TRIM PAINT

House—Richards—0554—Sparrow

Trim/Garage Door—Richards—White

4560 Willow Bend Dr:

House—Valspar—Artichoke—6003-2A

Trim/Garage Door—Valspar—Barcelona White—7003-14

4750 Willow Bend Dr: Replace roof with grey/silver shingles

Our next meeting will be March 8, 2016, 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 covenants or the ARC members if you have any questions regarding exterior changes. ARC committee meets the 2nd week of each month.

Notes from the President:

Persistent algae on our Wickham Forest Ponds

Over the past couple of years we have experienced more than usual algae growth on our ponds. Extended periods of hot, rainy weather allows algae to grow, as do excessive nutrients and pollutants. The issues that effect our ponds are also connected to the health of the Indian River Lagoon, and St. Johns River.

A major factor that supplies nutrients to the water ifas.ufl.edu/horticulture/index.shtml for more information. This is a City of Melbourne violation that carries a \$200.00 fine. Blowing grass clippings into the storm drain carries the same fine. The HOA cannot release residents from any City violations.

Aside from fertilizer, pesticides and herbicides, several other products also pollute our water. Included are: Pet Waste (if you live on a pond, you must pick up behind your pet in your yard) Oil, grease, metals, and coolants from vehicles, soaps, and chemicals from washing vehicles (use a car wash or wash over grass). **Do not pour or sweep household cleaning products, paints , or solvent down the storm drains.**

Some recycling facts:

Not everything with a recycling arrow (Mobius) can be recycled locally. Most important to recycle are plastic containers with necks, cans, glass bottles and jars, cardboard and paper. If you are not sure, check www.melbourneflorida.org. Click "services" then navigate to Solid waste and recycling." Plastic bags cannot be recycled. Placing non recyclables into your curbside containers contaminates the recyclables, which in turn increase the cost of our garbage collection services.

Zika virus:

The Zika virus has been in the news recently. There is no medical prevention available. For most people it is a mild illness that is treated with rest. It is carried by the daytime active aedes mosquito, unlike the mosquitos that are active at night. Aedes mosquitos lay their eggs in standing puddles of water around our homes. We can all help reduce the risk of spreading the virus by checking around our homes for area/items holding small amounts of water and emptying them. No pesticides are needed to do this.

Pet waste and water pollution:

Pollutants found in pet waste can transmit disease and parasites to humans. When rain washes pet waste into storm drains, pollutants are carried into water bodies. These diseases and parasites can also be picked up by children playing in the yard. Campylobacteria frequently causes diarrhea. Cryptosporidium, a parasite, also causes diarrhea, cramps, nausea and dehydration. Toxocariasis, roundworms transmitted by dogs may cause vision loss, nausea, rash, fever and cough. E.Coli, carried by dogs also causes cramping, diarrhea, vomiting and dehydration.

That is why it is so important to pick up behind your animals, even in your own yard.

This is an Ordinance in Brevard County and our own HOA. The best way to control cat waste is to keep them indoors/screened lanai areas. Our neighborhood is home to several feral/stray cats, that would not be house friendly. These cats can carry parasites and diseases that can be transferred to cats that spend time in your home.

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 FastAccess DSL Technical Support: (888) 321-2375
Bright House Customer Service (321) 254-3300
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More Facts about St. Patrick continued:

St. Patrick was a slave: At the age of 16, Patrick had the misfortune of being kidnapped by Irish raiders who took him away and sold him as a slave. He spent several years in Ireland herding sheep and learning about the people there. At the age of 22, he managed to escape. He made his way to a monastery in England where he spent 12 years growing closer to God.

St. Patrick used the shamrock to preach about the trinity: Many claim the shamrock represents faith, hope, and love, or any number of other things but it was actually used by Patrick to teach the mystery of Holy Trinity, and how three things, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit could be separate entities, yet one in the same.

The original color associated with St. Patrick is blue, not green as commonly believed. In several artworks depicting the saint, he is shown wearing blue vestments.

According to legend, St. Patrick drove all the snakes, or in some translations, "toads" out of Ireland. In reality, this probably did not occur, as there is no evidence that snakes have ever existed in Ireland, the climate being too cold for them to thrive.

The Shamrock is a popular Irish symbol, but is not the symbol of Ireland. As early as the medieval period, the harp has appeared on Irish gravestones and manuscripts.

There are an estimated 34 million Americans that have Irish ancestry. Your odds of finding a four-leaf clover are: About 1 in 10,000.

The very first St. Patrick's Day parade was not in Ireland, it was in Boston in 1737. The largest parade in the United States, held since 1762, is in New York City, and draws more than one million spectators each year.

Dyeing the Chicago river green is a favorite tradition in Chicago, What year did it begin? 1962

Traditional St. Patrick's day food includes Irish soda bread, corned beef & cabbage, Irish stew, and of course, Guinness.

Our very first President of the United States; George Washington claims Irish heritage.

An old Irish legend allows women to propose to men on Leap Day to bring balance to their traditional roles, similar to the balanced calendar every four years.

May the luck of the Irish be with you today!!

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY

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