

The Wedgefield News

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Guest Speaker

Ty Gillis, Project Engineer For GAI Consultants, will be our speaker at the next Membership meeting. Ty is responsible for overseeing the State Road 520 widening project. He will be on hand to give us an update on how things are going and to answer any questions you may have. Don't miss the latest news on 520.

Directors Meeting 6:30 p.m.
General Members 7:30 p.m.
Wed., February 12, 2002.
Wedgefield Golf Club

President Tom Minter	568.5504
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Neighborhood Watch, Now!!

By Steve Crosby



In the month of December alone there were 2 car burglaries, 1 car theft and 3 residential burglaries in our community. There may have been other incidents that occurred in that 31 day period, but they were the only ones reported to the Orange County Sheriffs Department.

In the month of January it appears that thieves are getting more brazen and have taken items such as Malibu lights out of a front yard and landscaping from new homes under construction. These two incidents occurred after dark-fall. The one that really gets you is someone stole a pool pump from a new home on the golf course in broad daylight. It's time to say enough!

Watch your home and watch your neighbor's home; don't assume that someone you see belongs there. If you see something that doesn't look right, call the non-emergency Orange County Sheriffs dispatch number and report it. That number is 407-737-2400.

Years ago there was a Neighborhood Watch program put into effect within our community. It seems to have slowly gone away. I believe it is time to get that program back and get rid of the criminals who seem to think that Wedgefield is "easy pickings". Sadly some of "those" criminals may live in our community.

I am more than willing to contact the County agency responsible for helping communities put the Neighborhood Watch Program together, but first I have to know if the neighborhood is willing to do its part. In order for Neighborhood Watch to work, we all have to be involved. Do you want to be part of the solution?

Whether you live in the City, Estates, Reserves or the Villas, we all live in Wedgefield and I am asking you to call me and let me know if you are willing to participate in this program. I am willing to spend the time necessary to put it together. You can reach me at 407-568-1885. Call today and let's stop the crime in our community.

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.

ATV Operators Cited

By Richard Breazzano



Three All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) operators were issued summons by the County Sheriff's Office for driving violations in Wedgefield. It is illegal according to County, Traffic, and community Codes and Covenants to operate an ATV or similar vehicle beyond an owner's residence in Wedgefield or Hal Scott Park. Destructive environmental damage has been caused by these and other vehicles. At the January meeting of the Wedgefield Homeowners Association members strongly supported stopping this activity. Concerned citizens witnessing such events are urged to call the following numbers:
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A Message From The President



A few months ago Don Leavitt came to me and asked if I would consider running for president of the WHOA. At first I just told him absolutely not. I thought of all the reasons not to. I was too busy at work, obligations on the weekend, I had to walk my dog, whatever, anything but that. Well, if any of you know Don, he just doesn't give up that easily. For the next couple of months we talked back and forth, and finally I figured it was something that needed to be done and I agreed. I will never forget the night I came home and told my wife. She just looked at me and said, Have you lost your mind? What were you thinking? I can't leave you alone for 5 minutes without you getting into something!

All joking aside, this is our community and we all need to be involved in the issues and problems we face today and in the future. I guess that's why I agreed to take my turn in the barrel. I have lived here for 11 years and can't think of another place I would rather be. Great location, wonderful neighbors, and even with the enormous growth we are experiencing, I think the best place to live in all of metropolitan Orlando. For those of you that have drifted away from the Association, I would ask you to come back and join. And for those who have never gotten involved because you, like I, were too busy with other things, like walking the dog, come out to a meeting and meet your neighbors. The Wedgefield Homeowners Association general membership meeting is the second Wednesday of every month at The Wedgefield Golf Club. The meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. I look forward to meeting you there.



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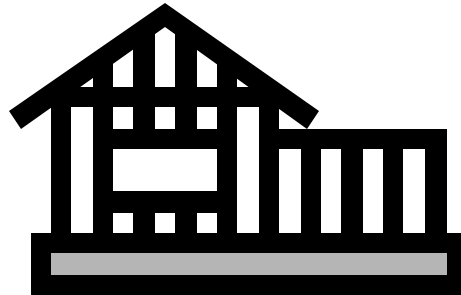
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Architectural Review



The Architectural Review Committee has been separated from the Codes And Covenants Committee. It in itself is a lot of work, so it was decided to split up the two and equally divide the work done by each. Gus Desautels will be heading up the ARC. For those of you not familiar with the ARC, it is charged with reviewing new home plans within Wedgefield to assure they meet the guidelines in our Deed Restrictions. This would include type of home, material used and square footage. etc. Should you be planning to build a new home or know someone who is, you should contact Gus at 407-568-7972 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



Party Time Is Over, Now A New Years Resolution To Keep

The dietary guidelines published by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Department of Health and Human Services recognizes that most adults require a vitamin-mineral supplement to meet specific nutrient needs. Every day more than 280 million Americans get up and go about their business. That business requires nourishing their bodies. What most people eat is influenced more by habit and convenience than by considerations of nutritional needs. Yet what people eat is an important determinant of how they feel, how effectively they function, how well they ward off infection, how clearly they think, how well they can see, how they protect themselves against chronic and killer diseases, and ultimately how long they live. In combination with improved overall dietary habits and regular exercise, a daily multivitamin would benefit virtually all consumers. For about a dime a day, there is no better insurance to protect your health. The UCLA Center for Human Nutrition suggests that consumers think of the “basic four” supplements – a multivitamin, extra vitamin C,



The Dance Connection October Newsletter

Codes & Covenants



Our first meeting of the new year was on January 23, 2003 . It was a wonderful sight to see all the new volunteers. With growth as it is going within Wedgefield, we will need all these folks to get the word out to their neighbors. Our goal this year is to educate the community pertaining to Codes and Covenants. Sadly, a lot of builders and realtors alike in their haste to sell a property don't always inform their clients of existing restrictions. It is our mission to get new Code booklets to all residents and property owners within the next sixty days. We also plan to contact builders and realtors selling property in Wedgefield and get booklets to them for their potential clients.

John McLean is our new Chairman of Codes and Covenants and can be reached at 407-568-8310 should you have any questions or concerns pertaining to our recorded restrictions.

In order to get the most up to date information to our residents in a timely manner, we have decided to hold Code and Covenant monthly meetings on the second Tuesday of every month, the day before our general membership meeting . Until further notice the meetings will be held at the home of Tom & Charlene Minter at 2558 Ballard Ave. 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***

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

***Welcome aboard to all our
new neighbors! As your resi-
dent neighborhood Realtor,
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Wedgefield and look for-
ward to assisting you with
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Crosby B/C

Firewise Update

By Mary Prescott



The Wedgefield Firewise Board is currently revising the Wildfire Mitigation Plan and would appreciate comments and/or suggestions from Wedgefield residents. This plan addresses ways to reduce the damage (injury or property) a fire causes, how to reduce the difficulty of fire suppression, and how to reduce the number of fires that are started. The more input from residents, the better suited the plan will be for the community. Comments and /or suggestions can be made to: Timber Weller at 386-447-1533, email: wellert@doacs.state.fl.us or Mary Prescott at 407-568-7762, email: capeorlando@aol.com, Division of Forestry Wedgefield Firewise Community

Firewise Plants

A special presentation on "Firewise Plants" will be given on Thursday, March 20th, during the monthly Garden Club Meeting, 7:00 p.m. at the Ranger Drainage District Office. Dennis Mudge, Agriculture and Natural Resources Agent, will be speaking on the importance of having "Firewise Plants" close to your house. This is a presentation that will be of benefit to ALL homeowners in Wedgefield – so please mark your calendars!! There will be a reminder in next month's newsletter, as well.

Questions? Contact Candy Murray, 407-568-7436.



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Wedgefield Garden Club

Happy New Year!! The Garden Club held its first meeting of the New Year in Plymouth, Florida at the *Erinon Camellia Nursery*. We had a terrific tour hosted by Jerry Conrad, Owner and Camellia Grower Extraordinaire. He has some WONDERFUL camellia specimens – several originals and many award-winners. I'd recommend that you take a trip "out West" (Orlando that is) and visit. He can be reached at 407-886-7917.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, February 20th, 7:00 p.m. at the Ranger Drainage Office. The speaker will be John Sullivan from the Flowering Tree Society.

We have a number of wonderful presentations planned this year. Topics will include "Firewise Plants" (see article page #7), Container Gardens, and Birds of Paradise – just to name a few.

EVERYONE is welcome to attend the meetings. Historically the presenters have been very informative and often entertaining!!

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. Remember, the cold weather that we've been experiencing is going to make everything look so much better this spring. Valentine's Day is an easy date to remember for trimming Crape Myrtle bushes/trees, however it is safe to begin the end of January.

Keep Growing!!
Candy Murray, President
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The guest Chef is returning in March , If you have a favorite dish you would like to prepare stop in and let us know and we will put you on the list to show us what you got.

Recipe Of The Month

Chicken And Andouille Sausage Ragu

6 Servings

- 9 chicken thighs with skin and bones
- 1 pound Andouille sausage fully cooked
cut into 1/2 inch thick rounds
- 3 carrots ,peeled and diced
- 2 large onions, chopped
- 1/2 cup chopped fresh marjoram
- 6 garlic cloves, minced
- 1 teaspoon dried crushed red pepper
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon peel
- 1 cup dry white wine
- 2 14 1/2 oz. cans diced tomatoes in juice
- 2 cups low-salt chicken broth

**Pasta: Campanelle (trumpet shaped pasta)
fiori, or fusilli pasta**

Using a sharp knife, cut each thigh lengthwise along each side of the bone, forming 2 pieces of meat; reserve bones.

Heat oil in pot over medium - high heat. Sprinkle chicken and bones with salt and pepper. Saute in batches, about 6 minutes per batch. Transfer to bowl. Add sausage to pot and saute until brown, about 5 minutes. Use slotted spoon to transfer to bowl with chicken. Add carrots and onions to pot and saute until onions are tender and golden brown, about 10 minutes. Stir in 1/4 cup marjoram, garlic, lemon peel and crushed red pepper, saute 2 minutes. Add wine and boil until reduced by half, about 3 minutes. Stir in tomatoes with juice and broth; bring to boil. Add chicken, bones and sausage, and any juices in bowl. Reduce heat, cover, and simmer until chicken is cooked through, about 35 minutes. Using slotted spoon, transfer chicken and sausage to bowl; discard bones. Boil liquid in pot until reduced to 3 cups, about 20 minutes. Stir in remaining 1/4 cup marjoram. Season to taste. Return chicken and sausage to pot. Toss cooked pasta with garlic and parsley seasoned butter. Spoon Ragu over pasta and serve.

Have a favorite recipe? Email it to tm3750@aol.com and we will print it in the *Wedgefield News*

Ranger Drainage Report

Can you believe this weather? We've had ten inches of rain in the month of December! The rain is holding up the excavation of Lake Sand Hill Crane and also the completion of the work on the golf course. But as soon as we dry up, those jobs will continue.

Our culvert pipe replacement project is continuing, and White Site Development is the contractor for this next phase. They are doing a very good job, and the District is pleased with their work.

New home construction continues to be a large factor in the District. We are currently spending almost 1/2 of our staff time installing driveways and checking lot grading. As a result, some of our maintenance items have fallen behind. The District will hold a workshop on January 30th to review these items and consider alternate ways to accomplish these tasks. Interested persons are invited to attend.

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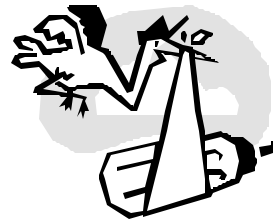
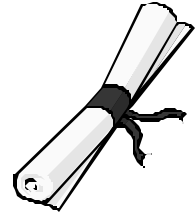
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Congratulations

Congratulations to Connie Shephard who just received her certification of "Master Gardener" from the Orange County Cooperative Extension of the University of Florida



Welcome Clay Harvey Cook. This little one is 7lb. 2oz and 20 inches. Born Tuesday, December 17th, to proud parents Margo and William and excited sister Emily.

Birthdays, Births, Anniversaries or Graduations ?

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