

OCTOBER 2015

# THE Woodlands



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## Message From the President



Just seven months ago, together with three other “newbies,” I joined the WCA board to actively make The Woodlands a better place to live. The entire board consists of 7 members so it took us a few months to get up to speed, transition Park access to Kearston Miles, get our March newsletter out, and host the Easter in the Park event. As the weather heated up, so did the WCA board. . . in driving improvements in our lawn care/grounds keeping contract, facilitating a variety of improvements in the park (mulch) interacting with Seminole County Code Enforcement, and identifying and prioritizing future capital improvements. Among the many issues we have tackled is the median/island on Aimee Place that had gotten to be overgrown and riddled with debris.

Our goal is to really get our front entrance and common areas looking their best, improve the Park features, activities and utilization, and encourage as many residents and owners within The Woodlands to join the WCA by becoming a member or associate member. The more folks that join, the easier it is on all of us to keep The Woodlands looking great, keep the dues low, and allow voluntary members to rotate on and off the board seamlessly.

I hope to see you all at the Halloween event in the Park on October 31st for a cookout and fun!

**Todd Burnett**  
**President**  
**The Woodlands Civic Association**



**BEFORE**, (as captured by GOOGLE MAPS)



**AFTER**, Courtesy of Antoinette Giunta

## UP COMING EVENTS

### October 17

Fall Garage Sale beginning at 8:30 AM

### October 31

Halloween Event in the Park at 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM  
(Sunset is 6:41 PM and Daylight Savings ends the next day)

### December 19

Santa's Ride through The Woodlands at 1:00 PM  
(check <http://woodlands-fl.com/> for route)

### January 1

WCA membership annual renewal for 2016

### February 9

Next Annual Meeting: dues must be paid by this date in order to vote at the meeting.

# YOUR INVESTMENT IN THE WOODLANDS AND WCA



**D**ead shrubs, mildewed walls, people camping out in the park, and weeds in every median. Not a lovely image, but this may be The Woodlands were if not for you and your neighbors participating in The Woodlands Civic Association.

The WCA is a non-profit organization founded in 1971, and has always focused on making The Woodlands an exceptional place to live. However, our membership

is not mandatory; instead it is driven by the community-minded spirit of our residents.

This can make budgeting a challenge when you never know how many will step up each year! With 552 homes in the community, even a modest increase in membership could allow us to do wonderful things to improve the community, and to set aside needed funds to do those essential projects that come along every five or ten years.

## Members required to support Budgeted Activities

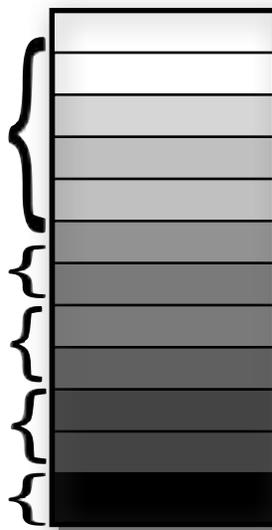
Improvements, reserves for wall paint every 5-10 years. Additional park features (fitness stations), etc. With full and recurring participation, we would also have the option to decrease dues.

Events (Easter in the Park, Halloween, etc.) (32) \$2,058

Common area lawn care and repairs (54) \$3,524

Park maintenance, repair, utilities and insurance (94) \$6,078

Licenses, taxes, postage, notices, web, newsletter (32) \$2,077



Full Participation  
552

Current Membership  
271

Joining the WCA only costs \$65, whether as a Member (as defined in our by-laws) or Associated Member (generally, non-resident owners, residents that don't own, or others). Please help us grow by spreading the news about the Park and the other work we do to spruce things up and keep The Woodlands a great place to live!

Although membership is based on the calendar-year, you may join any time of year, and it will be appreciated.

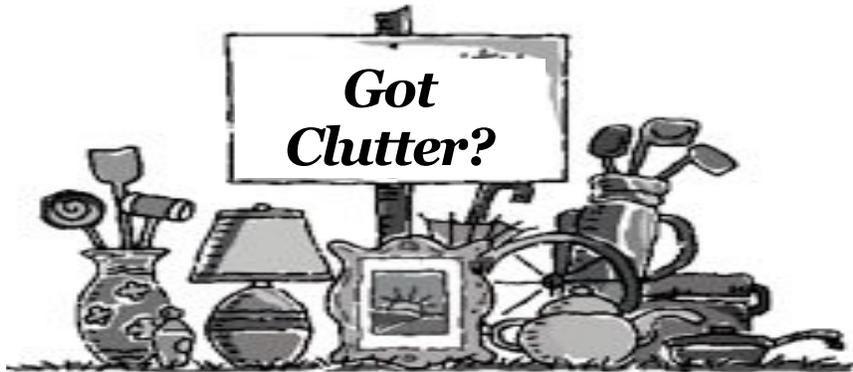
Also, we greatly appreciate our members that pay extra to help us make the numbers work. We always love to meet new neighbors and look forward to your participation in the WCA.

Contact Antoinette Giunta at 407-831-4105 for a welcome package and information about our events and benefits. Members wanting access to the Park can contact Kearston Miles at 407-637-7886 for necessary paperwork and excess.

# GARAGE SALE



**SATURDAY  
OCTOBER 17  
8:30AM TO 4PM**



**Sell it at <sup>THE</sup>Woodlands**

## HALLOWEEN PARTY!

**HALLOWEEN IN THE PARK  
OCTOBER 31ST 4 PM - 6 PM  
COSTUME CONTEST  
GAMES, TRICKS & TREATS**

We all look forward to cooler days, but now you can look forward to even more fun: masquerading around with your SPOOKY neighbors!

We are planning hotdogs, drinks and snacks from 4 to 6 PM in The WCA Park. This year, Halloween (October 31) falls on a Saturday, so what better day to enjoy a pre-Trick or Treat gathering?

**Free to members and \$5.00 for non-member families.**

**Event volunteers  
appreciated and welcome!  
Call Jessica Mooney at  
407-319-8189**



# Get Social Using nextdoor.com

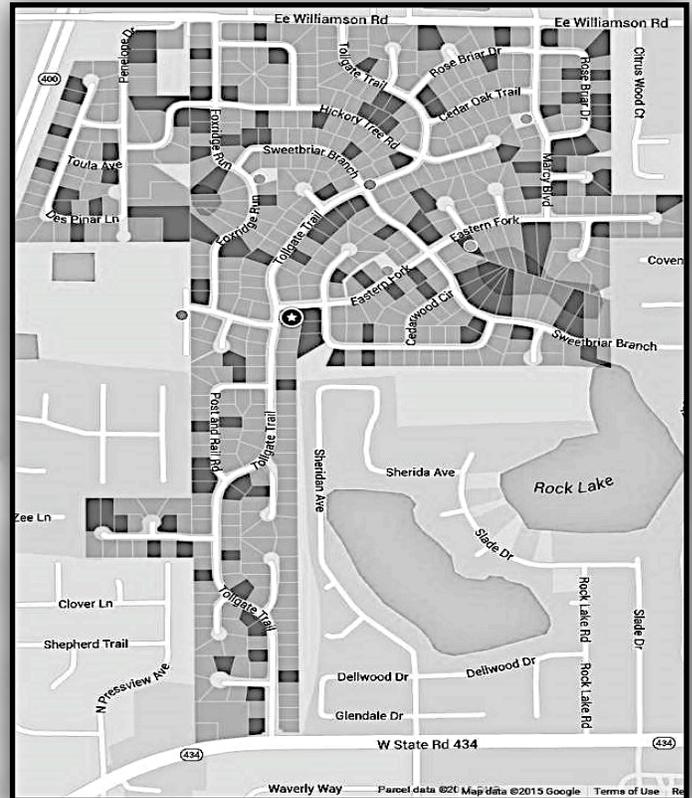
**Many neighbors are using an online social network, and joining is FREE.**

On [NEXTDOOR.COM](http://NEXTDOOR.COM), neighbors from The Woodlands and nearby neighborhoods share news about community events, recommendations, items for sale/free, crime/safety concerns, hear about lost pets, hurricane alerts, and more. Receive updates from other members (many of whom are also WCA members) and even the Seminole County Sheriff's Department.

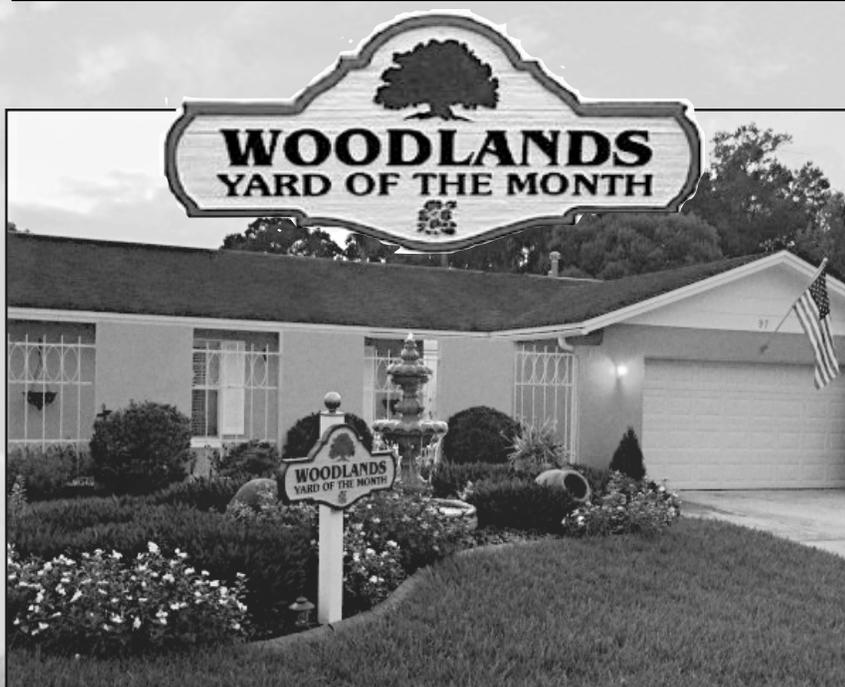
Over 160 neighbors (133 households) have connected in just the short time it has been promoted, and we would love to see these numbers grow. There are 72 communities using [NEXTDOOR.COM](http://NEXTDOOR.COM) in Longwood, and over 75,000 neighborhoods across the country.

Speaking of social, be sure to like "The Woodlands-WCA, Longwood, FL" on Facebook as another great way to stay connected.

The map's darker shade reflects Woodlands homes already participating in [NEXTDOOR.COM](http://NEXTDOOR.COM)



[NEXTDOOR.COM](http://NEXTDOOR.COM) is not affiliated with the Woodlands Civic Association.



**We are tipping our straw hat to our neighbors at 97 Sweetbriar Branch for selection as September "Yard of the Month"**



Tending to the yard is a great way to get a little fresh air and exercise, connect with neighbors, and improve the look and value of your home. Thanks for helping make **The Woodlands** great.

*Also, a special note of thanks goes out to Cody Spears for having volunteered to bring us "Yard of the Month" these past years. Cody, your service was truly appreciated.*

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## THIS N THAT

The Park Pavilion may be reserved for private events as one of many benefits to becoming a WCA member.

Reserve on our website [www.woodlands-fl.com](http://www.woodlands-fl.com) by clicking "neighborhood info" and then "reserve the pavilion." Upon confirmation by a WCA board member, you are all set!

While generally free, may be subject to request for a small fee (e.g. \$25) to offset added costs, such as the water used for a water slide.



Special thanks to Kearston Miles and family for putting down fresh mulch at the Park.

### WANTED

- Picnic table painter
- Swing set painter
- Help during events
- Neighborhood Watch coordinator
- Helper to hang Christmas decor
- Newsletter delivery
- Help rebuild Park message board

It's worth repeating that Winn Dixie and the Seminole Sheriff's and Fire Departments regularly and generously support our events.

Thanks to our many volunteers who help keep Woodlands beautiful and informed!

A salute goes to Mike Fink for volunteering to lower our US flag to half-staff whenever designated by proclamation.

### IF YOU SEE SOMETHING SAY SOMETHING

This summer, The Woodlands sprinkler system sprung a leak near the front entrance. It leaked for three days and unfortunately, it caused a substantial increase in the water bill before someone notified a Board member. PLEASE,

if you see anything out of the ordinary, be a good and thoughtful member of the community and report it to any member of the Board of Directors. Don't assume that someone else will handle it!



The back wall on EE Williamson needs TLC every 5 to 7 years.

Keeping it free of vines and debris makes the job easier/saves money and helps The Woodlands look well groomed!

Even a well-behaved big dog can be scary to a 2-year old.

Dog owners who join the WCA are welcome to bring them to the Park, as long they follow the rules posted on our Website:

[http://www.woodlands-fl.com/images/Dogs\\_in\\_the\\_Park.pdf](http://www.woodlands-fl.com/images/Dogs_in_the_Park.pdf)



**HOURS:**  
The WCA Park  
closes at dusk

### Dogs in the WCA Park Rules and Standards of Use

The Woodlands Civic Association, Inc., shall NOT be liable for any injury damage caused by any dog in the WCA Park. Each dog owner is legally and financially responsible for their dog's behavior.

Upon entering the WCA Park, it is agreed that the dog owner must abide by park rules. Violation of park rules can result in permanent loss of park privileges.

**PET WASTE**  
TRANSMITS DISEASE  
LEASH AND CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR PET  
  
PLEASE KEEP THIS AREA CLEAN

**GENERAL RULES:**

- THE WCA Park is a private park for WCA Members only. Only dogs of WCA Members are permitted access to The Park.
- Dogs must be within voice range and under owners control at all times, if not, dogs will need to be leashed at all times.
- A maximum of 3 dogs per Member at one time in The Park, unless accompanied by another adult.
- Dogs should be kept at least 25 feet from the children's playground equipment, if children are present.
- Dogs shall not harm humans, other dogs, or any wildlife.
- Dogs exhibiting aggressive behavior must be removed from the park immediately.
- Dog owners are required to give name, address, phone number, and proof of vaccination to injured party before leaving The Park, if their dog inflicts any injury.
- Dogs should be licensed in Seminole County.
- Dogs must be up-to-date on all vaccinations and wear proof of current vaccination on their collar at all times.
- Puppies younger than 4 months old are **not** permitted in The Park, for the health of the puppy and for the health of other dogs. (At 4 months of age, puppies should have had the appropriate deworming treatment and completed the usual schedule of puppy vaccines.)
- The dog owner/guardian must not leave The Park without their dog(s), for any reason.
- All pet waste **must** be collected by the dog's owner/guardian and taken home.

**The Park receptacles are not to be used for disposal of pet waste**

*Any violations should be reported to the WCA Board!*

PLEASE SAVE FOR YOUR FUTURE REFERENCE






Please keep sidewalks safe for our children and others.



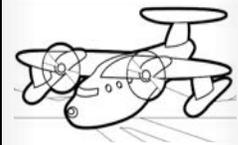
Garbage cans, recycle bins, cars, boats, over grown shrubs and weeds, etc. represent a hazard when blocking our sidewalks.

### TRIVIA

Did you know that Longwood used to have an AIRPORT\*?

It closed in the 1960's to make room for. . .

THE  
WOODLANDS



\*Wikipedia

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CODE ENFORCEMENT



## PLEASE BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR AND REPORT CODE VIOLATIONS AT 407-665-6650

It's a fact of life: things don't always go according to plan. However, nothing can threaten the value of the entire neighborhood like neglected properties and code compliance issues. Unkempt fences can expose dangerous pools. Open doors and windows invite unlawful behavior. Concerned residents naturally want to correct the situation. Here is a list of Top Code Violations as reported by the Seminole County Sheriff's Office:

If you have concerns with nearby **FORECLOSURES** or suspect squatters, call Code Enforcement at (407) 665-6650 or use their online form:

<http://www.seminolesheriff.org/external/ReportCodeViolation.aspx>.

You can remain anonymous.



### 1. WEEDS - GRASS

Uncultivated vegetation in excess of 8" in height on improved property is a violation.



### 2. VEHICLES - JUNK

A dismantled, wrecked or non-operating vehicle must be stored in an enclosed garage or attached carport in a residential zone. For Vehicles in the right of way contact the Sheriff's Office at (407) 665-6650.



### 3. TRASH

The accumulation of trash not in containers may be a nuisance violation. Unusable appliances, furniture etc. may be a violation. Mulch, compost piles and firewood are not a violation. (Code Team & Solid Waste).



### 4. BUSINESS IN THE HOME

A home business that stocks merchandise for resale, has employees or customers at the house is a violation in most residential zone.



### 5. UNSECURED OR STAGNANT POOLS

A swimming pool that has been left abandoned and the water has become stagnant/foul, or the pool has become unsecured.

**"Thank you to these Woodlands' households for your support of the WCA. Your dues help to maintain and improve The Woodlands!"**

**Your WCA Board of Directors**



# 2015 Honor Roll

**The Woodlands addresses for which 2015 dues have already been paid as of October 2015**

|                   |                     |                     |                     |                     |
|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 102 Aspen Pl      | 121 Foxridge Run    | 107 Meadow Creek Cv | 137 Stoney Ridge Dr | 151 Tollgate Trl    |
| 104 Aspen Pl      | 123 Foxridge Run    | 111 Meadow Creek Cv | 139 Stoney Ridge Dr | 152 Tollgate Trl    |
| 106 Aspen Pl      | 124 Foxridge Run    | 104 Nicole Ln       | 141 Stoney Ridge Dr | 153 Tollgate Trl    |
| 110 Aspen Pl      | 125 Foxridge Run    |                     | 142 Stoney Ridge Dr | 154 Tollgate Trl    |
|                   | 126 Foxridge Run    | 1497 Northridge Dr  | 143 Stoney Ridge Dr | 182 Tollgate Trl    |
| 172 Casey Ct      | 128 Foxridge run    |                     | 147 Stoney Ridge Dr | 184 Tollgate Trl    |
| 176 Casey Ct      | 129 Foxridge Run    | 106 Old Hickory Ct  | 148 Stoney Ridge Dr | 186 Tollgate Trl    |
|                   | 130 Foxridge Run    |                     | 151 Stoney Ridge Dr | 188 Tollgate Trl    |
| 104 Cedar Oak Trl | 131 Foxridge Run    | 107 Penelope        | 152 Stoney Ridge Dr | 190 Tollgate Trl    |
| 106 Cedar Oak Trl | 135 Foxridge Run    | 114 Penelope        | 153 Stoney Ridge Dr | 198 Tollgate Trl    |
| 109 Cedar Oak Trl | 137 Foxridge Run    | 115 Penelope        | 155 Stoney Ridge Dr | 200 Tollgate Trl    |
|                   | 139 Foxridge Run    | 116 Penelope        | 157 Stoney Ridge Dr | 204 Tollgate Trl    |
| 102 Cedarwood Cir | 143 Foxridge Run    | 120 Penelope        | 159 Stoney Ridge Dr | 207 Tollgate Trl    |
| 105 Cedarwood Cir | 145 Foxridge Run    | 130 Penelope        | 161 Stoney Ridge Dr | 210 Tollgate Trl    |
| 106 Cedarwood Cir |                     |                     |                     | 212 Tollgate Trl    |
| 107 Cedarwood Cir | 122 Heather Hill    | 106 Poplar Pl       | 67 Sweetbriar Br    | 213 Tollgate Trl    |
| 110 Cedarwood Cir | 126 Heather Hill    | 108 Poplar Pl       | 68 Sweetbriar Br    | 216 Tollgate Trl    |
|                   | 128 Heather Hill    |                     | 72 Sweetbriar Br    | 217 Tollgate Trl    |
| 107 Des Pinar Ln  | 130 Heather Hill    | 157 Post & Rail     | 76 Sweetbriar Br    | 218 Tollgate Trl    |
| 119 Des pinar Ln  | 132 Heather Hill    | 159 Post & Rail     | 78 Sweetbriar Br    | 220 Tollgate Trl    |
| 122 Des Pinar Ln  |                     | 165 Post & Rail     | 80 Sweetbriar Br    | 222 Tollgate Trl    |
| 128 Des Pinar Ln  | 96 Hickory Tree Rd  | 166 Post & Rail     | 84 Sweetbriar Br    | 227 Tollgate Trl    |
| 134 Des Pinar Ln  | 97 Hickory Tree Rd  | 167 Post & Rail     | 86 Sweetbriar Br    | 229 Tollgate Trl    |
|                   | 98 Hickory Tree Rd  | 168 Post & Rail     | 95 Sweetbriar Br    | 232 Tollgate Trl    |
| 91 Eastern Fork   | 99 Hickory Tree Rd  | 172 Post & Rail     | 96 Sweetbriar Br    | 234 Tollgate Trl    |
| 105 Eastern Fork  | 101 Hickory Tree Rd | 175 Post & Rail     | 97 Sweetbriar Br    | 236 Tollgate Trl    |
| 106 Eastern Fork  | 102 Hickory Tree Rd | 177 Post & Rail     | 106 Sweetbriar Br   | 237 Tollgate Trl    |
| 107 Eastern Fork  | 104 Hickory Tree Rd | 178 Post & Rail     | 113 Sweetbriar Br   | 238 Tollgate Trl    |
| 110 Eastern Fork  | 105 Hickory Tree Rd |                     | 114 Sweetbriar Br   | 242 Tollgate Trl    |
| 111 Eastern Fork  | 107 Hickory Tree Rd | 102 Rosebriar Dr    | 115 Sweetbriar Br   | 244 Tollgate Trl    |
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| 127 Eastern Fork  | 125 Hickory Tree Rd | 115 Rosebriar Dr    | 160 Tollgate Br     | 269 Tollgate Trl    |
| 129 Eastern Fork  |                     | 125 Rosebriar Dr    | 164 Tollgate Br     | 275 Tollgate Trl    |
| 134 Eastern Fork  | 106 Huntswood Ct    | 127 Rosebriar Dr    | 165 Tollgate Br     | 277 Tollgate Trl    |
| 138 Eastern Fork  | 108 Huntswood Ct    | 128 Rosebriar Dr    | 179 Tollgate Br     |                     |
| 140 Eastern Fork  |                     | 130 Rosebriar Dr    | 180 Tollgate Br     | 127 Weathervane Way |
| 141 Eastern Fork  | 100 Lisar Ln        | 131 Rosebriar Dr    | 184 Tollgate Br     | 133 Weathervane Way |
| 148 Eastern Fork  | 101 Lisar Ln        | 133 Rosebriar Dr    | 192 Tollgate Br     | 135 Weathervane Way |
|                   | 102 Lisar Ln        | 135 Rosebriar Dr    |                     | 137 Weathervane Way |
|                   |                     | 137 Rosebriar Dr    | 97 Tollgate Trl     |                     |
| 103 Foxridge Run  |                     | 139 Rosebriar Dr    | 106 Tollgate Trl    | 102 Western Fork    |
| 104 Foxridge Run  | 102 Marcy Blvd      | 141 Rosebriar Dr    | 110 Tollgate Trl    |                     |
| 105 Foxridge Run  | 106 Marcy Blvd      |                     | 112 Tollgate Trl    | 160 Willow Creek Cv |
| 106 Foxridge Run  | 113 Marcy Blvd      |                     | 117 Tollgate Trl    | 164 Willow Creek Cv |
| 107 Foxridge Run  | 115 Marcy Blvd      | 113 Shady Vale      | 121 Tollgate Trl    | 170 Willow Creek Cv |
| 108 Foxridge Run  | 117 Marcy Blvd      |                     | 123 Tollgate Trl    |                     |
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# W<sup>THE</sup> Woodlands CIVIC ASSOCIATION

## Your 2015 Woodlands Civic Association Board Members

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## 2015 MEMBERSHIP FORM

Please join the Woodlands Civic Association Today  
to help improve and maintain our community!

### Membership dues - Only \$65 annually

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

( ) I would like to volunteer my services in the following areas:

\_\_\_\_\_ Membership    \_\_\_\_\_ Newspaper Distribution    \_\_\_\_\_ Neighborhood Watch Coordinator

\_\_\_\_\_ Events    \_\_\_\_\_ Park Cleanup    \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

( ) Yes, I would like a WCA Park Access Card!

For your Access Card please contact: Kearston Miles • Phone: 407-637-7886

E-Mail=kearston1987@gmail.com

Please Sign: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please add any questions or comments you may have. We would like to hear from you!

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**Please make your check payable to:  
Woodlands Civic Association**

Mail to:  
Woodlands Civic Association  
Post Office Box 520721  
Longwood, FL 32752-0721

The annual membership drive happens early in the year, but new members and donations are accepted at any time.

Your membership is greatly appreciated!  
**THANK YOU!**