

## Summer 2016

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Visit us on our website at

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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.

## Annual Dues Help Keep Our Neighborhood Looking Good

Mail \$50 annual Neighborhood Association dues to: Lorraine Smith 3834 Somerset Place Tuscaloosa, AL 35405 Welcome New Residents Pam and Michael Pinto 2841 Firethorn Drive Tricia Witte and John Scofield 4405 Woodland Hills Drive Robbie and Alex Stewart 3121 Azalea Lane Lydia and Jim Johnson 3907 Somerset Place

### Call 311 To Get Help From The City

Woodland Hills residents are encouraged to call 311 for any of the following situations occurring on properties in the neighborhood:

1. Weeds, grass, or other vegetation in excess of 12 inches high

2. Downed trees or limbs

3. Accumulation of litter or trash

4. Accumulation of storm debris or construction debris

5. Dogs are not allowed to be at large, unconfined, or able to travel on public property or the property of another. City Code Sec. 4--40.

# Woodland Hills Neighborhood Association Board

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#### **Section Leader Responsibilities**

Section 1: grounds, lights, sprinkler system Section 2: banners, signs Section 3: nominations, social media Section 4: annual meeting, hospitality Section 5: nominations chair Section 6: entrance signs, upkeep Section 7: newsletter, new residents Associate Director: neighborhood clean-up (Note: Vacant, Section 5 Leader)

### **Cleanup Day Was A Success**

The neighborhood cleanup day was a rousing success. We had one of the largest turnouts since I've been involved in this project. Our numbers were really good at both entrances (Patton Lake and Skyland).

As suggested by Ann Wynn, we attempted to have a scavenger hunt. Even though there were no participants this time, we should probably try it again at future clean ups.

Although I was chairman of the committee, all the credit and praise should go to Jil Chambliss. She did a phenomenal job printing all the fliers and putting up all the signs.

We're looking forward to even better things next year, so please participate. *Robey Butler* 

## **Recycling Is Easy And Has An Economic Impact On Alabama**

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

http://www.tuscaloosacares.com/)

For more information visit <u>http://www.tuscaloosa.com/recycle.</u>

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Woodland Hills Garden Club Officers for 2016-2017 President: Ruth Collier Vice President: Carolyn Wiggins Treasurer: Susan Barnes Secretary: Jeanette Bell Historian: Irene Sprague

# News From The Woodland Hills Garden Club

One of the duties of the Woodland Hills Garden Club Historian is to organize and attractively display the historical data of the club as well as preserving the past records. Obviously, we have had some outstanding Historians since the club was established in 1959. Debra Steadman and Carol Clanton have served in the most recent years and contributed beautiful scrapbooks showing meetings, programs, people, and events as well as keeping up with the history of the club. At one of our meetings this spring, Carol brought a Woodland Hills Scrapbook from 30 years ago to share. It was so much fun to review old newspaper articles and pictures of former and present members, much younger of course. We are indebted to these Historians for helping to preserve our past.

We have had four interesting meetings during the second half of our club year. At the January program held at the McAbee Center, Rhiannon Key, Assistant Director of FOCUS, shared with us what FOCUS has to offer us. She shared the monthly calendar and explained many of the programs. Questions were raised about PARA and FOCUS sharing the McAbee Center. She explained that it would take about three more years for the center to enlarge, adding another pool, more exercise equipment for seniors, offices and programs. The goal will be for it to turn into a dedicated senior center in the future.

Ms. Rhiannon introduced and urged our participation in the Yellow Dot program. This provides an envelope of emergency information about the family to put in the car glove compartment. A yellow dot is placed in the car window so that first responders will know where to find information about the occupants.

In February, we met in the home of Joan Atkinson. She presented a program on John's and her visits to Butchart Gardens in Victoria, British Columbia in 1991and in August 2011. She shared their beautiful pictures on her TV and told the story of the gardens. We felt like we had had a special trip to Canada with a tiny touch of a beautiful place.

One of the purposes of the Woodland Hills Garden Club is to provide service to our community. We again chose the Good Samaritan Clinic as the recipient of our fundraiser. In March, we held an auction at the home of Jeanette Bell with Tommy Hester as our very able auctioneer. Members donated delicious and beautiful food items, flowers, plants, containers, collectables, and homemade crafts for the auction. Tommy kept us laughing and bidding until we had raised \$723 for the Good Samaritan Clinic and all the wonderful goodies were sold. This year's donation was made in memory of Shirley Hester, our dear friend and former garden club treasurer.

The last meeting of the year was in April with a lovely luncheon at Indian Hills Country Club. Carolyn Wiggins and Irene Sprague were the hostesses. The private dining room was decorated with lovely spring flowers, table decorations and exciting beautifully wrapped packages. A surprise awaited all who attended.

The officers have met to discuss programs suggested by members for next year. It looks like a very interesting club year. Hope you will join us.

#### Swimmingly Good Idea For Next Year

The Woodland Hills' pool has had great summer season, giving new families a chance to connect and existing families a chance to catch up while keeping cool and having fun. Even though our pool is dated, it still allows for many of fun summer days. And because of age, it is always in need of repair. If anyone has any way they feel they could assist with these, please contact Angela Hunter at 292-4573. Looking ahead, the pool will close around Labor Day, or maybe slightly after. Membership drives begins next April. A family membership is \$250.

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Woodland Hills Improvement Association		Food (Woodland Hills gathering)	\$99.03
Financial Report		Bank Fee	5.00
Beginning Balance		Lawn Care	1,350.00
as of Dec. 31, 2015	\$8,185.25	New Resident(s)	100.00
Income		Postage (2015)	147.00
(Dues, donations, bank interest)	6,686.04	Postage (2016)	9.80
Expenses	-3,204.66	TNT Dues	25.00
Balance	\$11,666.63	TuscaBlue	21.80
Expenses:		Water	430.50
Alabama Power	\$772.53	YTD Total	\$3,204.66
Annual Meeting	235.00		

#### *Keep Up With Board Activities* The board members and officers of the Woodland Hills Neighborhood Association meet regularly to go over current issues and

upcoming plans that benefit the entire

neighborhood.

For a look at the business conducted at the last board meeting, go to the Woodland Hills website: <u>http://woodlandhillstuscaloosa.org.</u>

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