

#### **Winter 2016**

#### Annual Meeting Is January 28, New Board Members to be Elected

I would like to encourage all Woodland Hills residents to attend our annual meeting Jan. 28 at 6 p.m. at the McAbee Center on Loop Road. Our bylaws require that a new board for the neighborhood association will be elected. We will also review our finances.

Eddie Pugh, District 6 Councilman, will be our guest speaker. He will spend about 45 minutes updating us on issues that concern our neighborhood. He also will be available for any questions we may have. Yearly dues of \$50 will be collected at the meeting. I would like to thank everyone who pays their yearly dues and would encourage all residents to educate themselves on what this money is used for.

If you have any questions about the meeting or would like more information, please feel free to contact me or your section leaders. Thanks, and I look forward to see you on the  $28^{\text{th}}$ .

Michael Quinn, president

### **Meet the New Treasurer**

Greetings!

My name is Lorraine Smith, and I am your new treasurer. I am looking forward to seeing you at the Woodland Hills Neighborhood Association Annual Meeting in January.

WHNA dues are \$50. per year. If you would like to drop off your dues payment, I will be more

than happy to handle that for you. If you prefer to mail your dues, mail a check payable to Woodland Hills Neighborhood Association to

Woodland Hills Neighborhood Association c/o Lorraine Smith 3834 Somerset Place Tuscaloosa, AL 35405 Thank you Mary-Alton Griffin for your years of

service to the Woodland Hills Neighborhood Association. Thanks for caring.

## Many Ways to Keep in Touch

Visit us on our website at http://woodlandhillstuscaloosa.org. Visit us on Facebook at facebook.com/woodlandhillstuscaloosa. Send email to

woodlandhillstuscaloosa@gmail.com.

Follow us on Twitter at #WdlandHlsTusc.

Please feel free to use Facebook and Twitter to post events, lost and found, and other general neighborhood news. We will be using our email for event reminders, time-sensitive announcements, and questions or comments.

If you are a resident of Woodland Hills and would like to join our email group, please send your email address to the above email.

# **Income/Expense Report**

#### January 2015 to November 30, 2015

Extra Contributions-Donations	275.00
Interest Income	2.55
Assoc. Dues	7,600.00
Adj. in dues (stop Pmt)	<u>-50.00</u>
Total Income	7,827.55

#### **Expenses**

Gifts & Favors	50.00
Water	1,397.21
Landscaping Entrance Signs	2,250.00
New Resident Expenses	150.00
Annual Meeting Expenses	544.44
Lawn Care	1,650.00
Entrance Signs	1,250.00
Neighborhood Gatherings	161.24
Power –Unmetered Light	1,439.70
Printing/Mailing Newsletters	679.20
Office Supplies	43.38
Web Host	119.40
Bank Serv Charge	<u>12.00</u>
Total Expenses	9,696.67
Net Income	-1,869.1

Bank Balance as of November 30, 2015: \$8,492.00

#### Foundation Owns Patton Lake Woodland Hills Foundation to Meet Jan. 21

The Woodland Hills Foundation, Inc., owns Patton Lake. Our members are owners of property in coordinating body for the efforts of Tuscaloosa the Woodland Hills Section of Tuscaloosa who desire to preserve the integrity of the Lake.

Our annual meeting will be Thursday, Jan. 21, 2016, from 6-8pm at the McAbee Center, one week before the Neighborhood Association's annual meeting. The current officers are Tom Fanning, president, Dan Vogt, vice president, and Jil Chambless, secretary/treasurer. We will elect new officers at this annual meeting. Please join us.

### Tuscaloosa Neighbors Together Works on Behalf of Neighborhoods

Tuscaloosa Neighbors Together (TNT) acts as a residents and neighborhood groups and makes positive contributions to Tuscaloosa through the betterment of our neighborhoods and the promotion of civic awareness.

TNT has 10 years of experience advocating for neighborhoods. It is a nonpartisan, nonprofit 501c3 organization. Monthly meetings are open to the public and non-members are welcome. Woodland Hills Neighborhood Association is a TNT member www.Tuscaloosaneighborstogether.org.

# **Our Neighborhood Pool Adds Value**

Woodland Hills offers an enhancement to our neighborhood that few neighborhoods can match: we have a centrally located swimming pool for our families. Our pool enhances Woodland Hills neighborhood, it's convenient, and adds value to our homes.

Woodland Hills families have enjoyed the benefits the pool offers for many decades, as it dates to the development of this neighborhood in the late 1950s and early 1960s. Located at the intersection of Azalea Lane and Woodland Hills Drive at the roundabout, behind the wooden fence, the pool is a 20- by 40-feet concrete structure, with a 3-feet shallow end and a 9-feet deep end, as well as a diving board. The surrounding concrete patio area includes two restrooms and picnic tables under an awning covering one side, as well as a toddler pool for the babies. A grassy area where kids can play is located outside the fence.

The pool has been the site of countless birthday parties and family picnics over the decades for members and their kids, and the large area outside of the fence can hold jumpy houses and be used for croquet and badminton games. Membership dues allow for a part-time lifeguard.

Because of its age, the pool is in need of some repairs and updates, although they don't currently hamper the fun the pool offers. Strong support from our neighborhood could modernize and enhance the pool area for even more use.

Membership in the Woodland Hills Swim Club is restricted to 35 families (due to insurance requirements), and applications and renewals will be available after the first of the New Year. The fee for families is a very reasonable - \$250 a year. A second option for one child and one adult or for two adults with no children is \$150. Remember, grandparents, membership is a great way to spend time with grandkids. Consider contributions for support and maintenance, since the Woodland Hills pool adds value to our neighborhood.

For information about repairs and maintenance, contact Mathew Renick, <u>mjrenicks@yahoo.com</u>, 361-1863. For membership information, contact Angela Hunter, <u>ahunter@yahoo.com</u>, 292-4573.

#### Woodland Hills Garden Club Report on Activities and Projects

The Woodland Hills Garden Club opened the year with 36 members and a "Meet and Greet" September meeting. The members attending enjoyed getting acquainted and sharing our favorite salads.

In October, Monica Watkins, director of the University of Alabama Arboretum, was our speaker for the meeting. She shared the history, mission, and vision of the Arboretum.

In November, Garden Club members participated in the Red Ribbon Project for Woodland Hills led by Susan Barnes. In order to encourage Woodland Hills residents to place red bows on their mailboxes for the holidays, the Neighborhood Association asked the Garden Club to make bows to distribute to neighbors who requested them. More than 60 bows were prepared and were distributed around the neighborhood.

In December, we enjoyed a program by Laurie Johns, President of Sassafras Center for Arts and Environment, an organization focused on enriching the quality of life in Tuscaloosa through support of the arts, environment, and community.

#### Woodland Hills Garden Club Officers for 2015-2016

President: Ruth Collier Vice President: Carolyn Wiggins Treasurer: Susan Barnes Secretary: Jeanette Bell Historian: Carol Clanton

#### **Recycling Easy and Benefits Everybody**

We are fortunate to live in a city that offers curbside recycling, making it easier than ever to take advantage of this convenient service.

If you are not currently recycling, consider this. If Alabama recycled just 10 percent more materials each year, the potential economic impact would equate to more than 1,400 jobs, over \$66 million annual personal income, and \$3 million annual state tax revenue. (Source: 2012 ADEM Recycling Report from <u>http://www.tuscaloosacares.com/</u>)

Learn about recycling, environmental sustainability, and environmental goals in Tuscaloosa and West Alabama. Visit <u>http://www.tuscaloosa.com/recycle.</u>

#### Welcome Mat

Pam and Aaron Suttles 4005 Woodland Hills Drive Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hamm 3020 Azalea Lane

Sarah and Mark Barry 3304 Tall Pines Circle



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