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OCTOBER 2019



TRICK-OR-TREAT NIGHT IS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31st



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Due to recent undesirable activity on the Wild Wood bike path that links Wickham Forest to Sherwood, the Board would like to gather data on use of the bike path by Wickham Forest residents. Please email the WF Board at wickham-forest@google-groups.com if you or your family use the bike path regularly. Your identity will not be used for anything other than determining the volume of use of the bike path.

We have been working with the Melbourne Police Department on ways to deter the unwanted night-time 'visitors' to our neighborhood along the Wild Wood bike path. They suggested removing the large bushes next to this path and replacing them with something lower to the ground to make it more open. The homeowner next to the bike path has agreed to remove those bushes on his property. This will prevent unwanted traffic through the bike path from hiding themselves or other items in the bushes. Oak trees along the path will be trimmed back from obscuring the street lights. The HOA is responsible for this pruning. This will be completed as soon as possible to assure that we have a safe passage for those using the Wild Wood bike path.

If you are not receiving the WF Newsletter via e-mail, please provide the board with your email address so you can keep up to date on the monthly news and emergency alerts that we blast out via email.

September 2019 Board Meeting

September 18, 2019

Board Members Present: Nancy Phillips (President), Mary Greenfield (1st VP), Janet Smith (Secretary) Lian Larracas (Treasurer)

Others Present: Pam Clark (Admin Asst.), seven homeowners

Minutes

Nancy called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. A quorum of four board members were present.

Minutes from the July 2019 meeting were approved

Financial report was given by Lian and approved.

Mary (1st VP) reported that Prolawn plans to complete work on the Wood Haven island on Friday (20th) They will remove the dead tree and replace it, and also install some new plants. She will get a quote from Prolawn for planting dwarf ixora plants at the entrance to Wickham Forest in front of the existing copperleaf plants. Purchase of these plants was approved at a previous meeting. Board agreed on the gold colored ixora for this project.

Pond algae continues to be a problem in the retention ponds due to the summer heat. A homeowner asked about the grasses growing in the ponds that seem to be excessive. Mary will speak to Ecor about the algae and grasses.

Pam presented options for the entrance message board from three companies. The board unanimously approved allocating \$3,000 for purchase and installation of the sign. It will be placed on the north side of Forest Run in the easement lot at the entrance, and will be visible to residents when driving west to exit the neighborhood.

Discussion on how to be sure all homeowners/residents are receiving the newsletter and emergency notices which are now distributed electronically. The board doesn't have email addresses for about a third of the neighborhood. Decision was made to put this in the monthly newsletter, in the annual dues letter, and to put a notice on the message board once it is installed, to encourage more residents to submit their emails for distribution of information.

Spoke about the possibility of using solar-generated fountains or aerators in the ponds to keep water moving and discourage formation of algae. More research is needed to find out information on the possibility.

Some homeowners are noticing air potato plants growing in the conservation areas behind their homes. This plant is invasive and has negative effects on the natural vegetation. Janet presented information she found on Air Potato Beetles that may be available through US Dept of Agriculture and University of Florida. Janet will speak with someone from the local extension office to find out more information.

At the request of the Board, the county was asked to conduct a traffic study on the Wickham Forest entrance. We were hoping that traffic lights north and south of our entrance could be coordinated to allow a window of passage for exiting Wickham Forest. After months of waiting on a response, Nancy received a report stating that it was inconclusive. Of course, it also indicated that the study was done on a school morning, and lasted well less than an hour – not a total reflection of all the traffic issues faced by our residents throughout the day. Nancy requested that the board gather questions to submit to the county regarding the study, and she would pursue it again.

One neighbor responded to the newsletter request for persons willing and able to help elderly and/or disabled residents with such things as storm shutters and power washing. We will request volunteers again in the October newsletter.

We do have a volunteer to assist with a Florida Natural landscaping committee to set up guidelines for such landscaping. However, that homeowner does not wish to chair the committee. So again, we will advertise in the newsletter for volunteers. Janet will also discuss this with the local extension office to find out if they have any suggestions for guidelines.

WFHOA Board Minutes continued...

A discussion on proposed changes to the violation letter procedure resulted in a vote to change from 3 letters to 2 letters prior to issuing a fine. It was noted that some homeowners repeatedly ignore the notices until after a third notice is received, and then make corrections to avoid a fine. By law, according to the board attorney, only one notice is required before a fine is issued, so we would still be giving residents enough time to correct the infraction. This notice will be included in the dues letters mailed in January 2020, and will become effective March 1, 2020.

Nancy asked for a volunteer to erect the signage for the fall yard sale. It takes more than one person, and someone with strength to put the poles into the ground. She will ask the homeowner who placed it previously.

A discussion to alter the board members' terms of service, currently voted on yearly, was tabled for a future meeting.

A homeowner present at the meeting suggested that we reinstate the "Yard of the Month" program that was discontinued a few years ago. This would require a committee of at least three members. We will advertise it in the next newsletter for volunteers.

A new homeowner proposed that we hold a community Chili Cook-Off to meet and greet neighbors. The proposal to hold it on a cul-de-sac in the neighborhood would require city permits, budgeting finances for it, and a host of regulations. If it could be held at a nearby community park, it may be possible in the future. Consideration will be given for this event in the next year's budget.

Individuals continue to park on the vacant utility lot on the north side of the entrance to Wickham Forest. Board voted to install a sign stating that vehicles parking there will be towed at the vehicle owner's expense.

Residents living near the islands on Forest Run report that landscapers left trash. Mary will speak to them about removing all trash from islands.

Nine welcome bags have been delivered so far in 2019 to greet new residents.

Motion to adjourn at 8:40 PM.



The next WFHOA Board meeting will be held Wednesday, October 16, 2019. The meeting will be located at 4245 Wood Haven Drive. Homeowners are encouraged to attend.



REMEMBER:

Wickham Forest Community Yard Sale is scheduled for Saturday, October 19, 2019 from 8:00am—3:00 pm. GET READY!!!

Upcoming Fall Activities in Melbourne

Boo at the Zoo

Saturdays and Sundays

Oct. 11-13, Oct. 18-20, Oct. 25-27 from 5:30 – 8:00/9:00

Closing times and prices vary depending on the date. Zoo members receive a discount.

<https://brevardzoo.org/special-events/boo-at-the-zoo/>



Space Coast Halloween Fest

Melbourne Auditorium

625 Hibiscus Blvd. E

Sunday, October 20th from 11:00am - 4:00pm

Free admission, parking, and activities

Trick or treat with vendors, bounce houses, photo booth, balloon animals, face painting, laser tag, and more. First 1,500 trick-or-treaters are guaranteed candy.

<https://www.eventbrite.com>



Trick or Treat | Melbourne Main Street - Downtown Melbourne

Trunk or Treat with the **Melbourne** Police Department!

Saturday, October 26, 2019 from 11:00am to 2:00pm.

Bring your boys and ghouls Downtown to **Melbourne** City Hall

<https://downtownmelbourne.com> › main-street-events › trick-or-treat

Satellite Beach Founder's Day Parade and Marketplace

November 02, 2019

1089 S. Patrick Drive
Satellite Beach, FL 32937
Time start: 9:00 AM

Satellite Beach celebrates their annual Founders Day with the Satellite Beach Woman's Club Marketplace featuring more than 100 craft and specialty vendors, at the DRS Community Center. They look forward to enjoying this year's parade, themed "A Walk on the Moon," celebrating the 50th Anniversary of Apollo 13th landing. Save the Date to join in the festivities of the day!

Upcoming events at Wickham Park

5th Annual Kidtober Fest

Saturday, October 26th from 3-10 pm

Food trucks, t-shirt launches, costume contests, candy, hayrides, and more

Movie—"Hocus Pocus"

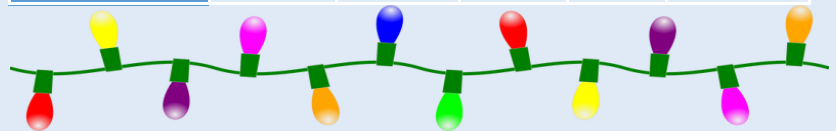
**Every Thursday from 3-6 pm - Brevard County Farmers Market
Wickham Park Horse Stables**

A Note from the WFHOA Board

Please continue to check your property for mildew/rust/oil stains. If you see areas that need preventative maintenance on your property, please take it upon yourself to pressure wash, remove mildew, or get ARC approval to repaint. When purchasing in Wickham Forest, we all knew we were buying in a deed restricted community and as such would be held to a higher standard. We, as homeowners, should be proud of our own homesteads and want to keep them and all property values in Wickham Forest as high as possible! Thank you for making our neighborhood one of the most beautiful and desirable places to live in Melbourne.



Violation Type	1st	2nd	3rd	Fines	Lien Notice
Commercial Sign	1				
Mildew	2				
Shutters	10				
Vegetation	2				



HELP NEEDED!! We need volunteers to set up the Christmas decorations at the entrance to Wickham Forest the Saturday after Thanksgiving. If you are able to help, please email the Board at wickham-forest@googlegroups.com OR contact one of the board members directly. Phone numbers are listed on the front page of the newsletter.



Two reminders when driving in Wickham Forest:

- ~Speed limit throughout our subdivision is **25 mph**. Slow down to keep everyone safe!
- ~Stay to the right side of the islands on Forest Run whichever way you are driving!!

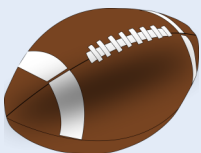


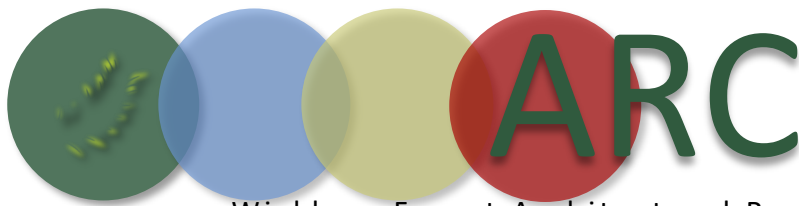
Contact the WFHOA Board if you are willing and able to serve!! Wickham-forest@googlegroups.com

- 1. To assist elderly/disabled residents with yard work and storm shutters**
- 2. To serve on a committee to determine guidelines for Florida Natural Landscaping**
- 3. To create a "Yard of the Month" committee**

Local High School Football Games (7:00 pm)

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| October 11 - | Satellite HS @ Orangewood Christian |
| | Atlantic @ Eau Gallie HS |
| | Melbourne HS @ St. Cloud |
| | Viera HS @ Tohopekaligna |
| October 18 - | Satellite HS @ Melbourne Central Catholic |
| | Viera HS @ St. Cloud |
| October 25 - | Satellite HS @ Space Coast |
| | Eau Gallie HS @ Merritt Island HS |
| | Melbourne HS @ Viera HS |
| November 1 - | IMG Academy White @ Satellite HS |
| | Eau Gallie HS @ Melbourne HS |





Wickham Forest Architectural Review September 2019

Members Present: Nestor Colon, Linda Beckwith, Susie Nichols, Bob Bruno

Approved Requests

2465 BENT PINE ST. REPLACE ROOF WITH SIMILAR COLOR SHINGLES: DRIFTWOOD	4500 SWEET BAY AVE. REPLACE WOOD FENCE WITH 6 FOOT WHITE VINYL FENCE
2520 BENT PINE ST. REPAINT HOUSE; MAIN: THISTLE GRAY, TRIM: COTTON BALL	2500 WILD WOOD DR. REPLACE ROOF WITH SIMILARU COLOR SHINGLES: BROWNWOOD
2520 BENT PINE ST. INSTALL SATELLITE ANTENNA ON GROUND MOUNT	4545 WILLOW BEND DR. REPLACE ROOF WITH SIMILAR COLOR SHINGLES: DESERT TAN
2755 FOREST RUN DR. REPLACE ROOF WITH SIMILAR COLOR SHINGLES: ANTIQUÉ SILVER	4620 WILLOW BEND DR. REPAINT HOUSE GABLES WITH SAME COLOR PAINT; MAIN: WHITE, TRIM: WHITE
2840 FOREST RUN DR. REPLACE FENCE WITH SAME BROWN, WOOD, BOARD- ON-BOARD MATERIALS	4755 WILLOW BEND DR. REPLACE GARAGE DOOR WITH NEW AMARR ENTREMATIC WHITE STEEL GARAGE DOOR
4300 WOOD HAVEN DR. REPLACE EXISTING ROOF WITH TIMBERLINE MEDIUM GRAY SHINGLES	2610 FOREST RUN DR. REPLACE ROOF WITH LANDMARK PRO: COBBLESTONE GRAY
2520 RED MAPLE PL. REPAINT HOUSE WITH RICHARDS PAINT MAIN: 3AM LATTE #0175 TRIM: WHITE GLOVE #0015	Homeowner Request Denied: REPLACE ROOF WITH DIFFERENT COLOR SHINGLES: BROWNWOOD. NEW ROOF COLOR DOES NOT BLEND WELL WITH EXISTING HOUSE COLORS; MAIN: WHITE, TRIM: GRAY. SUGGESTED CHOOSING A GRAYISH COLOR FROM THEIR ROOFING COMPANY'S PALETTE

Our next ARC meeting will be **October 9, 2019** at 7:00 P.M. 4400 Wild Oak Ct.

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! All projects must be started within six months or a new request will have to be submitted. Also, remember to check the covenants or with the ARC members if you have any questions regarding exterior changes.

Chairperson: Nestor Colon

E-mail: ncolonwfarc@gmail.com

Susie Nichols • Linda Beckwith • Bob Bruno • Bernadette Pinto (alt)



Banking Summary

September 2019

INCOME

Income Dues	163.00
Income Fees	525.00
Income Late Fees	25.00
Interest Income	0.20
TOTAL INCOME	713.20

EXPENSES

Admin Fee	1,000.00
Bush Hog Work	2,050.00
Electricity	102.02
Landscaping	1,400.00
Ponds	400.00

TOTAL EXPENSES 4952.02

OVERALL TOTAL -4238.82



NOTICE TO HOMEOWNERS!!

Interested in volunteering to serve on the WF Board of Directors next year? Please submit your resume by email to wickham-forest@googlegroups.com OR by mail to PO Box 410621 Melbourne, FL 32941-0621

Another upcoming event of interest!!

INDIAN RIVER LAGOON DAY

Saturday, November 9th from 10am – 2pm
Front Street Park
2210 Front Street, Melbourne

Learn about the Lagoon.

Exhibitor booths, volunteer opportunities, Hands-on learning

Music, Food, Arts & Crafts Vendors
Free Kayaking, Kids' Activities

Hook Kids on Fishing program 9-11am Registration required.
Call Summer Kessler at (321)508-0201

Rain Barrel Workshop 11-noon Registration required.
Call Nicole Broquet at (321)725-7775

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 at wickham-forest@googlegroups.com.

A few reminders regarding our Community and Covenants:

1. Garbage is picked up on Tuesdays and Fridays. Recycling is picked up Wednesdays. Trash, garbage or other waste shall not be kept on any Lot except in sanitary containers or garbage compactor units. Garbage containers, if any, shall be kept in a clean and sanitary condition, and shall be so placed or screened as not to be visible from any road or adjacent property within sight distance of the Lot. **Trash, refuse and garbage shall not be placed at curbside earlier than 5:00 p.m. on the evening before scheduled pickup.**
2. 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.
3. For Bulk Items: Contact Waste Management to schedule a bulk items pick up (including furniture). These items can be placed at the curb on Fridays. The truck that picks up the yard trash will return later in the day to pick up bulk items. For more information contact Waste Management at 321-723-4455.
4. Waste Management trucks are automated, maned by only one employee. Therefore, any trash NOT in the garbage bin WILL NOT be picked up.
5. **If you are planning to paint your home or plan any exterior changes, to include Roofs and Fences, 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, regardless of the current color.



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	(321) 674-5726
City of Melbourne Water Department (Emergency)	(321) 255-4622
Report a Pothole: City of Melbourne	(321) 953-6231
FPL Power Outages, Meter Checks	(800) 468-8243
Florida City Gas leaks, odors	(888) 352-5325
Waste Management	(321) 723-4455
Bus Transportation	(321) 242-6497
Brevard County Animal Control (This number may redirect to the Brevard County Sheriff's Office.)	(321) 633-2024

