## Wickham Forest Homeowner's Association

http://www.wickhamforest.com

**NOVEMBER 2017** 





ARE YOU READY
FOR THE WICKHAM
FOREST COMMUNITY WINTER YARD—
GARAGE SALE DECEMBER 2, 2017

The Wickham Forest early winter community garage/yard sale will be held on December 2, 2017; from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Advertisement will be published on the WFHOA Website, NextDoor Website and in the WF Monthly Newsletter. Signs will be posted at our entrance by Friday afternoon.

The WF Board has arranged to have Goodwill come into the community to pick up any unsold items that homeowners would like to donate. The truck will drive through the neighborhood after 2:00 PM for pick up on Saturday, December 2, 2017.

**Special Note:** The WFHOA newsletter is available on the Wickham website and the NextDoor Wickham Forest website for your viewing OR at your request, a printed copy can be delivered to your home. Contact Carol Smith at wickham-forest@googlegroups.com

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### **CONTACTS**

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## Architectural Review Committee Carol Theiler, Chairperson (321) 259-7400

- Susie Nichols
- Linda Beckwith
- Bob Bruno
- Bernadette Pinto (alt)
- Georgette McWilliams

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#### **Wickham Forest Website**

http://www.wickhamforest.com

#### **North Melourne HOA Alliance**

www.northmelbournehomewonersalliance.com

## KEEP VEHICLES/TRUCKS LOCKED AT ALL TIMES





Prevent Theft!

Keep your vehicles locked at all times and parked in your driveway, not the street, especially at night. Keep your valuables out of sight at all times. Turn on your car alarm if your vehicle has one. By taking a few precautions you can increase the chances of theft.



## **IMPORTANT Yard Waste Reminder**

Yard waste is collected by the City on Friday. Wickham Forest 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. It only takes a few moments to haul a garbage can to the curb.

## **VIOLATION LETTERS WILL BE SENT:**

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 7 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.

THE NEXT WICKHAM FOREST BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING WILL BE DECEMBER 13, 2017, AT 7:00 P.M. AT 4245 WOOD HAVEN DRIVE.

## Wickham Forest HOA Board of Directors Meeting

### DATE: NOVEMBR 1, 2017

Determination of Quorum: Nancy Phillips, President; Mary Greenfield, 1st Vice President; Ashley Bumgarner, 2nd Vice President; Ed Clark, Treasurer, Carol Smith, Secretary; and Pam Clark, Administrative Assistant.

Tony Masone, Land Developer with Watson Land & Homes, LLC., Guest.

The meeting convened at 7:00 PM at 4245 Wood Haven Drive.

Minutes of previous meeting were approved by Ed Clark and seconded by Mary Greenfield.

## President's Report:

Mr. Tony Masone expressed his desire to possibly build a "Small Lunch-Supper Restaurant," at the front entrance of the subdivision. Traffic issues, long waits to get out of the subdivision on to Wickham Road and the need for a traffic light at the entrance way were discussed. The WFHOA Board's consideration was only if the city was to approve for a traffic light.

## 1st Vice President's Report:

Mary Greenfield spoke with the WFHOA attorney, Joe Columbo about the 3 different swales (Forest Run Drive, Bent Pine Drive and Willow Bend Drive). The determination was that the swales are the responsibility of the WFHOA to maintain. An estimate was received from Brevard Excavating & Land Clearing. Pam Clark will be sending letters to the homeowners concerned that live on these swales. Nancy Phillips made the motion to have the swales cleaned and Ed Clark seconded the motion. Motion was passed by all the board members. Estimated cost of the cleanup will be \$27,530.00.

## 2nd Vice President's Report:

The following violation letters were mailed: Trash Cans—9 (8 + 1 second notice), Shutters—25 (23 +2 second notice), and Lawn Care—2.

Treasurer's Report: Approved as read

Secretary's Report: Nothing

#### **New Business:**

The WFHOA Community Garage/Yard Sale will be December 2, 2017, from 8:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

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## Wickham Forest HOA Board of Directors Meeting continued:

#### New Business continued:

The judging of the Annual Christmas Decorations Contest will be December 23, 2017.

#### **Old Business:**

Ed and Pam Clark met with Superior Fence Company about replacing the broken sections of the fence around behind the Wild Wood Drive pond. An estimate was received and the work will begin sometime in January.

Ed Clark recommended that the board members submit their request for recommendations updates to the covenants to Pam Clark, no later than November 15, 2017. Pam Clark will consolidate the list to be reviewed by the WFHOA attorney.

The next WFHOA Board meeting will be December 13, 2017, to iron out covenants issues.

With no other business at hand, Ed Clark made the motion to adjourn at 7:55 P. M., and it was seconded by Nancy Phillips.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Smith, Secretary



# WHAT ARE YOUR SPRINKLERS DOING?

St Johns River Water Management District watering regulations call for no more than two days of watering, and then only if needed, and never between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Homes with odd numbered addresses (ending in 1, 3, 5, 7, and 9) can water on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Homes with even numbered addresses (ending in 0, 2, 4, 6, and 8) can water on Thursdays and Sundays. These restrictions apply to private wells and water from public utilities. All of the excess water runs into the road drains and eventually ends up in the Indian River Lagoon, even if you are miles from the waterway. Please be a good steward of our land and water and check your sprinkler system. Installing a rain gauge on your system will turn the sprinklers off when there is sufficient rain.

## Wickham Forest ARC Meeting Summary

October 10, 2017

## Members Present:

Linda Beckwith Georgette McWilliams

Susie Nichols Carol Theiler

#### 4400 Wild Oak Court:

REPLACE EXISTING FENCE/GATES WITH WHITE VINYL FENCE REPLACE EXISTING SHED WITH ALIMINUM SHED, SAME DIMENSIONS AND DESIGN

#### 4450 Wild Oak Court:

REPLACE EXISTING FENCE WITH WHITE VINYL FENCE

#### 4505 Willow Bend Drive:

EXTERIOR HOUSE/TRIM PAINT

House/Garage Door-SW Stone Lion-SW 7507

Trim-SW Incredible White-SW 7028 Front Door-SW Tricorn Black-SW 6258

Our next meeting will be November 14, 2017 at 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. <u>All projects must be started within 6 months or a new request will have to be submitted.</u> Also, remember to check with the covenants or the ARC members if you have any questions regarding exterior changes.



Remember November 30, 2017 is the deadline for submitting a resume to the Wickham Forest.com website or to any present board member to be considered for the 2018 Board of Directors. The next annual meeting will be in February 2018. More information was already published in the September and October newsletter.

Be a leader in the community and help make a difference!!!!

## Account Balances - As of 9/30/2017

Account	9/30/2017 Balance
Bank Accounts	
BUS SELECT HY SAV XX5720	12,507.93
BUSINESSSELECT CHKG XX1800	45,392.19
TOTAL Bank Accounts	57,900.12
OVERALL TOTAL	57,900.12

## Banking Summary - Sep 2017 9/1/2017 through 9/30/2017

Category	9/1/2017- 9/30/2017
INCOME	
	0.30
Income Fees	150.00
TOTAL INCOME	150.30
EXPENSES	
Administrative	1,000.00
Bills & Utilities	
Credit Card Payment	-13.99
TOTAL Bills & Utilities	-13.99
Mowing	450.00
Office Expenses (Business)	473.98
Ponds	400.00
Postage	22.58
Sign Repair	847.80
Utilities (Business)	98.32
TOTAL EXPENSES	3,278.69
OVERALL TOTAL	-3,128.39

## **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 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.
- 6. Waste Management trucks are automated, maned by only one employee. Therefore, any trash articles NOT in the garbage bin WILL NOT be picked up. The driver is not supposed to leave his truck.

#### **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 Fast Access DSL Technical Support: (888) 321-2375

**Bright House Customer Service (321) 254-3300** 

**Bus Transportation (321) 242-6497** 



Thanksgiving day is a national holiday celebrated in Canada, the United States, some of the Caribbean islands, and Liberia. It began as a day of giving thanks for the blessing of the harvest and of the preceding year. Thanksgiving is celebrated on the second Monday of October in Canada and on the fourth Thursday of November in the United States.

Here are some interesting facts about Thanksgiving:

\* The first Canadian Thanksgiving is thought to have occurred in 1578, when an explorer Martin Frobisher held a Thanksgiving celebration for surviving his journey from England.

\*The first Thanksgiving meal occurred during November 1621 at Plymouth between the Wampanoag Indians and the Plymouth settlers and it lasted for three days.

\*There were no mashed potatoes, pumpkins pies, or even corn on the cob at the first Thanksgiving feast.

\* The drink that the Pilgrims brought for the thanksgiving feast was beer.

\*The Wampanoag Indians were the people who taught the Pilgrims how to cultivate the land.

\*President George Washington issued the first national Thanksgiving Day Proclamation in the year 1789 and again in 1795.

\*Abraham Lincoln declared Thanksgiving a national holiday in 1863.

\*Ben Franklin declared the "Turkey" to be the national bird.

\*The annual Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade begin in 1920 and Felix the Cat was the first Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade Balloon.

\*Approximately 280 million turkeys are consumed on Thanksgiving in the United States.



### Fun Facts about Veterans Day:

Veterans Day is an official United States public holiday, observed annually on November 11, that honors military veterans, that is, persons who served in the United States Armed Forces. It coincides with other holidays, including Armistice Day and Remembrance Day, celebrated in other countries that mark the anniversary of the end of World War I; major hostilities of World War 1 were formally ended at the 1th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month of 1918, when the Armistice with Germany went into effect. The United States previously observed Armistice Day. The U.S. holiday was renamed Veterans Day in 1954.

Veterans Day is not to be confused with Memorial Day; Veterans Day celebrates the service of all U.S. military veterans, while Memorial Day honors those who died while in military service. November 11 is both a State and Federal Holiday. Today, there exists about 1.8 million female veterans

Between 1971 and 1977, Veterans Day was celebrated on the fourth Monday in October. It was changed back to its original date, on November 11, 1978 due to a President Gerald R. Ford's signing of Public Law 94-97 (89 Stat 479). Arlington National Cemetery has ceremony on Veterans Day every year to honor those who died during times of war. The ceremonies are held around the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and at 11:00 A.M., on November 11, a combined color guard representing all military services executes "Present Arms at the tomb.

The word veteran comes from the nomenclature of the old English language, meaning <u>old experienced soldier</u>. The first use of the word veteran came to use in 1789, in the English language when referring to a former member of the armed forces or an ex-serviceman. The extended meaning of the word goes back to someone who has served a longtime in any position. California has more U.S. military veterans than any other state. There have been millions of heroes who have died for our country, and while these facts may be interesting and informative, remember these heroes sacrificed their lives so you could have a say in America.