

# The WOODFIELD View

Community Newsletter

THE OFFICIAL *Newsletter* OF WOODFIELD



## How To Host A Cookie Swap For The Holidays

The cookie exchange or cookie swap tradition has been around for many years. The Christmas holiday season is a favorite time to have these parties. These parties are a lot of fun, and as a bonus you'll have lots of different cookies on hand for the holidays. Just think - bake one batch of your favorite cookie and you'll go home with many different kinds. Invite your friends, family, neighbors, church members, or community group.

- Decide how many guests you want to invite to the cookie exchange. Lots of people will ensure your guests have a variety of cookies to choose from, but too many people means too much baking. Ideally, you should plan the cookie swap for 10 to 12 people.
- During the holidays, it is wise to pick a non-weekend day or evening for your party, so it won't interfere with family weekends or office parties. Send the invitations out a month before the party. Everyone's calendar fills up fast in December!
- Confirm how many of your invited guests will be able to attend. Let everyone (each guest) know how many cookies they need to make. Each guest will need to bring **one (1) dozen cookies** to share and sample at the cookie exchange party and **another one (1) dozen cookies** for each person (guest) attending. For example, if eight (8) people will be attending, each person will

need to bring 9 dozen cookies from the same recipe.

- Avoid duplication of cookies by asking guests to RSVP and tell you about the cookies they will bring. Make sure each guest brings copies of their recipe to pass around. Since many people have food allergies, it's important they know the ingredients in the cookies at your party. And if there are family stories and especially ethnic traditions for a cookie, ask the guest to write that information on the recipe.
- Remind guests to bring a large container to take their cookie assortment home. Have extra containers and packing materials like foil, plastic wrap, and tape on hand for guests who may forget.
- Cookies to be exchanged should be wrapped well. They should be placed either on plastic plates with plastic wrap or in disposable containers that are airtight.
- During the cookie exchange, serve warm beverages such as coffee, hot chocolate, hot apple cider, or herbal tea. Don't forget to eat and sample all the delicious cookies!



# from the PRESIDENT

Jorge A. Andino

Hello Woodfield Homeowners,

With the holidays fast approaching and the year coming to an end, I want to take a few minutes of your time to provide you an update to all recent maintenance activity that has taken place in Woodfield.

## COMPLETED PROJECTS

- A complete overhaul of our landscape lighting took place. Some fixtures were repaired or replaced and light bulbs were all changed to LED. All of the lights are now working and looking great!
- The sprinkler system on Woodfield Boulevard and Forelock Road has been repaired.
- All the Hardwood trees on Woodfield Boulevard and Forelock Road were trimmed. Throughout all streets facing common areas, we had trees trimmed 15 feet high and 6 feet in depth prior to Hurricane Irma striking us. This action allowed us to have a mild clean up after the storm and return to normalcy that same week.
- New Duranta Gold Mound plants were added and mulched on Woodfield Boulevard. These plants are on the West side of the street as you leave Woodfield Boulevard, near the bench and the pond.
- Dead bushes were removed from Fieldstone Village II and replaced with Oleander plants. This area was also mulched.
- The front fountain was repaired twice this year. With the latest repair a surge protector was added to prevent electrical surges from potentially harming the unit and requiring costly repairs.

## SCHEDULED PROJECTS

- All common area sidewalks throughout Woodfield are scheduled to be pressured washed in the middle of November.
- Holiday lights are going to be professionally installed on both Woodfield Boulevard and Forelock Road on November 10th and will remain lit until the first week of January. A wreath will be placed on each Village monument.

This board has been working diligently to keep Woodfield maintained and looking great so that it remains a wonderful place to live. I am asking all homeowners of this wonderful subdivision to do their part by maintaining their property as well. When we live in a deed restricted neighborhood there are certain privileges given up for the common good of all its members. These restrictions although not always welcomed or popular, help us to assure that everyone is held accountable to maintain their homes and property values for all to benefit equally.

**“Ask not what Woodfield can do for you, but what you can do for Woodfield.”**

There will be three board positions open for the 2018 year. There are also many positions available in several committees. If you have a small amount of time and are passionate about this great neighborhood we call home, please sign up to help. Let's all help to keep Woodfield a wonderful place to live and raise our families.

Thank you all for your cooperation! Wishing everyone a happy and safe holiday season.

Sincerely,

*Jorge A. Andino, Sr.*

President - Woodfield Association

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IKare Publishing Inc.



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# TREE CARE TIPS +

Fall is a great time to be outside admiring the trees in our landscapes. We take stock of which trees are looking good and which seem to need a little help. It is natural to want to do something to help a plant - prune it, fertilize it, polish it. We can't help wanting to touch it in some way.

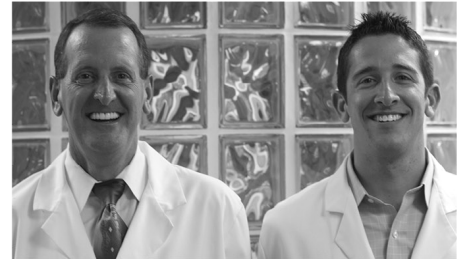
One basic housekeeping chore that might help a struggling tree would be pruning and Fall is the perfect time to perform this. Pruning is an oft needed maintenance treatment for good tree health and safety but pruning without a good reason is not good tree care practice. Pruning just because your neighbor is doing it may not be beneficial for the tree and could result in too much live tree tissue being removed.

The pruning process can be overwhelming to those not familiar with the pruning of shade and ornamental trees. A qualified tree care expert trained in plant health fair can help answer your questions as well as help you with your tree pruning goals. Make sure to ask for tree pruning to be done according to ANSI A300 standards the generally accepted industry standard for tree care. A professional arborist can access your landscape and work with you to determine the best trees and shrubs to plant for existing landscape.

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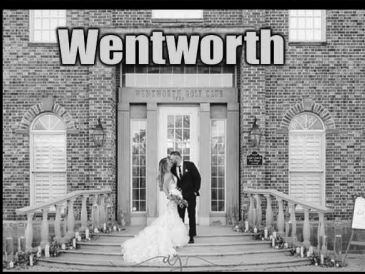
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## 5 Things You Need To Know About Air Conditioning

In warmer regions such as in Florida, an air conditioning (AC) system is more of a necessity than a luxury. As a homeowner, you should have some knowledge of how an AC works and what you are required to do to ensure the unit's optimal performance. Considering its cost and the monthly electricity bills, being knowledgeable about your cooling unit and be able to maintain it for achieving maximum efficiency. Here are five things that you should know about your home AC:

### 1. Reducing the Load on Your Cooling System

Fixing filters and ducts are two ways to reduce the load on your HVAC unit. Ensure that the air circulation in the condenser coils is not blocked. In the case of a blockage, the air around the AC coil may become stagnant, preventing it from being warmed and eventually freezing the refrigerant. We recommend that you get the condenser coils inspected by one of our AC repair experts to avoid high maintenance costs.

### 2. Replacing Air Filters

Improve your HVAC system's performance by replacing dirty air filters on a periodic basis. Install new ones each month for your window and central units. If your AC has washable filters, clean them regularly. Check the filter's minimum efficiency reporting value (MERV) that varies from 1-12 for residential cooling units. The higher the MERV, the better will be your home's indoor air quality.

### 3. Making Your AC More Energy- Efficient

To improve the performance of your AC, improve the energy efficiency of your home. Install double or triple glazed windows, fix leaking walls, and insulate the roof. These steps will stop the heat from entering or escaping your home, thus reducing the unit's load, reducing your power bills, and improving the system's lifespan.

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### 4. Keeping Your Rooms Cool

Keep the blinds down during the daytime to improve the system's cooling efficiency. Consider drawing the curtains to protect your windows from the sun's heat.

### 5. Maintaining the System

Maintenance involves cleaning the coils, filters, lubricating motors, cleaning the blowers, adjusting or fixing the fan belts, checking operating temperatures, examining the controls, and inspecting the refrigerant level and pressures. It is recommended that the unit is on a regular

## The Palm Harbor Community Chorus



The Palm Harbor Chorus invites you to the Palm Harbor Library (2330 Nebraska Ave. PH) on Saturday December 16th a 2pm to enjoy our performance of SOUNDS OF THE SEASON - an hour of holiday music that will bring the spirit of Christmas and Hanukkah into your hearts!

Take a break from the hustle and bustle of preparing for your holidays and come listen to what these holidays are all about! You'll love it!

**SOUNDS OF THE SEASON**  
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## December Yard and Garden Calendar

### What to plant in December:

#### Flowers:

Annuals: Baby's Breath, Calendula, California Poppy, Delphinium, Dianthus, Dianthus, Dusty Miller, Foxglove, Geranium, Hollyhock, Nasturtium, Ornamental Cabbage/Kale, Pansy, Phlox (annual), Snapdragon, Stock, Sweet Pea.

#### Bulbs:

African Lily, Amaryllis, Aztec Lily, Calla, Clivia, Crinum, Hurricane Lily, Narcissus, Watsonia, Zephyr Lily.

#### Herbs and Spices:

Anise, Basil, Bay Laurel, Borage, Caraway, Cardamom, Chervil, Chives, Dill, Fennel, Garlic, Ginger, Lemon Balm, Lovage, Mint, Oregano, Rosemary, Sage, Savory, Thyme, Watercress.

#### Plant and Fertilize Annuals:

To perk up the look of your yard now is a good time to fertilize your existing annuals and maybe plant some additional some from the list above.

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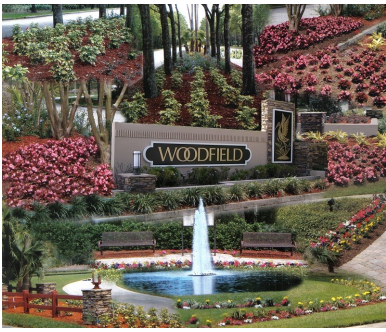
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