

The Wakefield Whistle

A newsletter for the residents of Wakefield Plantation



Spring 2006

Spring is Coming—Is Your Yard Ready?

Spring is almost here, emphasis on almost. You can minimize frost damage to smaller plants by covering them with cloth or plastic, especially at night, but remove any covering as the day warms.

Lawn grasses and larger plants like trees and shrubs have adequate food reserves to help them re-grow after a killing frost. However, repeated frosts can deplete these food reserves and eventually kill plants. Keeping your lawn and landscape healthy will help it withstand damaging weather.

A Good Starting Place

As spring arrives with balmy breezes and colorful blooms, it's tempting to get carried away with planting. Better to start with a sketched plan that outlines your goals – whether it's establishing a small bed or redoing your entire landscape. A plan helps you visualize the desired results, focus your efforts step by step, and keep track of the plants you intend to use.

Landscape Projects

Though fall is preferable, if you do choose to plant shrubs or trees in the spring, choose container-grown plants for best results and avoid balled and burlapped (B&B) plants.

- Place the plant in the hole so that the top of the root ball will be at the same level as the surrounding soil.
- Pack the soil beneath the root ball so the plant will not settle below the intended planting depth.
- Water so that the soil is moist, not wet, during the first few weeks after planting. Stake the plant only if it has trouble remaining upright.

Watering Wisely

Spring rains are normally sufficient, but if you do need to water during a dry spell, remember to water deeply so the moisture penetrates four to six inches into the soil. The point is to help plants establish roots deeper into the soil, making them sturdier and more drought resistant.

Tips for the Landscape

Early spring is the time to apply pre-emergent herbicides to your lawn and landscape. Applications made now will help reduce many of the summer annual weeds that appear later in the growing season. As with any product, when choosing and using a pre-emergent herbicide, carefully read and follow the label directions regarding weeds controlled, safety for specific plants, application rates and methods, watering requirements, and any other safety precautions.

Be Aware

Plant pests tend to increase with the temperatures, so now is the time to check your lawn and landscape plants for harmful insects and plan appropriate control strategies. Some of the pests expected to become more active in the Southeast are scale, lace bugs and aphids.

Landscape Tools

As you head into the mowing season, make sure mowers and other cutting implements have been sharpened, and lubricate all tools with moving parts. Make sure all your safety equipment – eye protection, gloves, work boots, and first aid kit – are readily accessible and in good shape.



Wakefield Family Fun Night took place on February 25, and a good time was had by all, small and large. Ice cream and a live microphone make for some touch choices above. More photos inside!



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Wakefield Family Fun Night

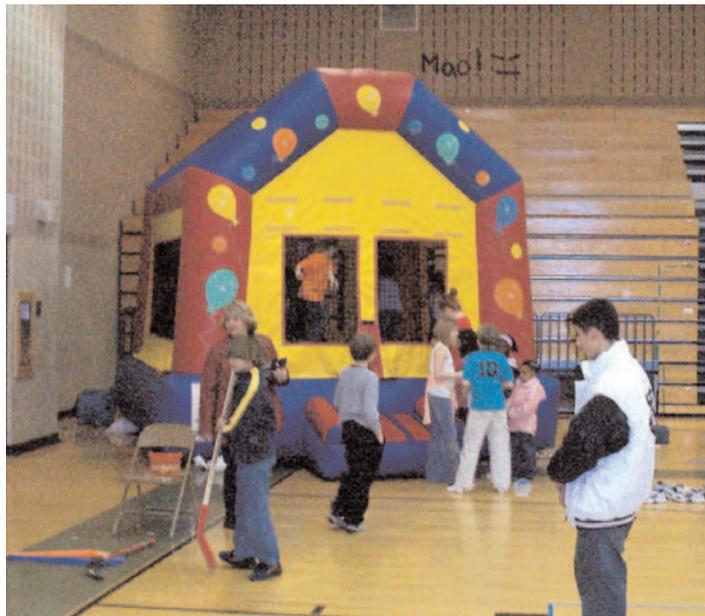
Enthusiastic Turnout for Family Event!

For a few hours on Saturday, February 25, the cafeteria, gyms and auditorium of Wakefield High School surrendered to a swarm of Wakefield Elementary students and their families, all for the seventh annual night of family fun and togetherness.

With food provided by **Gianni & Gaitano's**, **Dairy Queen** and **Great American Cookies**, the cafeteria was bustling, doling out a steady stream of pizza slices, chicken wraps, drinks and desserts. Music thumped in the background, while a DJ armed with dualing iPods served up a beat-intensive mix ready made to get the young ones (and some of their less inhibited parents) shaking it up on the linoleum.

In the auditorium, **World Champion Tae Kwon Do** offered a series of entertaining and impressive tae kwon do demonstrations, filling the stage with members of the audience for an impromptu lesson. Black belt demonstrations followed, with high-flying and multiple board-breaking.

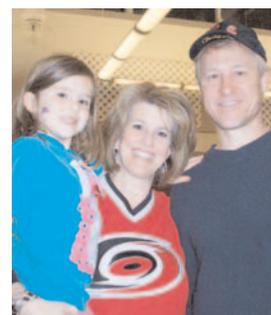
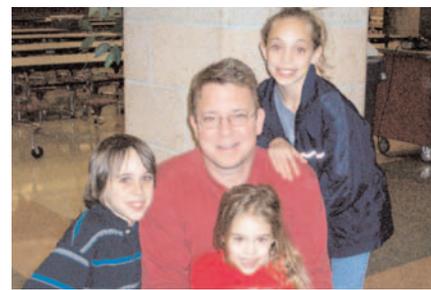
Games and inflatables, like a moon bounce and an enormous slide, filled the two gyms and kept the little ones busy and out of breath (and likely easier to get to bed that night). Parents were kept busy keeping track of their whereabouts, as well as carrying hard-earned prizes from such games as the frog toss, free-throw toss, soccer kick and hockey puck challenge.



At 7:30, raffle tickets were drawn to award four pair of Hurricanes tickets. The lucky winners were Alice Lynch and Debbie Lee.

The event was chaired by **Deana and Robert Yeoman**, who deserve a big "thank you" for all their hard work. Additional thank you's go out to PTA President Cindy Baldwin, the Pavlinac family, **ITCDelta.com**, **Systel** and all the teachers, families and kids who helped organize and support the event.

More Family Fun Night Photos!



Neighborhood News

Annual Meeting

Wakefield Homeowners:

The Annual Meeting is scheduled for April 5th at 7:00 pm in the Wakefield High school auditorium.

In this upcoming Annual Meeting for the community, the responsibility of the Association will be turned over to the homeowners from the developer. PPM has sent a notice with the details of homeowners who are interested in serving on the Board of Directors. If you cannot attend please complete and return the proxy included in the PPM mailing.

If you have any further questions or concerns regarding this matter, please contact Jennifer Burch at jburch@ppmral.com or 919-848-4911 x 117.

Bobcat Alert

It has come to the attention of the Wakefield Glen Apartments manager that Animal Control has confirmed a couple sightings of bobcats around the apartments. We would like residents to be aware that there have been sightings and that at this time they are keeping to themselves.

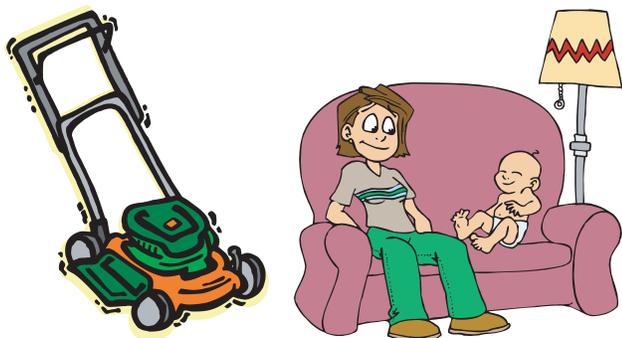
Since they have not bothered anyone, Animal Control will not do anything about it at this time. We will keep the community informed on this issue if there is any change. If you have any issues regarding these wild animals, please call Wake County Animal Control at 212-7387.



Services for Hire

Residents of Wakefield and their children are welcome to list their services for hire in this new feature! Services include babysitting, pet care, lawn care, cleaning etc. You must be a resident to take advantage of this free listing!

To list your neighborhood service, email: scokas@nc.rr.com and include your name, number and address. Only your name and number will appear in this column unless you would also like to include an email address. You may also list your hourly/job/rate or just negotiate once you get a call!



Attention Dog Owners:

Here are a few reminders for dog owners, especially when they walk their pet on community property.

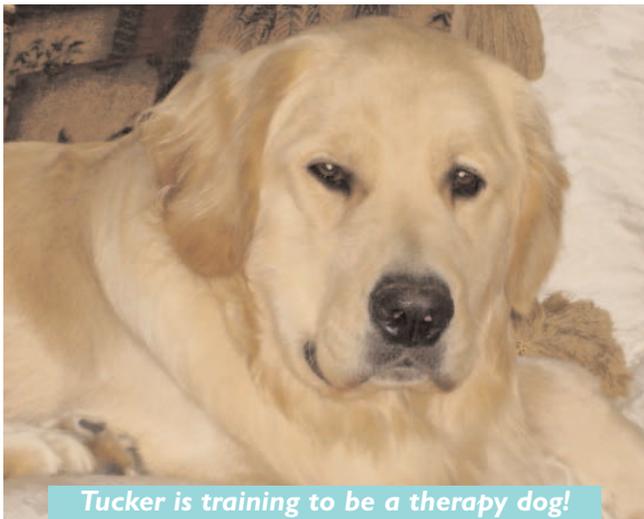
1. All dogs must be leashed- this is a city law and it is for both your dog's safety and the safety of other children/animals you pass with your animal.
2. Dogs are not permitted on the golf course.
3. Please pick up after your pets and do not allow them to use others lots for their business. Our community offers many doggie stations that are filled with bags and a place to dispose of your dog's waste. Also a growing number of concerned residents have complained that dogs have urinated in their yard and make yellow marks.

Many of our neighbors have wonderful pets. Try to be a considerate owner and take care of their business!

WAKEFIELD KIDS! ACTIVITY PAGE

Pet Gallery

Please send submissions (pictures in .jpg form, please) to scokas@nc.rr.com.

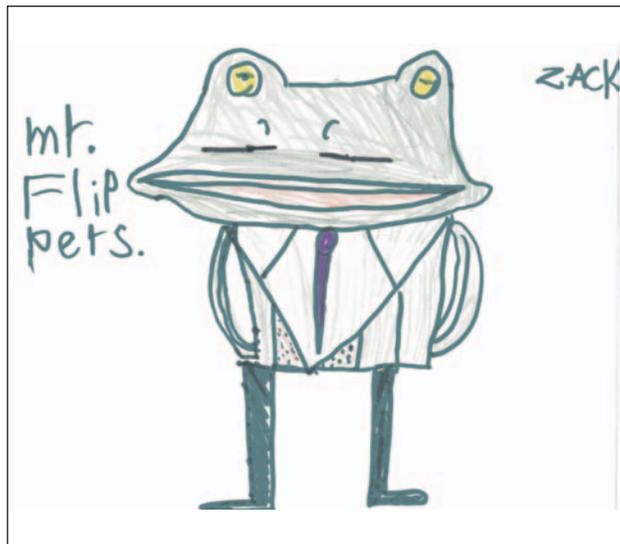


Tucker is training to be a therapy dog!

Photo courtesy of Kathy Oliva

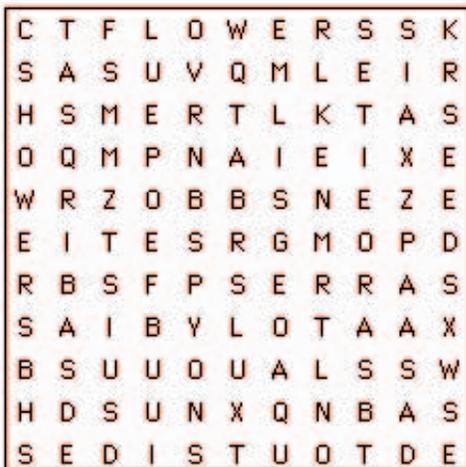
Art Gallery

Zack, Age 6



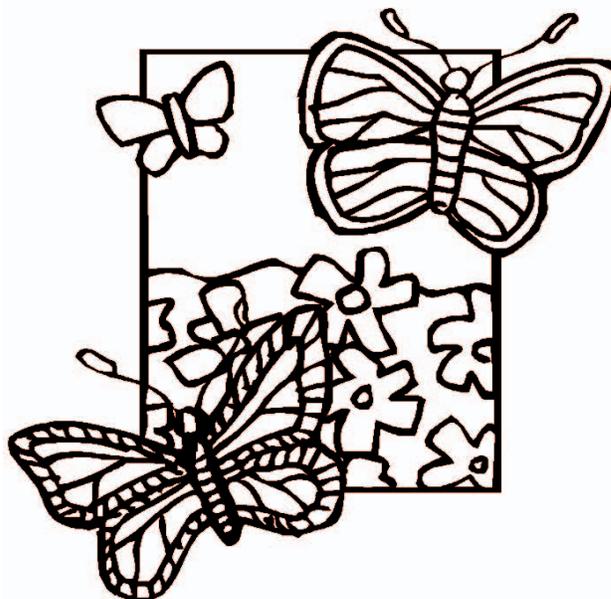
Zack was inspired by the detective character in the movie "Hoodwinked." Please send submissions (in .jpg or .pdf form, please) to scokas@nc.rr.com.

Spring Word Search



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| BASEBALL | FISH | PLANT |
| BIKES | FLOWERS | RAIN |
| BLOSSOMS | GRASS | SEEDS |
| BUDS | KITES | SHOWERS |
| CAMP | NEST | SUN |
| EASTER | OUTSIDE | WARM |

Coloring Fun!



SPRING

Spring Holiday Baking Ideas

Irish Soda Bread

This deluxe raisin-studded loaf is very traditional on St. Patrick's Day, and easy enough to make so the kids can help.

3-1/4 cups flour
 1/3 cup plus 1 Tbsp. sugar, divided
 1 tsp. Baking Powder
 1 tsp. baking soda
 1 tsp. salt
 1/2 cup (1 stick) cold butter
 1-1/3 cups buttermilk
 1/2 cup currants or raisins

PREHEAT oven to 350°F. Mix flour, 1/3 cup of the sugar, baking powder, baking soda and salt in large bowl. Cut in butter with pastry blender or 2 knives until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Add buttermilk and currants; mix just until moistened.

PLACE dough on floured surface; knead 10 times. Shape into round loaf, 2-1/2 inches thick. Place on greased baking sheet. Cut deep 1/2-inch "X" in top of dough. Sprinkle with remaining 1 Tbsp. sugar.

BAKE 1 hour or until golden brown. Cool completely on wire rack. Cut into 16 wedges to serve.



Cool Cottontail Cake

2 cups cold milk
 1 pkg. (4-serving size) vanilla flavor instant pudding & pie filling
 28 chocolate sandwich cookies
 1 cup miniature marshmallows
 1-1/2 cups thawed whipped topping
 1/2 cup coconut
 2 vanilla creme sandwich cookies
 3 gumdrops
 7 pieces red string licorice (6 inches each)

POUR milk into medium bowl. Add dry pudding mix. Beat with wire whisk 2 min. or until well blended; set aside.

LINE 8-inch round cake pan with plastic wrap. Arrange 14 of the chocolate sandwich cookies in bottom of pan; spread 1 cup of the pudding mixture over cookies. Top with marshmallows. Repeat layers of 14 cookies and remaining pudding mixture; cover with additional plastic wrap.

REFRIGERATE at least 24 hours. Uncover. Invert dessert onto serving plate; remove plastic wrap. Frost dessert with the whipped topping; sprinkle with coconut. Decorate with the cream sandwich cookies for the "bunny ears," the gumdrops for the "nose" and "eyes" and the licorice for the "mouth" and "whiskers." Store in refrigerator.



Wakefield Women's Club News

Wakefield Women's Club (WWC) is a great way to make friends, get to know your community and have fun.



(l-r) Marguerite, Carol, Marie and Kathy chat at the March WWC Luncheon

WWC Lunches

The monthly WWC lunches are at the TPC the first Wednesday of every month. Social Hour is 11:15 am, buffet lunch is noon. Luncheon cost is \$17 per person. Mail a check and your name and address to WWC, 14460 New Falls of Neuse Road, Suite #149-222, Raleigh, NC 27614.



Bev tells us "what NOT to wear!"

At the **March 1** lunch, the ladies learned to dress with confidence, style and grace. image consultant Bev Dwane guided club members through the process of creating an image that ensures, **WHAT WE SEE IS**

WHO YOU ARE! Bev spoke to us about the tools we can use to enhance our natural beauty. These tools include the use of color and makeup to accentuate your natural skin tone, and how to choose clothing with the best style and fit to flatter your figure.

Coming up... Please join us for our very energetic **April 5** luncheon event! **GET PLUGGED IN** and **TURNED ON** to **ENERGY** It's Our Future ...

The World's Population Increases 4.4 people every second. We've just reached 6.5 billion people living on this Earth. With each new birth, there is increased need for energy. How can we meet our world's Growing Energy Needs?

Learn about proven and promising energy technologies employed by people around the world, in the U.S., and on our own NC Coast, that are producing energy from renewable sources in order to meet our increasing energy demands.

Join a Panel of Energy Experts and Learn how Clean, Renewable Energy Sources can power our future!

Katy Ansardi, President, Sustainable NC
Jeff Brooks, Marketing Director, NC GreenPower
Alice Loyd, Director, Climate Connection Initiative, NC Council of Churches
Michael Grimm, Director of Logistics, AGRI Ethanol Products



WWC invites prospective members to participate in any of our club activities but to become a regular member of the group, participants must join the Club. Contact Betsy Philips for a WWC membership form at **453-0280** or use the form on the next page!

Calling all prospective new WWC board members!

We are looking for a few good ladies to serve with the upcoming 2006-2007 board. We already have some wonderful board members staying on and some fun new folks joining us. If you would like to get more involved, maybe even help pick speakers and topics for our popular luncheons, contact 2nd Vice President Susan Cokas at scokas@nc.rr.com.

**We are already planning a great upcoming year!
 Don't miss our end of year Pig Pickin', the invite is on page 8 of this newsletter.
 You can bring all your friends as prospective new members!**

Wakefield Women's Club Membership Form

WAKEFIELD WOMEN'S CLUB
Serving Wakefield and Surrounding Communities
Membership Information 2005-2006

Date _____
Name _____
Address _____
Sub-division _____
Phone _____ Email _____
Husband _____ Children _____

Which new activity would you like to see the WWC offer? _____

Which activity would you be willing to help organize? _____

What topics/speakers would you enjoy at the luncheons? _____

Committees: Please circle at least one committee on which you are interested in serving. If you don't have a preference, circle "Place Me!" and you will be placed where most needed.

Fashion Show	Membership	Social/Party Planners
Friends of the Community	New Members' Coffee	Telephone Committee
Halloween Parade	On Call Volunteer (1 time)	
Holiday Gala	Place Me	
Hospitality	Programs	

How did you hear about the Wakefield Women's Club?

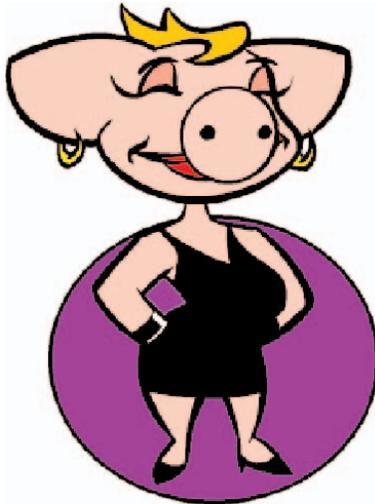
Are you employed outside the home or self-employed? (please circle)

If you are self-employed, what type of business? _____

Comments:

Please initial here if you DO NOT want your name to be included in the directory:

For more information about the club, please contact Betsy Philips, 453-0280 bptomcat@nc.rr.com or Patti Pilarinos, pepmailnow@earthlink.net. For more information go to WakefieldHOA.com and click on 'newsletters' and look for the WWC page. Please attach a \$30.00 check for 2005-2006 dues payable to Wakefield Women's Club, 14460 New Falls of Neuse Road, Suite 149-222, Raleigh, NC 27614 Or put your check in a sealed envelope and drop it off at the UPS Store, marked for Box 222, in the Kroger Shopping Center (Wakefield Commons). You do not have to belong to the Tournament Players' Club or live in Wakefield Plantation to join the Wakefield Women's Club.



Don't miss the
**Wakefield
Women's Club
2nd Annual
Pig Pickin'**

**Friday, May 5 from 6 -11 pm
at Crenshaw Hall
Featuring Staircase!**

(Our favorite band back by popular demand)



Y'all come enjoy great food by **Red Hot & Blue** and then dance the night away with a great band and fantastic friends!! We're setting up a huge party tent and dance floor for you and your guests. Bring a neighbor- this event is open to all Wakefield residents as well as WWC members. Please RSVP by Tuesday, April 25 so we can order more than enough BBQ!

RSVP Form

Cost: \$25 per person

I am enclosing check # _____ for _____ person(s) total:\$_____.

WWC Member name: _____

Spouse or guest name(s): _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Drop off check and form at the UPS Store (near Kroger's) Box 222 or mail to WWC, 14460 New Falls of Neuse Rd., Suite 149-222, Raleigh, NC 27614

Please reply by April 25, 2006

Welcome New Neighbors!

January 2006 - March 2006

Anthony & Amanda Baldassari: 11720-113 Mezzanine Dr. Mill Circle
 Richard & Mary Barton: 3110 Imperial Oaks Drive Alan & Holly Krakower 11904 Pawley's Mill Circle
 Barbara A. Batchelor: 3408 Parlor Street Diana Polimine & Ronald Lesniewski: 12213 Pawleys Mill Circle
 Kenidee Blake: 3101 Fortress Gate Drive Tommy & Janice Lewis: 2816 Crystal Oaks Lane
 Keith & Susan Bricklemeyer 11720-103 Mezzanine Dr. De Xiang & Jade Lin: 12367 Honeychurch Street
 Thomas & Bobbie Jean Brosnahan: 2553 Bent Green St. Wen Hong & Ling Yun Liu: 12508 Village Pines Lane
 David & Pamela Brown: 3111 Imperial Oaks Dr. Lisa Shearer & Marilyn Lockwood: 2548 Bent Green St.
 Laurie Butler: 2901 Imperial Oaks Drive Robert & Holly Lownes: 3709 Cathedral Bell Road
 Ray & Laura Canafax: 3112 Imperial Oaks Drive Elizabeth L. Mann: 12541 Waterlow Park Lane
 Jeffrey & Nannette Castor: 2905 Northop Court Sumith N. Mathur: 3304 Queensland Road
 John & Charlene Christie: 2713 Charleston Oaks Dr. Richard J. McCoid: 2900 Bergamot Court
 Jack & Margot Clifford: 3107 Imperial Oaks Drive Sandra S. McLaughlin 3609 Cathedral Bell Road
 Mark & Linda Cress: 3113 Imperial Oaks Drive Jason & Jennifer Moon: 12217 Fox Valley Street
 Craig & Traci Cullen: 2633 Garden Knoll Lane Rodney & Angela Moss: 11720-107 Mezzanine Drive
 Thong Tran & Binh Danh: 2901 Northop Court Michael Neugebauer: 3400 Secretariat Way
 Melissa C. Davidian: 3115 Imperial Oaks Drive Douglas & Michelle Perry: 2600 Garden Knoll Lane
 Ignatius DeMarco: 3109 Imperial Oaks Drive James & Michelle Piere-Louis: 2905 Witterton Place
 Frederick & Madalynn Doolittle: 3413 Secretariat Way Keith & Suzanne Portnoy: 13113 Elmleaf Court
 Leo Dunn III: 11835 Canemount Street Christos & Antonette Psarros: 12244 Beestone Lane
 Jeffrey & Lisa Evans: 12024 Pawleys Mill Circle Elinor J. Purdy: 3103 Imperial Oaks Drive
 Deborah A. Flynn: 3114 Imperial Oaks Drive Reginald & Beverly Randolph: 12408 Dunard Street
 Santos G. Fuentes: 12808 Rosalie Street Bobby L. Reardon: 3404 Secretariat Way
 Daniel & Gail Gabrielli: 12401 Honeychurch Street Regions Bank: 12133 Pawleys Mill Circle
 Joshua Stanton Goodwin: 3306 Cathedral Bell Road Deborah Jo Rhodes: 3404 Great Bear Lane
 Christine Nims & Stuart Grossman: 12412 Mayhurst Pl. Lucas & Stephanie Rice: 12317 Richmond Run Drive
 Nadia & Youssef Hammad: 12816 Pegasi Way Amanda Elston & Mark Risher: 12249 Beestone Lane
 Jason & Susette Harvey: 2904 Finsbury Parkway Bradley & Kathryn Roberts: 12504 Canolder Street
 Thor & Nancy Henriksen: 12104 Pawleys Mill Circle Russell & Annette Rodems: 2908 Northop Court
 Mark Hoffman: 11720-112 Mezzanine Drive Vincent & Sherry Salvaggio: 2205 Wakespring Court
 Inder & Sapna Hora: 2900 Northop Court Adan Plascencia Sanchez: 2333 Victoria Park Lane
 Peter & Patty Kang: 3216 Queensland Road Charles & Ioanna Schmidt: 2336 Spruce Shadows Lane
 Nam Ung & Kyoung Hwa Kim: 3418 Archdale Drive Jeffrey & Emmaline Simpson: 3406 Cathedral Bell Road
 Carole Edwards & Timothy Knieriem: 12329 Pawleys

Welcome New Neighbors!

January 2006 - March 2006

Richard & Diane Slater: 3713 Cathedral Bell Road

Alphonso & Ronda Smith: 2609 Stratford Hall Drive

Stephen Paul Snyder: 3408 Great Bear Lane

Valentyna Sokolev: 12401 Draco Road

Colleen Marie Toscanoi: 3412 Great Bear Lane

Sunyea Lee & Victor Valle: 3013 London Bell Drive

Edward Vilbar Vega: 12532 Waterlow Park Lane

Brian & Carol Veniez: 3401 Secretariat Way

John Anthony Weiss: 3117 Imperial Oaks Drive

Jimmy Allen White: 2904 Northop Court

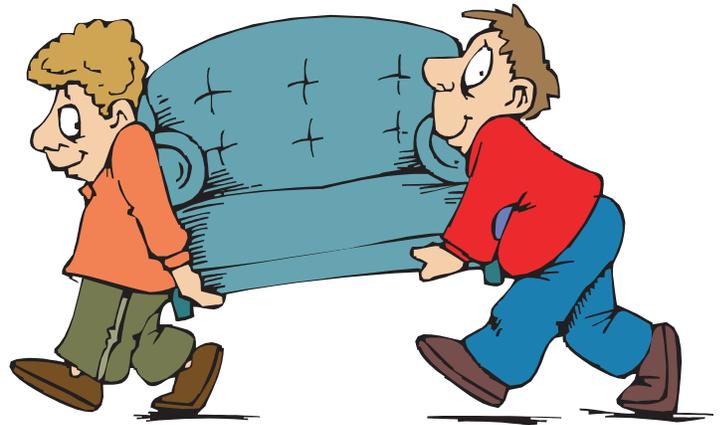
Elizabeth Woods: 3116 Imperial Oaks Drive

Gerald & Della Woods: 3119 Imperial Oaks Drive

Kenneth & Joyce Wright: 3409 Parlor Street

Jay & Julie Yovanovich: 12427 Canolder Street

Charles & Carol Ann Zanon: 12202 Orchardgrass Lane

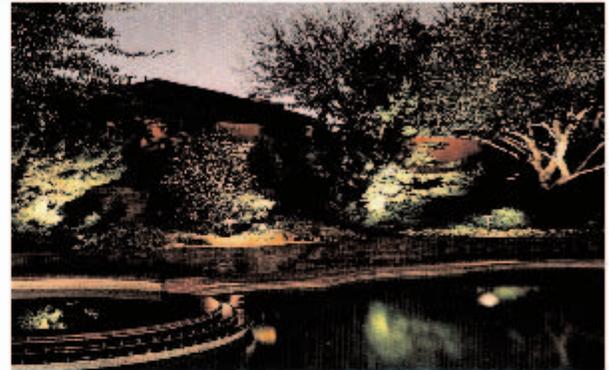


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