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A Quarterly Newsletter Published for Members and Friends of Wingfield Reserve

SUMMER CLEAN UP PRIORITIES

We are coming out of an extremely mild winter and Wingfield Reserve is heating up and bursting into the high-growth season. Our community's location, appearance and quality of life make it an attractive and competitive neighborhood, and homes are selling more quickly as the real estate market strengthens.

Your homeowners association works hard in spring and early summer to keep the neighborhood looking its best. Now is a great time for homeowners to look at their properties and take care of needed maintenance, before the summer heat and humidity make outside work more difficult. Here are some priority areas.

WEED CONTROL

This year has had an especially "weedy" start, with generations of "Rocket weeds", dollar weed, sedge grass and invasive plants popping up on properties everywhere. Now is the time to check your yard and planted areas and either weed & feed, spread mulch, apply liquid turf controls or remotivate your lawn-care specialist if you use one. Weed control will only get tougher as the plants mature, spread seeds and propagate.

LAWN MAINTENANCE

Dead areas should be resodded, turf affected by crabgrass or insects should be treated and fertilized. Grassy easements between sidewalks and curbs require special attention because they tend to heat up, dry out and diminish your property's appearance. Check your irrigation system timer, run it through a complete cycle while inspecting sprinkler heads, then make adjustments or repairs to save water while supporting your lawn's health.

TREES AND SHRUBS

Some flowering and tropical plants have been nipped by cold spells. Pruning of trees and shrubs and replacement of deteriorated plant materials will improve your property's attractiveness. Tree trimming and mistletoe/vine removal are good for plant health and are sensible hurricane season preparations.

EXTERIOR ROOFING, PAINT AND TRIM

Many residents have reroofed, rescreened or repainted in the past few years. If you haven't, now is the time to inspect your home and take preventive action. Are you missing shingles or seeing moldy trim, faded paint or rusting metalwork? Now is the time to pressure wash and make repairs or get quotes from reputable contractors.

FENCING

Deteriorated fencing should be replaced. Please remember that fence replacement requires prior ARB approval.

SCREENING FROM VIEW

Heat pumps, pool filters, water treatment equipment and propane tanks must be screened from view from both the street and adjacent properties. Deteriorated screening partitions and/or declining plantings should be replaced.

MAILBOX STRUCTURES

Are your mailbox and cover in good condition or could they use a touch of spray paint? Is your mailbox structure leaning and needing to be straightened? Is the exterior structure in good condition with address numerals visible?

DRIVEWAYS AND WALKWAYS

Pressure cleaning can make a great improvement in your property's safety and appearance. Driveways should be unstained, free of trash cans, gardening tools and materials, and are not appropriate for long-term storage of temporary play structures. Older cement driveways can break up and become unsightly; at some point they will need to be replaced. Walkways also need an occasional pressure cleaning to remove slippery mildew accumulations and stains... especially under overhanging trees.

Thanks to all Wingfield Reserve neighbors who have already started this summer's cleanup!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Dale James, *WRHA Board President*

I would like to thank our outgoing president, Staci Farley, for her time and dedication to our community in leading the Wingfield Reserve Board of Directors during the past two years. We also want to thank outgoing director Louis Joachim for his time and leadership on the Board. We welcome Jay Exum and John Valentine to the Board as new directors, joining Mike Bledsoe, Tom Wilson and myself. Our Board members volunteer their time to serve, so that we can maintain the integrity and value of our beautiful neighborhood!

We encourage you to join our private **Facebook group**, "**Wingfield Reserve Residents**", where you can ask neighbors for recommendations on baby-sitters, dry-cleaners, contractors, or find out what's going on in the neighborhood. The Facebook page is only open to residents of Wingfield, and it provides a good forum for communication with your neighbors.

Please visit our website, wingfieldreserve.org, to find information such as upcoming events, ARB forms and documents, our member directory (available to residents only by password), important community numbers and other contact information. If you are not receiving our information by e-mail, please update us by sending your name and e-mail address to: wingfieldhoa@gmail.com.

A reminder regarding the **street lights** in the neighborhood: If you notice a light out, or a light coming

on during the day instead of at night, you can report it directly to Duke Energy. There is an on-line form under outages/request street light repair that asks for the nearest house address so they can locate the street light and send someone out.

We are currently in the process of renovating the **tennis court**. The new fence has been installed and the resurfacing will begin this month. Improvements will keep the court in top condition for play, solely for the use of our residents and their guests.

Neighborhood **security** is a high priority and we encourage you to be aware. If you see any suspicious activity or car that looks suspicious, Seminole County Sheriff's office advises you to call 911 (or the non-emergency number: 407-665-6650). They are quick to respond and encourage us to call, even if it's just for them to come and check it out. Remember to lock your cars when parked in the driveway and utilize the Sheriff's "House Watch" while on vacation. (See website for form).

We want to welcome our new neighbors! We have some new families moving into the neighborhood and we want to get to know you. Our **social committee**, led by Becca Geeslin, will be planning some "meet and greet" coffees and neighborhood get-togethers, like our Ice Cream Social held on May 17th. Please join us for these events, and join our Facebook page so we can connect with you!

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WINGFIELD RESERVE SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

What a great turnout for our annual Wingfield Reserve Neighborhood Ice Cream Social which took place Sunday May 17th! It seems to get bigger each year! It was wonderful to see everyone and a great way to jump into summer! Jeremiah's big green ice cream truck served ice cream and Italian ice's this year, and we enjoyed music, games and face painting! Have a great summer everyone, and be sure to go to our Facebook page and like us to follow our neighborhood events! If you would like to get involved in planning our social events throughout the year, please e-mail someone on the Social Committee, we would love to have you!

Warm Regards from your Social Committee,

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WINGFIELD RESERVE LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE NEWS



I can't believe it's the beginning of June and it's 90 degrees outside! It's going to be a hot summer. Please continue to use your sprinklers on the appropriate day and also in the early morning. The St. Johns River Water Management District has the following restrictions in place:

WATERING IS LIMITED TO 2 DAYS PER WEEK

Odd Numbered Addresses: Wednesday & Saturday Only

Even Numbered Addresses: Thursday & Sunday Only

No watering is allowed between 10:00 a.m. & 4:00 p.m. any day of the week. There are some exceptions like new planting, wells etc. For more information about the rules and exceptions, please visit www.floridaswater.com.

Our common grounds look good since it was such a mild winter. Annuals have been planted at both entrances and more to come along the brick walls. The South entrance will be undergoing a minor relandscape, like filling in bare spaces and replacing old plant material.

If you notice a street light out, you can contact Duke Energy at duke-energy.com and it should be fixed within days. All they need is an address or cross street.

June is usually the rainy season and it would be wise to clean gutters, and make sure all drainage systems are in good working order.

STAY COOL AND HAVE A HAPPY SUMMER!!

Staci Farley, *Landscape Committee Chairperson*

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2015-2016 SEMINOLE COUNTY STUDENT ATTENDANCE CALENDAR

August 10-14	Teacher Workdays
August 17	First Day of Student Attendance <i>Start of 1st Semester/1st Quarter</i>
September 7	School System Closed
September 14	Schools Closed
October 16	<i>End of 1st Quarter</i>
October 19	Schools Closed for Students Teacher Workday Make-Up Day #1 (if needed)
October 20	<i>Start of 2nd Quarter</i>
November 25	Schools Closed
November 26-27	School System Closed
December 16-18	Early Release Days for Students
December 18	End of 2nd Quarter
December 21	Schools Closed for Students Teacher Workday Make-Up Day #2 (if needed)
Dec. 22-Jan. 1	School System Closed – Winter Break
January 4	Classes Resume <i>Start of 3rd Quarter</i>
January 18	School System Closed
February 15	School System Closed
March 17	<i>End of 3rd Quarter</i>
March 18	Schools Closed for Students Teacher Workday Make-Up Day #3 (if needed)
March 21-25	School System Closed – Spring Break
March 28	Classes Resume <i>Start of 4th Quarter</i>
May 24, 25 & 26	Early Release Days for Students
May 26	Last Day of Student Attendance <i>End of 4th Quarter</i>
May 27 & 31	Post-Planning Workdays for Teachers

BE BEAR AWARE: The Bear Facts:

- Putting trash on the curbside the night before pickup or feeding pets outside can, and often does, attract bears.
- Bears can smell food from more than a mile away. If they are rewarded with an easy meal, they learn quickly to return to the scene.
- Not only is our safety as humans jeopardized, our pets are also threatened by these innocent intruders looking for a free meal. Our pets will try to defend “their” turf and are no match for a hungry bear on a mission. Remember that anything that will attract dogs, cats, or raccoons will also attract Black Bears.
- Black Bears roaming Wingfield Reserve in search of food may damage property or become a threat to our safety, which will typically result in the nuisance Black Bear being euthanized by the Florida Wildlife Commission.

We need to work together to take away the easy pickings for the Buffet Dining Bear by not placing our food spoils out the evening before designated trash days. Covered trash containers will also help eliminate the wandering odors of the food spoils, and assist in stopping of the “Ringing of the Dinner Bell” for bears.

RED HOT AND BOOM

The City of Altamonte Springs will host their 20th Annual Independence Day Celebration on Friday, July 3rd beginning at 4:00 p.m. This event will include live entertainment, children’s activities, vendor booths, food, drinks and culminate with a 25 minute firework display beginning at 9:30 p.m. Visit www.uptownaltamonte.com and click on the events link for more details.

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HURRICANE SEASON IS HERE

Hurricane season, which began June 1st, extends until through November each year. A total of nine named storms, five hurricanes and one major hurricane are expected this season, according to The Weather Channel's prediction. A major hurricane is defined as a `Category 3 or stronger on the Saffir-Simpson Hurricane Wind Scale.

Central Florida residents should be prepared in case severe storms pass through our area in the coming months. Experts recommend that you plan to be self-sufficient for up to one week. It is recommended that you have the following supplies before a severe storm strikes:

- A one week minimum supply of nonperishable food on hand that does not need to be reheated, refrigerated and needs little or no water in preparation
- A two week supply of prescription drugs
- Special dietary foods
- Cash or traveler's checks
- Blankets/sleeping bags, flashlight and batteries with extra bulbs
- Bottled water (one gallon per person per day, for one week) and water containers
- Full tank of gas in car and extra set of keys
- Important papers (valid ID) and personal items
- Valuables, ice chest and cooler
- Extra clothing
- Infant necessities, including a two-week supply of disposable diapers
- Emergency cooking facilities and nonelectric can opener
- Safety matches in a waterproof container
- Battery powered clock
- Plastic drop cloth/tarp
- Oil lamps/lanterns with extra oil
- Portable, battery-powered radio with extra batteries
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HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

Architectural Review Board (ARB) approval is valid for twelve months. Construction must start within this period. Violations of these requirements constitute a violation of the Association documents.

- All approved construction activities are to be completed within twelve months from start.
- Construction vehicles, equipment, materials and dumpsters can not be left in the street overnight.
- Measures are to be taken to prevent all damage to adjacent properties.
- Activities that produce noise that can be heard inside adjacent properties are to be minimized and restricted to the period from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Construction vehicles are to be parked on the same side of the street and in front of the construction property without obstructing driveways.
- Outside loud music by contractors is not allowed.
- The street pavement must be kept clean and free of debris.
- It is the homeowner's responsibility to promptly report street pavement and curb damage to Seminole County Public Works.
- Homeowner/Contractor is to make a best effort to minimize damage to the property's landscaping and to restore same before completion of the work.



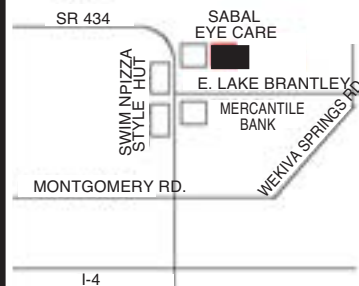
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WHAT INSECTS ARE COMMONLY FOUND IN FLORIDA LAWNS AND HOW CAN I CONTROL THEM?

Certain insects and related pests are very common in Florida lawns. Southern chinch bugs, spittlebugs, grass scales and

Bermuda grass mites suck plant juices. Mole crickets, white grubs and billbugs live in the soil and damage the grass roots. Other pests, including sod webworms, grass loopers and armyworms eat the grass leaves. Additional insects and related pests such as fleas, millipedes, chiggers, sow bugs and snails do not damage the lawn but may become nuisances by biting people or crawling into houses, garages and swimming pools.

An effective way to survey for chinch bugs, lawn caterpillars and mole crickets involves using a soap mixture applied with a 2-gallon sprinkling can. (This mixture is not effective in surveying for white grub or billbug larvae.) Mix 1½ fluid ounces of dishwashing detergent in a 2-gallon sprinkling can full of water, and drench four square feet with this solution. Observe the area for about two minutes. If the above pests are present, they will emerge to the grass surface and can be detected. If no insects are found in the first area checked, examine at least three or four other places in the suspected areas.

It is important to note that insects are only one of the many causes of yellowish or brownish areas in grass. Disease, nematodes, dry weather and nutritional disorders are sometimes responsible for such injury. Homeowners should be sure of their diagnosis before treating their lawns in order to prevent the needless use of pesticides and extensive damage to the grass.

When spraying for control of soil insects (mole crickets, white grubs and billbugs), the turf should be moist at the time of application. Immediately after spraying the insecticide, irrigate with about ½ inch of water to leach the insecticide into the soil where the insects are feeding. For control of surface feeders (chinch bugs, lawn caterpillars, Bermuda grass mites, grass scales and spittlebugs), don't irrigate after application. Granular formulations for the recommended insecticides may be substituted for sprays in controlling chinch bugs, webworms, mole crickets, white grubs or billbugs. If applied for soil insects (mole crickets, white grubs or billbugs), irrigate with about ½ inch of water immediately after applying.

To help prevent unnecessary environmental contamination and the reduction of beneficial insects, spot treatments can be applied when infestations are first noticed and the damaged area is small. Treat the off-color area and about a 10-foot buffer area surrounding it. If damage is widespread over the yard or if many infested areas are detected, the entire yard should be treated. After treatment has been completed, inspect the area two to three times at biweekly intervals to determine if the infestation is under control.

HOW MUCH SHOULD I WATER?

For most Florida soils, no more than ¾ of an inch of water is necessary for each irrigation period to wet the top eight to twelve inches of the root zone. Irrigate when the turf begins to wilt. It is important not to overwater in order to avoid nutrient leaching, increased pest problems, shallow rooting and water waste. If possible, water early in the morning. Do not water too late in the day because grass blades remain wet for a longer period of time, thus, increasing the chances for fungal disease development.

ARE YOU GOING ON A TRIP SOON?

If you are, please take advantage of this wonderful FREE program. A form must be filled out and given to the Sheriff's Office prior to your departure. For more information about this program and how to sign up, please visit the Sheriff's Office website at <http://www.seminolesheriff.org/external/InfoSitepage.aspx?pageID=228>.

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