

The Wedgefield News

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Guest Speakers

Two speakers this month, Ken Pelham, Landscape architect with Orange Parks And Recreation for an update on improvements at the park.

Ty Gillis with GAI will return with blueprints for concerned residents to review pertaining to how we will proceed with the widening of 520 at the entrances.

Directors Meeting 6:30 p.m.
General Members 7:30 p.m.
Wed., March 12, 2003
Wedgefield Golf Club

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Check out the member perks section on page 2 for the perk of the

Signs, Signs, Everywhere a Sign

Did you ever wonder why the county would remove some signs from the right-of-ways and swails on county roads or take enforcement action when the homebuilders' signs were allowed to stay? Well, for the last several years homebuilders and some others have been allowed to place signs in county right-of-ways on weekends under a pilot program. Recently, however, when renewal time came up for the program, concern was expressed that this program gave preferential treatment to a certain industry; and it was subsequently defeated. Although some leeway has been granted for the "word to get out," no signs will now be allowed in the right-of-ways or swails in unincorporated Orange County. No exceptions. If you see signs in these areas you can call Orange County Code Enforcement at 407-836-5505 and they will remove the signs immediately.

The Future of Wedgefield

By Bob Shephard

This Commission was formed at the suggestion of the incoming Board of Directors of the WHOA. It was felt by them that there was a significant need to get a community vision of the development of Wedgefield over the next ten years and to find a vehicle to let the residents have their say in this development. To that end, they chartered a Commission entitled the "The Future of Wedgefield" and gave it a "Charge" to develop a report by August 18, 2003. This report envisions suggesting options that the community will be able to weigh and debate regarding the future course of Wedgefield over the next ten years.

The commission met as a body on Saturday, January 25, 2003. After introductions it was found that the mix of Commissioners is indeed representative of the Community. Two are from the Estates area, two are from the City area, and one has properties in both the City and the Estates.

Over the next few months we will be interviewing federal, state and local officials regarding the future of Wedgefield and their planned involvement in our community. We also will be talking to local business owners for their input and ultimately reporting back to the community with our findings. We also reviewed several documents for historic content including a report created by Richard Breazzano and Karen Willis in 2000. It was agreed that any documents created in the past that had historic content would be valuable and save time.

Member Perks



Every month in this section there will be a new member perk for the month. It is a way of saying thank you to all the folks who have joined and support the WHOA. You will be receiving membership cards in the next week or so if you already have not received them. You must show your membership card to receive your discount. **For March the member perk will be a 10% discount on a breakfast entrée with tea or coffee at the Wedgefield Golf Club.** Just show your card to the waitress and receive your discount. It's that easy! The WHOA will then reimburse the Wedgefield Golf Club for all member discounts at the end of the month. Watch this section every month to see what perk is next. Hope you enjoy your breakfast!!

Community Yard Sale



Let's get all the stuff out of the attic and head over to The Wedgefield community yard sale. This year the sale will be held Saturday, March 22, 2003, from 8:00 a.m. till 4:00 p.m. We will be moving the sale from the park back to the front of the subdivision on Macon Parkway in front of the construction trailers at S.R. 520. Spaces will cost \$10.00 each; \$7.50 for WHOA members. You may contact Lorie Goodman at 407-568-7772 to reserve your spot early. Coffee, donuts, hotdogs, hamburgers and soft drinks will be available to purchase. So let's gather that stuff up and give us a call to reserve your spot now.

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A Message From The President



I have two topics for this month. They both involve Codes and Covenants. Some people will like one topic, some will like the other. But, as we all know, you can't please all the folks all the time.

I received a letter in the mail last week from a resident who was concerned and upset about a violation that was occurring in his "own backyard". In his letter he complained about a neighbor who was violating the Codes and Covenants and making his street unsightly. I highly commend that individual for taking the time to bring this to my attention. If we all followed his example and reported these regulations, there would be little need for any "enforcement action." We would in effect be self governing. Thanks for the letter.

Which brings me to my next topic. A good friend of mine stated to me that he did not believe the WHOA had the right to or should be enforcing the Codes and Covenants. My only response to that would be, somebody has to do it; without some sort of control, you can easily imagine how our neighborhood could rapidly deteriorate and destroy our property values.

My goal this year as president is to hopefully bring some understanding of the importance of having Codes & Covenants and subsequently enforcing them to the best of our ability. We are not perfect, and there will be a few that slip through the cracks. But with the help of all our members, it can be done. Indiscriminate complaining without the proper follow-through is not the answer. We know the proper channels to follow, so let's that way and see the results. Hope to see you at the next meeting.



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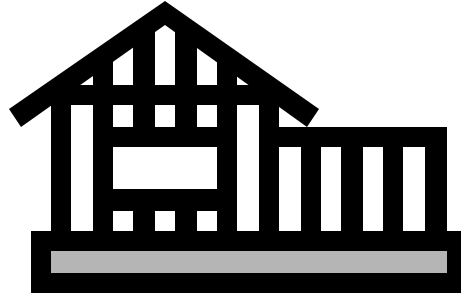
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Architectural Review



Should you be planning to build a new home or know someone who is and have questions about what the regulations are for square footage in certain area of Wedgefield, (there are different requirements in different areas) you should contact Gus at 407-921-2520 and he will give you a list of items for you to bring for your plan review. The ARC meets every Saturday at 7:30 a.m. at the Wedgefield Golf Club. The only time there is not a meeting is when no plans have been turned in for review the previous week. So if you would like to see what we are doing to protect your property values, feel free to stop by on Saturday morning. The ARC is always looking for volunteers to help out.

Wedgefield Church

ARC January Activity

Driveway Permits	20
Plans Reviewed	15
Welcome Letters	20
Construction without prior approval	
Violation letter #1	9
Violation letter #2	9
Request for attorney intervention	15

New Towing Regulations

On December 3^d of last year Orange County adopted new regulations regarding unlicensed vehicles. Under the new ordinance, all vehicles must have valid license plates or they will be considered junk vehicles and subject to towing after a 15-day notice period. In addition, if the registration sticker on the license plate is 90 days past the renewal date, the vehicle can be towed after 15 days.

And finally, the new ordinance gives Code Enforcement the right to issue a \$150 fine when junk vehicles are parked on residential streets. If you see vehicles without tags or tags out of date in your neighborhood, give them a call.

For further info on this, contact:
Code Enforcement at (407)836-5505.

Neighborhood Watch

Last month we wrote about looking into starting a Neighborhood Watch program in Wedgefield. Steve Crosby has agreed to look into what has to be done to get the program up and running. The most important part of it is neighborhood participation. Steve has received about ten calls from folks interested in being part of it, but we need a whole lot more for it to be effective. Next month we will lay out just how easy it is to put this program in action with the right participation. In the mean time please give Steve a call and let him know you are interested in becoming part of the chain needed for this to work. It is group involvement in things like this that makes a subdivision a neighborhood. Call Steve and offer your support. He can be reached at 407-568-1885

The Dance Connection Feb Newsletter

Codes & Covenants

By John McLean



The new Codes & Covenants committee met on Tuesday, February 11, 2003. It was decided at that time the committee wants to be informative first, with enforcement as a last recourse. The feeling is that we all live in the neighborhood and, I think, for the most part we all want the same things. A well kept subdivision where we can live and realize increased equity in our properties.

Spring is in the air and it's the time when you get out in your yard and start preparing for the summer months. While doing that, take a look around and see what needs fixing. If you have a boat, RV, construction trailer or equipment parked in the front yard or driveway, it is probably in the wrong place. Let's put that stuff where it belongs.

On March 11, 2003, we will be meeting again to see how everything looks in the community and issuing letters to residents in violation of the Codes & Covenants.

Codes and Covenants are a lot like the Sheriff's Department, nobody likes them until they need their help!. Let's all work together and get our area cleaned up. Until further notice the meetings will be held at the home of Tom & Charlene Minter at 2558 Ballard Ave. The second Tuesday of every month, The meeting starts promptly at 7:00 p.m. Feel free to stop by if you want to get involved.

***Prudential Florida Real Estate Center and Steve Crosby, ABR, GRI
continue into 2003 listing/selling homes and vacant lots***

Wedgfield Sales Totals: To date: 99 homes sold / 61 lots sold

***Welcome aboard to all our
new neighbors! As your resi-
dent neighborhood Realtor,
I live here and care about
Wedgfield and look for-
ward to assisting you with
your relocation needs
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prompt service.***

Crosby B/C

Firewise Update

By Mary Prescott



On January 31st Cecil Davis and Don Payne representing the Wedgefield Firewise Board received the first-ever Wildfire Education Award. The presentation was made at the Fire Rescue East Conference held in Jacksonville. The award is sponsored by the Federal Alliance for Safe Homes - FLASH, Inc. And included a plaque and \$1,000.00 donation to support continued education and prevention efforts to make homes safer and more fire-resistant

"It is our honor to recognize the Wedgefield Firewise Board and to support their ongoing efforts to protect families and homes from wildfires," said FLASH Executive Director Leslie Chapman-Henderson. "Firewise Communities like Wedgefield will fare much better during the next outbreak of wildfires thanks to the dedication and commitment of this group of neighbors."

For more information on Firewise Communities or FLASH, visit www.firewise.org or www.flash.org. The next meeting for Wedgefield Firewise will be on Tuesday, March 11th at the RDD building.



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The next meeting for the Garden Club will be on Thursday, March 20th, 7:00 p.m. at the Ranger Drainage District Office. Dennis Mudge, Agriculture and Natural Resources Agent will give a special presentation on "*Firewise Plants*".

This will be a presentation that will benefit ALL homeowners in Wedgefield – so please mark your calendars!! Mudge will be speaking on the importance of having "Firewise Plants" close to your house, as well as provide you with a list of what those plants are, as well as the ones NOT to plant near your house.

Don't forget ... March is the time for fertilizing your plants (including houseplants) as well as your lawn.

Keep Growing!!
Candy Murray, President
Wedgefield Garden Club
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The Year at a Glance

MARCH

Membership Meeting Wednesday 12th

Garage Sale Saturday 22nd.

APRIL

Membership Meeting Wednesday 9th

Speaker: O. C. School Board Jodie Cadle

Meet & Greet, Happy Hour

Wedgfield Golf Club

5 p.m. till 8 p.m. Thursday 10th

Easter Egg Hunt Saturday 12th

MAY

Golf outing Saturday 3rd

Membership Meeting Wednesday 14th

Speaker: Sheriff Kevin Beary

JUNE

Membership Meeting Wednesday 11th

JULY

No Member Meeting

AUGUST

Membership Meeting

Wednesday 13th



SEPTEMBER

Membership Meeting Wednesday 10th

OCTOBER

Membership Meeting Wednesday 8th

Halloween Social Saturday 25th

NOVEMBER

Membership Meeting Wednesday 12th

DECEMBER

Membership Meeting Wednesday 10th

Holiday Social

We will constantly update this section as new events and items of interest arise.

Ranger Drainage Report

By Virginia Cebula

Spring time is right around the corner. This is the time when most of us get out in the yard and cut and trim all the damaged shrubs and trees. It's clean up time, right?

Yes it is, as long as you leave the yard waste for the collection on the right day. But some of our residents think that it is OK to load up the yard waste and drive out back and dump the branches and cuttings on the side of the road. Just a reminder to everyone: if we find you dumping on someone else's property or on the side of the road, we will get the sheriff to come after you and fine you for the offense. Ranger spends over \$4,000 each year picking up trash thrown out and left in the right of way. We prosecute all violators.

Spring is also time to begin thinking about the annual election for Ranger. This June we will be having an election to fill two seats on the Board. One seat is for the completion of the term of Supervisor Richard Lamm who passed away last year. Mr. Ed Fleming was appointed to this seat until the next election. The person elected to this seat will serve for two years. Also up for election this year is Virginia Cebula, Chairman of the District. This is a three year term. People who are interested in running for either of these positions are encouraged to contact the District office.

If you really think practice makes perfect, watch the government manage the economy!

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- Does your personal life depress you?
- Are you sleeping too little or too much?
- Do you eat, drink or smoke to relieve anxiety?
- Could some of your goals be unrealistic?
- Do you feel trapped – or pushed around?
- Are you having memory lapses?
- Do you prefer being alone?
- Is it difficult for you to concentrate?
- Do you talk too much or too fast?
- Are you accident prone?

Three or more “yes” answers can mean that you're chronically anxious to the point it plays havoc with your health. Excessive anxiety can cause headaches, back pain, ulcers, even high blood pressure. Untreated, these “stress signals” can lead to destructive anxiety attacks.

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Classified ads (for members) are free for the first three lines, non members only \$3.00 per line for the initial 3 lines. Members will receive a 10% discount on their ads.

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Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

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Phone: _____ Fax: _____

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Membership in the WHOA helps to support the children's' activities, enforcement of the codes and covenants and the monthly newsletter . Become an active member and attend the monthly meetings and get to know your neighbors. Thank You for your support.

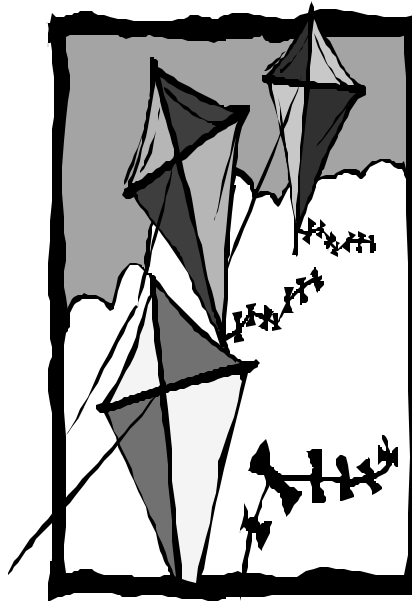
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