

WEDGEFIELD WRAGG

Wedgfield Plantation Association

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Water Amenities	-----	Bob Garrison
Welcome	-----	George Wilson

PRESIDENTS REPORT

As we start a new year my agenda is simple, we will move the community forward to the top rated status it once was. With the help of this Board and the outstanding citizens in the Wedgefield community, there is no reason why we cannot accomplish this goal.

We, as a Board, will work toward this goal by following this simple guideline:

1. Follow the Bylaws, Covenants and Policy Manual.
2. Get the facts.
3. Communicate with all Board members

I would ask that the Board be given a fair chance to do our job so we can move forward in conducting the business of Wedgefield Plantation.

The Board received an email from a resident regarding Electronic Voting. One of the websites that was recommended is VoteHOAnow.com

Please review this website at your convenience and provide any feedback to the office. I feel this may help us in our election process.

The Board welcomes your constructive feedback and we are always open to your positive suggestions and comments.

JACKY WALTON, PRESIDENT

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I would like to thank each of you that have volunteered your time and talent during the course of this last year toward the betterment of your community, whether it has been in

service as a Board member, committee chairman, committee person or by individual contribution. These positive contributions take on many forms, a lot of which many times go unnoticed by the majority of the membership, as they are committed quietly and without fanfare or self-serving motivations. These contributions, however, are vital to the success of the plantation and the enhancement of much needed community spirit, and you are each to be commended for your participation and willingness to give of yourselves.

One of the more obvious manifestations of these contributions was the effort to decorate the plantation for the holidays and the subsequent tree lighting. The community spirit demonstrated and, more importantly, the decision to use this time to give to others by the collection of toys for the Salvation Army goes to show just how terrific a place this can be when people set aside their differences and resolve to work together for the good of their community.

Complaints and criticisms without remedy are decidedly unhelpful in accomplishing the tasks that lay before us. Recognizing problems and offering constructive solutions along with being willing to participate in effecting those solutions is the path that I implore each of you to consider as we move into 2011. We can bring back to this plantation the type of community spirit that will enrich each of us if we choose to do so.

**BOB GARRISON, VICE
PRESIDENT**

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The 2010 Wedgefield Annual Meeting was held November 13th. John McBride, George Wilson, Bob Garrison, Jacky Walton and Jason Barrier were elected. The meeting lasted until just past six o'clock p.m. The Board is resolved to prevent this from happening in the future and will gather information from the participants and come up with a more standardized process to facilitate an accurate but faster method of counting the ballots.

I would like to thank the election committee for all of the time they spent sequestered in the classroom.

All minutes are now up to date and will be voted on tonight. There were corrections to the Annual Meeting minutes from the 2009 meeting and the Board has decided to post the corrected version and make a statement that they are approved. They will be approved at next year's Annual Meeting. For those of you who are unaware, the August meeting was particularly long and both tape recorders ran out of battery charge before the meeting was concluded. An alternate source was found. This is why the minutes were not prepared in a timely manner.

The Board held a re-organizational meeting 11/26/10. All eight members attended. Jacky Walton was named President, Bob Garrison Vice President, and Ruth Reames Treasurer. The vote on who would be the Secretary was tied. A meeting was held 12/14/10 to find a replacement Board member and all Board

members were present. In this meeting, Jackie Walters was selected out of three applicants to replace Roger Armistead. Mrs. Walters' background in public relations will be particularly useful in the coming months as we work to improve our image in the wider community. Following her selection, another vote was taken and Jason Barrier was elected Board Secretary.

The Board is looking into an e-scan system to scan office items and store them on the computer.

New directories will be available after the New Year

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JASON BARRIER, SECRETARY

WATER AMENITIES

Primarily through the effort of Larry McMillan, the chairman of the grounds committee, a bid has been obtained for repair to the bulkhead along the main entrance canal. This bid will be discussed for approval at the January meeting.

The water amenities committee is seeking volunteers to serve on the committee. Anyone interested is encouraged to notify the office of his or her desire to serve.

BOB GARRISON, CHAIRMAN

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR –

Bill Nichols

Presented by Jackie Walters



Bill Nichols, a Georgetown institution, has lived in Wedgefield since the early days. In 1975 he packed up his lovely wife Betty, their two children, Anita and Todd and left their hometown near York, SC to pursue his dream (at least one of them) of working in radio. Bill worked as the station manager at WGTN/WAZX (later WSHG) and four years later became one of the owners. He and his partners sold the business in 1987, but Bill stayed in radio for a total of 34 years. He continued to work in advertising at the Georgetown Times and cable television advertising. Bill rounded out his career working with the Georgetown County Sheriff's office as the Public Information officer, retiring in 2005. Bill also served on Georgetown County Council for 12 years – several of those as Chairman.

When Bill and Betty moved here, Wedgefield Plantation was struggling – the developing group had gone bankrupt, the Manor House had been destroyed by fire and there were only 15 or so houses dotted around the plantation, along with the original condominiums. “We were all so close,” Betty said, “Someone had a tractor and would use it to keep the sides of the road cut and we all pooled our money together to buy chemicals for the condo pool so the kids could use it.”

Bill remembers being attracted to the neighborhood because it was like “living in the country but close and convenient for us working in Georgetown”. The neighborhood was so small, there was only one water meter at the front gate and everyone paid an equal sum each month – usually around \$10 each. “The kids had a blast out here”.

Bill and Betty Nichols still enjoy living here in Wedgefield. Their daughter Anita Weaver and her husband Carter are raising their two children here also. Their son, Todd, lives in Greenville with his family.

“Wedgefield was a good place to live and raise our family. It's been good to us”.



WOMEN OF WEDGEFIELD **BRIDGE CLUB**

The Women of Wedgefield Bridge Club will be celebrating its 20th anniversary April 2011. Over the years we have had a tremendous turnover, due to relocations and deaths, therefore we are always looking for new members.

We play two types of bridge, Duplicate Bridge, directed by Thelma Beaubian and Chicago Bridge, directed by Olga Abbott, on alternating Tuesdays at the Plantation House at 1 p.m.

Free bridge lessons are being offered, by Thelma Beaubian, for beginner and intermediate players or anyone needing to brush up their skills. Lessons are Monday mornings at 10 a.m., for 6 – 8 weeks. Please call Thelma Beaubian at 527-1833 for information.

WOMEN OF WEDGEFIELD (WOW)

The December meeting of WOW was held after a Christmas dinner party at the home of a member. Over thirty boxes of herbal tea were collected for donation to Hospice patients and their families. In lieu of a gift exchange, a cash donation of \$170.00 was also collected for Hospice. This was the culmination of a productive year filled with many exciting adventures for WOW.

January's meeting was an exceptional luncheon at Portofino's on the Wharf. Plans were discussed for the coming year, and new members were welcomed. The leadership team for 2011 was introduced: Carolyn McBride, Janet Smith, Tracy Cristello Sandy McMillan and Tess Wheeler. Jude Davis, Connie Jefferson/Lange and Madeline Claveloux will serve as advisers. Betsy Marlowe presented a brief program on Ruby's kids. In February Wanda Nakata, of Portland, Oregon will present a special fashion show coordinating clothing from the Hospice shop with an existing wardrobe. This will be an evening meeting with wine and cheese. A special thank you to Al DeMarchi for assisting us.

We will have a showing of "Sex and the City II" at the Davis home theater in March. The evening will include dressing in our New York's finest, Cosmopolitans, and dinner.

Women of Wedgefield meet on the second Wednesday of each month. All residents are invited. Bring your smiling face and join us in the fun!! This year we're going to try and vary the day and time of meetings so that those who work can attend.

If you would like more information, please call Carolyn McBride at 520-1853 or Tess Wheeler at 546-4071. We look forward to seeing you.

HOLIDAY LIGHTS CONTEST

Each holiday season, the WPA conducts a Holiday Lights/Decoration contest. Homes are judged in five different categories including Best Christmas Lights, Christmas Spirit, Best Front Door Display, Fantasy Theme and All - Natural. A three-person committee consisting of Crissy Barrier, Jackie Walters and Melody Taylor judged homes individually and compared their selections. Some of the winners are listed below:

BEST CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Paul and Barbara Rickey
SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS
William and Ginger Gray
FANTASY THEME
JL and Beth McAlister

211 Live Oak Lane

BEST FRONT DOOR DISPLAY

Lamar and Diane Hammett
77 Captain Anthony White
ALL NATURAL THEME
Butch Williams
87 Francis Parker

Congratulations to the winners



CHRISTMAS DECORATING AND TREE LIGHTING FESTIVITIES

The Association officially kicked off the Holiday Season with fun and joy. The week of November 29, 2010 through December 4, 2010 was very busy with volunteers putting up decorations from the gate house to the office and circle. Many hands made light work and result was beautiful.

Included in the Decorating Team were:

Larry and Sandy McMillan, Jackie Walton, Yvette Wijthoff, Madeline Claveloux, John and Carolyn McBride, Dave and Sue Hastings, John Sasso, Randy Vaughan, Mike and Judy Davis, Ed Wozniak, Karl Gettman, Tess and R.V. Wheeler.

Barbara Rickey created the new beautiful red bows for wreaths and garland.

The week culminated in a great celebration on Sunday, December 5 at 5:00 p.m. At least 75 residents, children and grandchildren were in attendance. Some of the children arrived wearing holiday pajamas! Very cute! Cheerful holiday music filled the air! Thanks Mike Davis! A van load full of toys was donated to the Salvation Army. Captain Jason Hughes received the toys provided by the residents and thanked the community for their generosity. The donated items were collected in a decorated bin and were piled so high the toys over-flowed onto the lawn! There were toys for boys and girls and included all ages.

Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus arrived in style on a decorated golf cart provided by Dave Hastings. Thanks to John and Patricia Geiger for providing such a wonderful surprise for children

of all ages. They made quite a handsome Mr. And Mrs. Claus. Jude and her trusty sidekick Duncan served as emissaries for the Claus family and welcomed guests as they came up to visit Santa. The North Pole provided candy canes. Food and beverages were provided by donations. R.V. and Tess Wheeler chaired the refreshments team and served warm apple cider, hot chocolate, brownies and holiday treats for the residents.

WANTED!

Beginner or rusty lady golfers who are free from 8:30 – 11:30 Thursday mornings.

We promise you will have fun and not be intimidated.

Call Laura Vaughan at 843-520-1993 for information about Wedgefield's 9 Hole Ladies Golf Group.

LADIES 18 HOLE GOLF ASSOCIATION

The object of the Wedgefield Ladies Golf Association is to stimulate interest in the game of golf and to promote good sportsmanship. Membership in the country club is not required. Play is on Wednesdays - time varies with the seasons. The group maintains membership in the Womens South Carolina Golf Association, which holds several tournaments during the year. If you are an 18-hole golfer, or know someone outside of Wedgefield, who is interested in joining, please call Janet Ransom at 843-546-1027.

**RESIDENT CONTACT
INFORMATION**

WEB PAGE:

www.Wedgefield-Plantation.com

The only official website for residents of Wedgefield.

Lists Board Officers and Committee Chairs.

Contains links to the by-laws and covenants of the Association.

Check the website for this and other pertinent information for residents of Wedgefield.

To access the "Residents Only" area and obtain a personal access number, contact Dave Hastings at davidah@msn.com

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Please remember to keep your dog on a leash, control barking and clean up after your pet.



If you notice a street light not working - please provide the office with the location and the number on the pole. Arrangements will be made with Santee Cooper for its repair.

If you, your club or committee are planning events and would like information inserted in the Wragg - please submit your article to the office - Att: Wragg Editor

RESIDENT SERVICES

If you provide baby-sitting services, pet sitting services, or any other service that might be useful to you neighbors, please leave all pertinent information at the office.



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