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A Quarterly Newsletter Published for Members and Friends of Wingfield Reserve

SPRING CLEAN UP PRIORITIES

We are coming out of our winter season and Wingfield Reserve will soon be 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

March usually marks the beginning of the "weedy" season with generations of "rocket weeds", dollar weed, sedge grass and invasive plants popping up on properties. Check your yard and planted areas and either weed and 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 in advance to all Wingfield Reserve neighbors for staying on top of this spring's cleanup!

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

by Dale James, *WRHA Board President*

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2017!

We are happy to have the opportunity to live and serve in our beautiful community of Wingfield Reserve. Welcome to all of our new neighbors! If we can better serve you, or if you have any requests or suggestions, please email the Wingfield Reserve board members at wingfieldhoa@gmail.com or our community manager, Marlo Sanders of Sentry Management at msanders@sentrymgt.com. You can also access our website: www.wingfieldreserve.org for community information, forms, member directory and other updates.

We want to remind everyone that an Architectural Review Board (ARB) approval form must be submitted to Sentry Management before any exterior work is performed on your house or landscape. This includes exterior painting, additions to your home, new roof, driveways, fences, cutting down trees, or any other exterior modifications to your house or property. You may obtain the form from our website, or from Marlo at Sentry Management. She can be reached at (407) 788-6700, extension 51111.

The Wingfield Reserve Annual Homeowners Association Meeting will be held on February 27th at 6:30 p.m. at the Seminole County Sheriff's Department, which is located at 805 Primera Boulevard in Lake Mary. All residents are welcome and encouraged to attend. We will

have security updates, year-end reports and election of officers, and we hope to see you there!

Please watch your email for upcoming social events in the neighborhood. The Social Committee would love your help! If you are interested in helping with upcoming social events, please get in touch with Becca at rebecca.geeslin@gmail.com.

We currently have an opening for a position on our Architectural Review Board (ARB). If you would like to serve the community in this capacity, please contact Marlo Sanders of Sentry Management at msanders@sentrymgt.com for more details.

Our Landscape Committee oversees the planting, care and landscaping of our common areas at both entrances and in the cul-de-sacs. If you would like to help with this committee, please contact Staci Farley at sgfarley@aol.com.

A reminder to everyone to keep car doors locked when parked in driveways, and report any suspicious activity by calling 911. If you are going on vacation, you may contact the Sheriff's office for a house-watch form (non-emergency number: 407-665-6650) and an officer will check on your house while you are away.

**WE WISH ALL OUR RESIDENTS
A SAFE AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

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HOW SECURE IS YOUR HOME?

RESIDENTIAL SECURITY ASSESSMENTS

The Seminole County Sheriff's Office offers very informative free Residential Security Assessments. Seminole County residents can schedule having a Crime Prevention practitioner, a trained professional in all areas of residential and commercial security, come to their residence and identify vulnerabilities that may make their home a target for criminal activities. The evaluation takes about forty-five minutes to complete and is scheduled at the homeowner's convenience. When the assessment is completed, the resident is given a written checklist of items that need to be addressed along with recommendations.

The purpose of the assessment is not to make your home "Burglar Proof", but more "Burglar Resistant". Remember, security measures are never convenient. It's your decision as to what recommended measures you wish to implement. There are numerous layers of security available. Obviously, the more layers of protection implemented, the more secure your property will be. In the end, you will have to decide what measures are most appropriate for your situation and lifestyle.

Taking a walk around the perimeter and interior of your home, during both daytime and evening hours, is one of the best ways to prepare for a home security assessment. Try to view your home through the eyes of a burglar and ask yourself the following questions:

- *Can you identify areas around your home that the burglar may choose as an entry point?*
- *Are there broken locks on your doors or windows?*
- *Can a passerby view the activity occurring inside your home at night?*
- *Are there any places around the property's perimeter that may be an ambush point or hiding place for an intruder?*

To set up an appointment or to obtain more information about residential security assessments please call the Seminole County Sheriff's Office at (407) 665-6480.

THE IMPORTANCE OF YOUR PROXY AT OUR ANNUAL HOMEOWNERS MEETING

The Wingfield Reserve Homeowners Association's Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, February 27, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Seminole County Sheriff's Office located at 805 Primera Boulevard in Lake Mary. At the meeting, the members will elect two new Directors to the Board. State law requires that 30% (fifty-five) of the owners be represented in person or by proxy to hold the Annual Meeting. It is very important that you return your completed proxy if you are not able to attend the meeting so that a quorum can be obtained to hold the Annual Meeting. Please do not put the proxy in the green ballot envelope and mail it with the ballot. Ballots are not opened until the night of the Annual Meeting when the vote is taken. Therefore your proxy would not count toward the quorum of fifty five required to hold the meeting. Please remember to sign the back of the "green" ballot envelope prior to mailing. There are two lines on the flap of the envelope for "Owner(s)" signature(s).

PROXY INSTRUCTIONS

1. On the first line of the proxy you may either fill in the name of someone you are certain will attend the meeting or leave the line blank and the secretary of the association will get your proxy.
2. Be sure to enter your address, print your name clearly and sign the form in the spaces provided.
3. Do not fill in the Substitution of Proxy section. The person you are naming as your proxy (or the secretary) will complete that section, if needed.
4. The completed proxy should be returned in the "blue" proxy envelope.

WINGFIELD RESERVE SOCIAL COMMITTEE NEWS

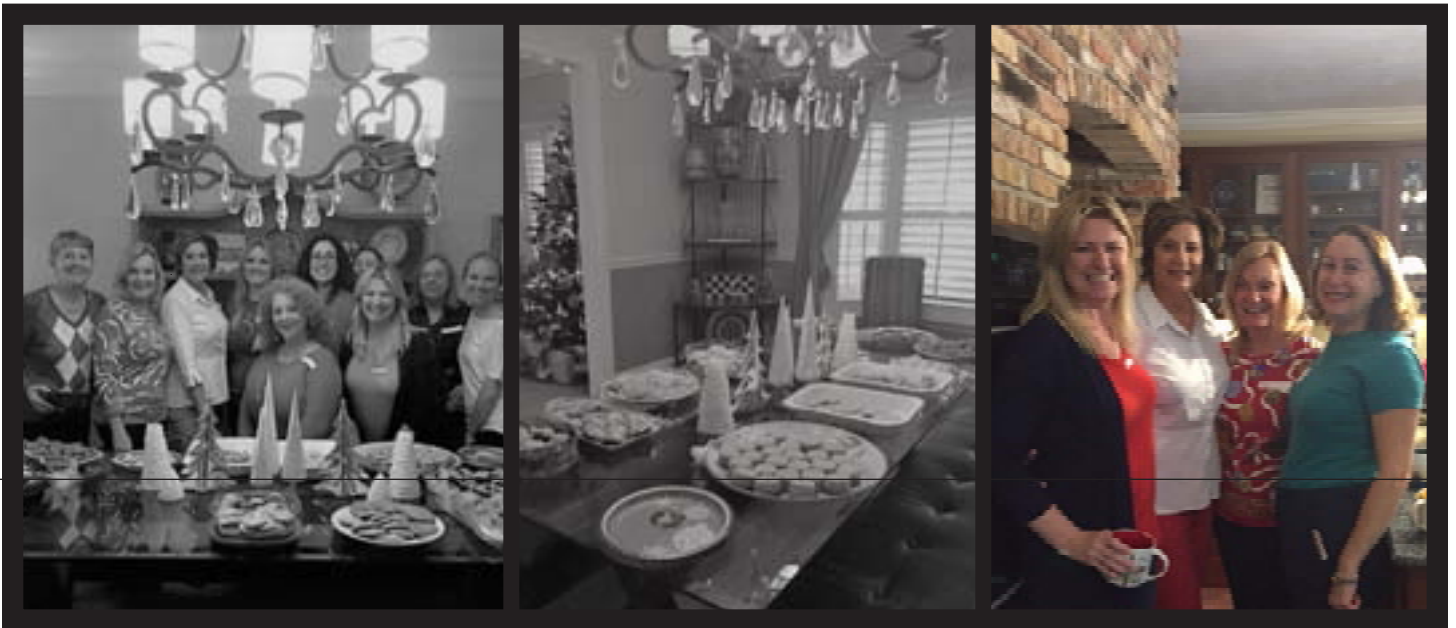
It's hard to believe that 2017 is already here! We had a very fun Coffee and Cookie Exchange at the home of Becca Geeslin, right before the holidays. It was so much fun to meet some new faces and the cookies were amazing! Thank you to all of those who attended.

We plan to have another morning Coffee in the near future. Look for information on Facebook, through Email, and on the Sign for dates and times. Our Ice Cream Social will be held in May, and we will post the date and time closer to the event date. Remember to check our website www.WingfieldReserve.org for updates, newsletters, and neighborhood information. **ALL THE BEST TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY!**

The Wingfield Reserve Social Committee,

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WOMEN'S SELF-DEFENSE CLASS OFFERED BY SEMINOLE COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

SAFE (Self-Awareness and Familiarization Exchange) is a crime prevention program hosted by the Seminole County Sheriff's Office. It is designed to teach women basic safety and awareness skills and best practices for reducing the risk of being a victim. During the two hour class, certified instructors demonstrate basic techniques.

SAFE classes are two hours long and class size is limited to twenty-five participants. Classes are taught by certified instructors and are only open to women. Participants must be at least thirteen years old and class members under the age of eighteen must be accompanied by an adult.

Upcoming class dates are February 23rd, March 28th, April 10th and May 11th. For more information about SAFE and/or to register, please visit www.seminolesheriff.org or contact the Public Affairs Division at (407) 665-6880.

CRANES ROOST SUNSET CINEMA

SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2016 • 7:00 P.M TO 9:00 P.M.

Bring your blankets and chairs to relax under the stars and enjoy The Secret Life of Pets at Cranes Roost Plaza in Uptown Altamonte on Saturday, March 11th from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. For more information about this free event, please visit www.uptownaltamonte.com.

TRAFFIC TICKET EMAIL SCAM ALERT

The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV) is warning consumers that they may be targeted by a company representing itself as the DHSMV demanding payment for fraudulent citations. The company, which is not associated with the DHSMV in any way, will send emails to consumers requesting payment of a citation within a certain time frame and if the payment is not received on time, the company will falsely require a daily late fee payment. The email sent to consumers includes a linked payment page and email address. While the linked payment page appears to be inactive at this time, the DHSMV is warning consumers that this is a scam and no payment should be made. If a consumer has made a payment, they should refute the charge and take the appropriate security measures with their financial institution. Consumers should note the following:

- The DHSMV and Clerks of Court do not email citations to customers
- The DHSMV and Clerks of Court do not require citation payment via email;
- Citation numbers are always seven alphanumeric digits. If you receive a notice regarding a suspicious citation, you should contact the local Clerk of Court or call the DHSMV immediately.

A VERY HEARTY WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST RESIDENTS

Gregory & Krista Dusey

Gregory & Stephanie Mann

Shannon & Jennifer McGlothin

LET THERE BE LIGHT!

Please contact Duke Energy at 1-800-228-8485 if you notice street lamps in the Wingfield Reserve community that are out or working improperly. You can also send your request electronically by visiting <https://secure.progress-energy.com/sid/custservice/fla/selfservice/electric/streetlight>. They'll send a technician out to remedy the problem as soon as possible.

WINGFIELD RESERVE 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 Wingfield Reserve 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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WINGFIELD RESERVE ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW COMMITTEE NEWS

The Architectural Review Committee wants to thank all of you who respond favorably to notices received regarding upgrades or noncompliance issues on your lots. Overwhelmingly, we have more positive versus negative responses. The responsibility of the ARB is at times difficult because it is not our intent to create hard feelings with neighbors. It is our responsibility to uphold our governing documents which is what 183 homeowners had agreed to abide by when purchasing a home in our community.

With everyone's busy lifestyle, we sometimes overlook one of our major investments, our homes. Here is a quick reference of some common infractions we encounter concerning our governing documents:

- 1) Signs posted on lots advertising vendors working for homeowners.
- 2) Exterior changes to home, lots, landscaping that had not received pre-approval by the ARB – this includes changes to the driveway.
- 3) Curb appeal: mailbox cleaning, weeds treated; basketball backboards cleaned, painted/straightened, removal of dead shrubs, mulching
- 4) Vehicles parked on grass (not in keeping with community standards).
- 5) Trash cans placed at the curb for days or not being stored out of sight on off days.
- 6) Pressure cleaning, driveways/curbs, and homes
- 7) Trees being removed without approval and/or stumps remaining.

If you are unsure whether a project you plan needs ARB approval, contact Sentry Management for verification and please keep in mind, the Architectural Review Board has thirty days to approve homeowners' requests. While we make every effort to approve requests in a timely manner, it is not always possible with our schedules. It could be a costly oversight should you have to change a completed project. It is so important that we all do our part.

**Thanks again for your efforts to keep
Wingfield Reserve a premier community
in which to reside!**

WINGFIELD'S ANNUAL MEETING

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

The Wingfield Reserve Homeowners Association's Annual Meeting will be held on February 27, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. at the Seminole County Sheriff's Office located at 805 Primera Boulevard in Lake Mary. The annual homeowners meeting has both legal and functional purposes: to elect new board members, vote on assessment issues, etc., as well as being required by the Association's governing documents.

Less well known is the opportunity to hear about the association's value to homeowners and how your Association dues are being spent. Often times, communities, especially older associations like ours, have difficulty obtaining a quorum for their annual meetings. State law requires that 30% (fifty-five) of the owners be represented in person or by proxy to hold the Annual Meeting. This poses a serious problem for the association in that the business of the community – especially, the election of board members – depends upon the participation of homeowners.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

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WHEN DOES CHINCH BUG ACTIVITY USUALLY BEGIN?

Spring often marks the beginning of annual chinch bug activity. These insects cause yellow spots in the lawn that gradually enlarge. Adults are 1/5 inch long and black with white crossed wings. At the immature stage chinch bugs are red and the size of a pinpoint. Check sunny, warm areas for small yellowing patches that start to turn brown and enlarge. Examine the edges of these areas for chinch bugs. If the damaged area is fairly well contained, you can just treat the affected areas and a few feet around them with a lawn insecticide labeled for chinch bugs. Note that the damage usually continues for a few weeks after the pests are under control due to toxins placed in the grass runners by the bugs. After the bugs are eradicated, severely damaged turf will need replacement.

WHAT SHOULD I BE THINKING ABOUT WITH RESPECT TO PLANTING, WATERING & FERTILIZING MY LAWN AT THIS TIME OF YEAR?

March is a good month to begin filling in the bare spots in your landscape areas and/or establishing a new lawn. With respect to watering, established turf doesn't need a lot of water at this time of year. Most home lawns can last five to seven days or more between waterings if they have a deep root system. If your lawn doesn't have a well established root system, now is a good time to train your lawn to develop deeper root growth. One way you can help the lawn go a few extra days between waterings is to make sure you are cutting it at the highest recommended height. Research shows that the higher the leaf blade, the deeper the root system, and a deeper root system can absorb more water. Here are a few more tips to help your lawn go longer between waterings:

- Turn off the automatic sprinkler system and water only when needed.
- Allow the lawn to start developing some dry spots. A little moisture stress encourages root growth.
- Wait to water until the leaf blades in some spots begin to take on a gray-green color and fold inward.
- Give the lawn a good soaking at each watering by applying between 1/2 and 3/4 inches of water.
- Don't water again until the lawn shows a need.

February is a good time to apply the first fertilization application of the new year. When the grass blades are dry,

apply a complete fertilizer with a 16-4-8 or similar analysis. Distribute the fertilizer uniformly over the lawn. Use a spreader setting as a guide, or apply the recommended amount per 1,000 square feet of lawn. Make sure the spreader swaths overlap just a little to avoid yellow strips in the lawn. Water after the fertilizer has been applied.

It's also crabgrass control time. The trick to eliminating this weed is to prevent seed germination. Most crabgrass begins growth as the weather warms during the late winter. To effectively control this weed, growing crabgrass and dormant runners must be removed. Then a preemergence herbicide needs to be applied. Repeat treatments are often necessary. Crabgrass does not just germinate at one time of the year. Seeds sprout between the late winter and early fall in most areas.

UPTOWN ART EXPO

SATURDAY, MARCH 25TH 10:00 A.M. - 7:30 P.M.

SUNDAY, MARCH 26TH 10:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Cranes Roost Park will come alive with artisans showcasing their talents, color and music for the Uptown Art Expo on Saturday March 25th and Sunday, March 26th. Art, fine crafts and exhibits will be showcased with artist displays of jewelry, glass, mosaics, paintings, photography, pottery and sculpture. The juried displays are judged for cash prizes and ribbons and are available for purchase.

Visitors can enjoy artwork being created before their eyes at the chalk street painting competition. International street cuisine, good old-fashioned festival foods, and craft beer and wines will be offered. The event also features children's activities, street performer entertainment and live music performances in the Eddie Rose Amphitheater.

Admission is free. For more details about the Uptown Art Expo, please visit www.UptownArtExpo.com

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