



Wedgefield Plantation Association

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### **PRESIDENT'S LETTER**

Dan Longhi, President

As you know the Board has been dealing with numerous issues. It seems that when we settle one issue two more take its place. The Board is handling these issues as best they can. We are involved in multiple lawsuits: golf course, office, canals, and the Tiller pond. In addition, there is a petition to remove the Board of Directors from their positions, even though we will be having the Annual Meeting in a short time and elections will be taking place.

The owners of the golf course want to build homes on golf course property. A resident is suing because of the location of the new office and lastly, the Tiller family "Pig Pen Inc. lawsuit is still unresolved and may remain that way for a while. At this time, the Board feels the golf course should stay as is, since we will not budge on compromising the PUD. I am hopeful that the office and canal permit lawsuits, as well as the Tiller lawsuit, will all be resolved. As for the recall petition, we are wrongly being cited for mismanagement of the Plantation. **I hope everyone knows that our decisions are governed by the guidelines of the Covenants, By-Laws and Restrictions being applied fairly, and by using good judgment. Our Covenants and By-Laws are not always cut and dry. Proof being, the two restraining orders the WPA received prior to the court hearings. The restraining orders do not have any bearing on the court's final decision.**

The Plantation is very fortunate to have the dedicated people now serving on the Board. Please

remember, it's not a case of us versus them. The Board is comprised of residents who also want a great place to live. This Board works hard and has nothing but the well being of the Plantation at heart.



### **AUGUST BOARD MEETING**

The August Monthly Board Meeting will be held at the Georgetown Presbyterian Church at 10:00 a.m., SATURDAY August 16th, 2008, followed by a Special Informational Meeting.

### **ROADS COMMITTEE**

Rick Buono



The committee has initiated a procedure of taking digital photos of new home construction sites in order to document the condition of the Plantation's roads prior to construction. Roads could be damaged when construction equipment enters and exits the construction site. The Association will now have an irrefutable visual record of what the road looked like prior to construction. Hopefully, this will alleviate any potential situations where a builder may state the road was in poor condition prior to the onset of construction and refuse to pay for damages to the road.

The committee requests residents report any significant road problems to the Association office at 546-2718.



The Annual Meeting is fast approaching. The Nominating Committee is soliciting volunteers to run at the November election for WPA Board positions.

What transpires on the Plantation is up to you! Money and assessments seem to be a big concern. If you want a say on how your money is spent, turn in your resume for one of the available Board positions.

I think the residents should understand a proportionate membership on the Board of Directors would be appropriate for the well being of the **entire plantation.**

**Please put your resume in the drop box at the Gatehouse area (near the map) or, mail it to: WPA 1956 Wedgefield Road Georgetown, SC 29440. NOTE: resumes will not be accepted at the Gatehouse.**

**The dead line for submitting resumes for the Annual Meeting is September 5, 2008.**



In an effort to slow traffic and make it safer for our residents, we have placed additional STOP signs in Wedgefield. We have added a three-way STOP at the corner of Wedgefield Road and Francis Parker and also at the corner of Wraggs Ferry and Haig Court.

Please be aware of these new STOP signs and be mindful of your neighbors by obeying all traffic signs within Wedgefield.

These signs, as well as all others, are enforceable by our law enforcement agencies.

SPEED HUMPS are being investigated for the future. Speed Humps are wide raised areas in the road that will slow traffic, but not cause a hard bump. If these were to be decided on, the new stop signs will be removed.

## **ARC REPORT:** Ron Pietkewicz



Since the last issue of the Wragg, the following ARC activities occurred:

1. Approved the clearing of lot 500, Francis Parker. Jim Cavanaugh and I met with the applicant, viewed the property, saw it was staked and trees tagged. The ARC committee gave subsequent approval.
2. Approved plans for the construction of an attached porch for lot #70 John Greene Lane.
3. Contacted owner concerning a patio constructed at the rear of a property at the end of Francis Parker that does not comply with our required setbacks. Appeal pending.
4. Approved an extension for 189 Governor Johnston Road.
5. Approved a replacement porch and steps for 134 John Greene Lane.
6. Approved an extension for 223 Wragg's Ferry Rd.
7. Approved minor home plan changes for Lot 200 Wragg's Ferry. Request for a new patio was subject to the following restrictions: **Conditions:** Owner was asked: "please submit a drawing of the new patio showing dimensions from property lines. Your patio must be within 15 foot side and rear setbacks."
8. Final inspection was conducted for home on Ballard. ARC approved its part of inspection; however, there are some drainage and road damage issues to be handled before refund is granted.
9. Final inspection for home on Captain Anthony was conducted. ARC approved.
10. A final inspection was approved for a home built on Francis Parker.
11. A porch remodel/extension was approved for a home on Swamp Fox Lane.
12. An application for a shed to be placed on a property on John Waites Ct was denied because of a setback issue.

## SAFETY

### ROADWAYS OF WEDGEFIELD PLANTATION

Wedgefield Plantation Association has signed an agreement with the Sheriff's Department, which grants the Department jurisdiction to come into the Plantation for the purpose of enforcing traffic laws.

#### **Motor Vehicles – (Combustible or Electric)**

All persons who operate any Motor Vehicle on the roadways of Wedgefield Plantation **MUST** have a valid operator license.

Unlicensed and unregistered Motor Vehicles, with the exception of Golf Carts and maintenance type vehicles, lawn mower, tractor, etc., are **prohibited** from being operated on Wedgefield Plantation Association roadways.

#### GOLF CARTS

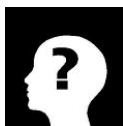
The Wedgefield Plantation Association Board (WPA) is renewing its efforts to provide a safe and legal environment for golf cart usage on the Plantation. At present, the number of golf carts is increasing, and the potential for unwanted accidents is increasing as well. The rules for using golf carts are outlined in the Policy Manual under Safety (Current Membership Manual, pages 26-27).

The Wedgefield Plantation Association shall require each property owner/s, who allows their golf cart to be driven by either himself or herself, members of his/her family or guests, to sign a waiver of liability releasing the Wedgefield Plantation Association, its Board of Directors, and land employees from any and all liability for any injury suffered by the aforementioned individuals while (1) using or being on any road or property owned by Wedgefield Plantation Association, or (2) driving, riding, or otherwise using a motorized golf cart on Wedgefield Plantation Association roads and property.

Effective immediately, all owners whose golf cart is not registered with the WPA must do so at the WPA office. The effort involves signing the waiver of liability and obtaining a numbered Wedgefield sticker, which is to be affixed to the windshield of the golf cart. Owners having more than one golf cart must register each one in the same manner. Owners, who have already signed the waiver of liability form, must obtain the numbered Wedgefield sticker at the WPA office, and affix it to their golf cart windshield.

### **See if you can solve the riddle.**

Three people go fishing -- two fathers and two sons. How is this possible?



The three people are a grandfather, father, and son.



## **COMMUNICATIONS REPORT**

Calvin Foxwell

Things have slowed down a little for the Communications Committee. Santee Electric has completed work on the new streetlights on Francis Parker, in the Condo area and on Pool Place. These areas now have much more light to help protect the area at night.

We have a lot of people that enjoy walking and riding bikes, so please be very careful as you drive around Wedgefield, especially in the early morning, dusk, and late evening hours.

As you walk or ride, please remember to use the proper side of the road and be SAFE!

Thank you for helping keep our streets clean by picking up litter, whether it's yours or some else's.

Summer is in full swing, so be careful and don't get too over heated as you work and play around our beautiful Wedgefield Plantation.



## WOW for C.A.S.A.

### **SILENT AUCTION**

The Women of Wedgefield will hold a Silent Auction to benefit C.A.S.A (Citizens Against Spousal Abuse) on Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the VFW on Church Street, Georgetown. There will be food, entertainment by DJ Brad Pietkewicz, and a cash bar.

Plan to attend this gala fundraiser! You'll have fun participating in the auction while making a contribution to an important local organization.

Look for more information to follow!



## YARD OF THE MONTH

### **Congratulations to our 2008 “Yard of the Month” winners!**

Each winner will receive \$50.00 and have a sign placed in their yard recognizing them for their efforts to help “Keep Wedgefield Beautiful”.

- August:        Rose Tilley  
                    86 Ballard Place
- July:            Herbert and Wanda Gray  
                    2651 Wedgefield Road
- June:            Hinson and Lavonne Floyd  
                    117 John Waties
- May:            Len and Bev Aberle  
                    37 Possum Trot
- April:            Richard and Jean Henning  
                    58 King George

Who will be next? Check the sign at the entrance each month for a new winner. If you would like to participate on the Yard of the Month Committee, please contact the WPA office at 546-2718.



## **WEDGEFIELD PLANTATION ASSOCIATION**

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\*All communications are available at this time.

## WOW – WOMEN OF WEDGEFIELD

The Women of Wedgefield is an organization open to all women living in Wedgefield Plantation. We meet the second Wednesday of the month, usually with a luncheon at a local restaurant. Whenever possible, we like to include a program of interest. Last year programs included visits to Hobcaw Barony, the Alabama Theater and a talk by a chiropractor, among other things.

Each year, we have a fundraiser to benefit a local charity.

If you are interested in becoming a member or would like information regarding upcoming programs, please contact one of the following: Johanna Garrison, President (546-6451), Inge Ebert, Vice President (546-8986), Joy Birnbaum, Co-Secretary (520-1528), Marj Wells, Co-Secretary (520-0354), Jude Davis, Treasurer (527-3448), or Barb Nichols, Sunshine Chair (545-1199).

## STREETLIGHTS

If you notice any streetlight that is not functioning, please note the number on the pole and the poles location. You can then call our office at 546-2718 and report the problem. We will notify Santee Electric and have the light repaired. Thank you, WPA



## REAL ESTATE SIGNS

Only two signs are allowed on a lot. One sign may be located in the backyard and one in the front yard, 15 feet from the edge of the roadway.

## SALE OF PROPERTY

If you buy or sell any Wedgefield property, please help us out by letting the office know that a transfer has occurred. This helps keep our records up to date.

## **See if you can solve the riddle.**

What gets wetter and wetter the more it dries?



A towel.

**NOTICE:** If you wish to speak to any Board Member, please call the office and leave a message. Please DO NOT call Board Members at home. Also, if you have a topic concerning Wedgefield Plantation and would like to address the Board at a meeting, please contact the office at 546-2718. This must be done one week prior to the meeting and must be in writing with your name and the topic to be discussed. Thank You!



**WEDGEFIELD PLANTATION  
ASSOCIATION WEBSITE**

Have you checked out the Wedgefield Plantation Association's website?

The web address is:

**WEDGEFIELD-PLANTATION.COM**

Want to check the by-laws or covenants of the Association? Do you need to know who the board officers and committees are? Want to know when and where the monthly meetings are held? You can find all this information on the website.

Also there are copies of the committee and board reports including budget reports from the meetings. There is a Community Services area, link to the Golf Course and Manor House with menus and other community links. Past issues of the Wragg are also available.

This website is for you. We have space and can add other items of interest to members of the community. Please contact me at [davidah@msn.com](mailto: davidah@msn.com).

**REMINDER TO DOG OWNERS**

The WPA and Georgetown covenants require that dogs be leashed. Calls are coming into the office concerning dogs running unattended and barking. Please control your dog's barking, leash, and clean up after it.

**MANY THANKS to MADELINE CLAVELOUX for the outstanding contribution she's made as Editor of the Wragg over the last 3 years!**

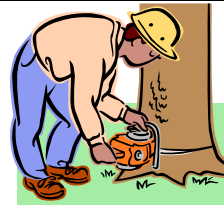


**CLASSIFIEDS**

About our classifieds...Ads are free, but the advertiser needs to live in Wedgefield Plantation and provide his/her services to Wedgefield residents.

**16-year-old** experienced **babysitter** seeks summer employment. Has own transportation and is CERTIFIED by the Safe Sitters Program through the Georgetown Hospital. References available upon request. Please contact Hannah at 546-0213 or at [hannah\\_ohlinger@yahoo.com](mailto:hannah_ohlinger@yahoo.com)

**Stained Glass by Joy**..... Custom stained glass windows, cabinet doors, mirrors, boxes, and gift items. 520-1528



**NOTICE**

**ANY LOT CLEARING**

**MUST BE**

**APPROVED BY**

**THE WPA BOARD**

**WRAGG CONTACT INFO:** Anyone wishing to share family news (births, weddings, graduations, promotions, helpful community info, etc.) may email your news to: [wedgefieldwragg@gmail.com](mailto:wedgefieldwragg@gmail.com)



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