



2017 Membership Form

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EMAIL _____ EMAIL _____

Date: _____ New Association Member Renewal

Please indicate your preference for receiving correspondence from the Association for such items as the newsletter, meeting notices, etc. Email Door mail

Association dues are \$25 annually. All memberships expire on December 31.
Woodmere Neighborhood Association 2017 **Handbooks are available for \$5.00.** Add this to your \$25.00 membership and mail today.

The Association is always looking for volunteers. Please indicate areas of interest:

- Membership
- Special Events
- Crime Watch
- Newsletter
- Newsletter Distribution
- Block Captain
- Other skills/interests _____



Please note:
We send out neighborhood notices via email. If you provide your email address, you will receive these notices. We also send out emails about lost and found pets. If you have any questions or concerns, please send us an email info@woodmeremontgomery.com.

Please send your \$25 or \$30 (for handbook) check payable to:
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Check No. _____
Amount: _____
Date: _____



Summer 2017 Edition

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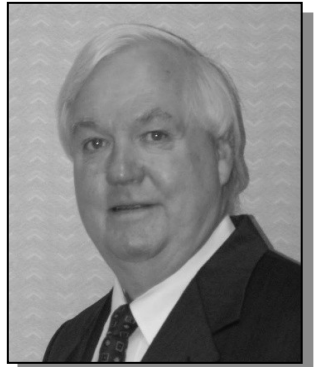
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We monitor and maintain a blog for the
Woodmere Neighborhood at
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The blog is free.

Woodmere NEWS

President's Commentary



Jimmy Gunn,
WNA President

DEAR NEIGHBORS:

The Woodmere Neighborhood Association (WNA) needs your participation. We will be wrapping up our 2017 WNA Membership Drive on August 30, 2017. Currently, we have 100 paid members out of 792 homes located in the Woodmere subdivision. This represents only 13 percent of all of the residents who are members of the WNA. If you are one of the 692 Woodmere residents who is not a member, you need to ask yourself why not?

What would Woodmere look like if there were not an active neighborhood association that has a board that is dedicated to looking out for your best interest to keep Woodmere a clean, safe and friendly neighborhood? Just look around the city at those neighborhoods that do not have an active association and you will see the results. Do you want to become one of those neighborhoods? Without your monetary support and participation, that is exactly where we are heading. If you own your home in Woodmere and live in it currently, you need to support the WNA to ensure that your property values will increase each year. If you rent your home in Woodmere, you need to join to ensure that Woodmere continues to be a clean and safe neighborhood.

What does the WNA do for you each day to warrant your membership dues and participation? Your WNA has completed or currently performs the following functions:

1. Erected new flag pole at the Woodmere Boulevard entrance with a 5' x 8' US flag.
2. Installed new neighborhood entrance signs on Woodmere Boulevard and Carmichael Road.
3. Installed new entrance signs coming into Woodmere from Bellwood.
4. Convinced city to install two stop signs on Woodmere Boulevard.
5. Assisted in Eagle Scout project with Arlene Gomez Memorial Bench.
6. Worked with city to have two (2) athletic benches placed

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Woodmere Neighborhood Association Meeting

Thursday, August 10, 2017 6:30 p.m.

Museum of Fine Arts Auditorium

Speaker: Daniel Mose III

Recruiter, SAFY of Alabama

Come Out and Support your Neighborhood

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625-2970

Police
625-2651

Fire
625-2400

Ordinance Violations
311

For all emergencies, call
911.

Financial Report

Phyllis Tillery, Treasurer

	March	April	May	June	Budget
Beginning Balance	2,985.88	1849.93	1881.27	1840.24	
Income					
Membership Dues, Plus Online Dues	100.00	128.97	248.97	825.00	3,750.00
Advertisements	0.00	0.00	70.00	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous	0.00	0.00	0.00	.00	0.00
Handbooks	5.00	0.00	25.00	25.00	0.00
Total Income	105.00	128.97	343.97	850.00	3,750.00
Expenses					
Newsletter	0.00	0.00	385.00	0.00	1500.00
Day in the Park	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	750.00
Office Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
Meeting Room	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
Printing Handbooks	0.00	97.63	97.63	0.00	195.00
Website	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	75.00
Administrative Expenses	0.00	61.81	0.00	474.50	505.00
Postage	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
Spring & Fall Clean-Ups	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
Post Office Box Rental	56.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	102.00
Park Benches Project	1094.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Expenses	1150.95	97.63	385.00	474.50	3,727.00
Ending Balance	1849.93	1881.27	1840.24	2215.74	

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**At Montgomery
Museum of Fine Arts**

Rodin: Realism, Fragments, and Abstraction. May 20 to January 07, 2018. *Auguste Rodin (French, 1840-1917), The Three Shades, originally modeled 1880-1904, lent by Iris Cantor*

The following is directly from the City of Montgomery's Code of Ordinances and is posted here as a friendly reminder.

Chapter 23 - SEWERS AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL

ARTICLE II. - STORM SEWERS AND DRAINAGE

Sec. 23-32. - Obstruction of flow in sewers and ditches.

It shall be unlawful for any person to obstruct or interfere with the natural flow of water through any drainage ditch or sewer in the city.
(Code 1980, § 40-28)



At Alabama Shakespeare Festival

Mary Poppins

Now thru August 6, 2017
Before "Mary Poppins Returns" takes the silver screen by storm next Christmas, see the story that started all with a live theatre experience. You will be enchanted this summer with ASF's production of "Mary Poppins" playing NOW through August 6! Tickets, dates and more at asf.net.

Signs and Bulletins

Remember it is a violation of a city ordinance to attach yard sale signs or any other sign or bulletin to utility poles of any sort. Let's all help to keep our neighborhood beautiful. Remove all signs and bulletins from utility poles.

**August Guest Speaker:
Daniel Mose III**

Daniel Mose is a recruiter for foster parents for SAFY. Daniel has lived in Montgomery since 1989 and graduated from ASU with a degree in Psychology in 1996.

SAFY is an acronym for Specialized Alternatives for Families and Youth. SAFY is a 501(c)3 organization that provides therapeutic foster care for at-risk youth.

According to the SAFY website:

SAFY of Alabama, established in 1998, offers hope and healing through our Model of Care. We serve a culturally diverse population, delivering the right care at the right time to strengthen families and children throughout our communities. Recognized as a leader in the management and provision of the highest quality community-based services, our clinical expertise produces positive, sustainable change in the lives of families and their children. When children must be removed from the family, our Reunification services address the issues that brought the child and family into the system. Our goal is to return the child to a stable family setting as soon as possible.

2017 Sanitation Holiday Schedule

Labor Day – Monday, Sept. 4, 2017
GARBAGE: Monday & Thursday routes worked Tuesday & Thursday; Tuesday & Friday routes worked Wednesday & Friday

Columbus Day – Monday, Oct. 9, 2017
GARBAGE: WORKING – No change in schedule

Veterans day – Friday, Nov. 10, 2017
GARBAGE: WORKING – No change in schedule

Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, Nov. 23, 2017
GARBAGE: Monday & Thursday routes worked Monday & Wednesday; Tuesday & Friday routes – No Change

Christmas Day – Monday, Dec. 25, 2017
GARBAGE: Monday & Thursday routes worked Tuesday & Thursday; Tuesday & Friday routes worked Wednesday & Friday

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The Calabee Creek battle resulted in only 50 Red Sticks killed with about 25 of the Georgians and friendly Creeks killed plus at least 150 wounded. Floyd's army remained in this camp for a week while nursing their wounded. During this time, they were continuously harassed by small attacks by the Red Sticks. Unsure if another large scale attack might be coming, Floyd determined to move back to Ft. Hull and later to Ft. Mitchell. Floyd was sure that Ft. Mitchell would be attacked in due time. The column was repeatedly harassed by Red Sticks along the line of march. After the Georgians finally reached the relative safety of Ft. Mitchell, many of the Georgia militia's terms of enlistment were ending and the men were discharged and sent home. After this time, the Georgia militia and General Floyd would no longer play a role in the First Creek War.

This will conclude our time with Chasing Our Tales for this visit. We will lay the ground works for the conclusion of the First Creek War in our next visit which will be our 20th encounter with Chasing Our Tales.

NOTE: previous visits with Chasing Our Tales are available by visiting www.woodmeremontgomery.com and viewing previous editions of the Woodmere News newsletter.

WNA General Meeting

The next Woodmere Neighborhood Association General Meeting will be August 10, 2017 at 6:30 at the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts Auditorium. Please make plans to attend. Membership dues for 2018 are due starting in November 2017. It is only \$25 and the funds go to support the programs and efforts of the WNA. Your money stays in Woodmere to support the Woodmere Neighborhood.

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Clean Up Your Neighborhood

The Woodmere Neighborhood Association has adopted Woodmere Boulevard and Carmichael Road within the Woodmere neighborhood in cooperation with the Montgomery Clean City Commission. The WNA will perform quarterly or more often trash pickup missions on the two streets within the confines of the Woodmere neighborhood. The third such organized trash pickup will be held August 12, 2017 and those interested in participating should meet at the parking lot on Woodmere Drive at 9:00 a.m. on August 12. Grabbers and trash bags will be furnished. Let's participate and help keep our neighborhood clean.

2017 WNA Handbooks

Order your 2017 Handbook today by adding \$5.00 to your \$25.00 membership on page 8, or by paying \$5.00 at the meeting August 10.

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alongside of the soccer field.

7. Ensures that all streets and sidewalks are maintained and have handicap ramps.
8. Works with our city Councilman, Charles Jinright, on street pavings.
9. Actively works to see that city ordinances are enforced in our neighborhood.
10. Designs and prints a quarterly newsletter that is delivered to your door to keep you informed of important events in the neighborhood.
11. Schedules and conducts quarterly meetings at the Museum with guest speakers to keep you informed.
12. WNA Board meets monthly to conduct WNA business matters.
13. Maintains the WNA website and our E-News update.
14. Maintains and/or monitors the WNA Facebook page and the Woodmere Nextdoor blog.
15. Coordinates, prepares and cooks for the Night In The Park each year in October with free food for residents.

The WNA promotes such projects through volunteer labor and voluntary annual dues from folks like you. So far, 100 of you have stepped up to the plate to say that we support the WNA Board and want to be a member for the 2017 year. We ask that the other 692 residents do the same. Memberships are \$25.00 per year. Please take a moment to fill out the membership application at the back of the newsletter and attach a check made out to the WNA for \$25.00. We appreciate your support and look forward to working with you for a better future for Woodmere.

Streets & Sidewalks

Steve Bartelt, Nora Place, is our new WNA Streets and Sidewalks Chairman. Steve invites you to call 311 to report streets or sidewalks that need repair. If that fails, call him at 277-4828 or email him at stevebgolfer@yahoo.com

Open Burning

The following is directly from the City of Montgomery's Code of Ordinances and is posted here as a friendly reminder.

Chapter 13 - FIRE PREVENTION

Sec. 13-9. - Open burning.

((b) *Open burning unlawful. It shall be and is hereby declared unlawful for any person to kindle, start, maintain, or otherwise produce or propagate any open fire at any location within the city limits without first obtaining a burn permit issued by the city fire department. It shall further be and is hereby declared unlawful for any person to kindle, start, maintain, or otherwise produce or propagate a permitted fire within the city limits without following and observing all of the conditions and requirements contained in the burn permit issued by the fire chief or his designee.*

((c) *Imposition of penalty for violation of open burning ordinance. Any person found to be in violation of this section shall, upon a first conviction, be punished by a fine of at least \$100.00 or imprisonment for up to ten days, or both such fine and imprisonment. Any person found to be in violation of this section a second time within one year shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of at least \$200.00 or imprisonment for up to 30 days or both such fine and imprisonment. Any person found to have been in violation of this section a third time within a one-year period shall, upon conviction, be punished by a fine of \$500.00 or by imprisonment for up to six months, or by both such fine and imprisonment. For the purposes of this section, a second or third offense shall be measured from the date of the conviction on each previous violation and not the date upon which the events which led to the conviction occurred.*

((d) *Exceptions.*

((1) *Recreational fires. A person shall not be in violation of this section where they start, maintain or keep a fire or open fire which is used for cooking food or for recreational purposes and which burns only charcoal, coal, and/or firewood so long as the fire is started, maintained, and kept in a steel, metal, or masonry container, such as a barbecue grill, fire pit, or outdoor fireplace which is designed for the purpose of containing fire. Any fire which causes the combustion of any other material, including but not limited to, paper, trash, garbage, yard waste, vegetation, leaves, heavy oils, plastic, rubber, paint, construction debris, and other refuse, shall not be exempted by this section.*

Chasing Our Tales IXX

Can you believe this is our 19th visit with Chasing Our Tales? With this installment, we will begin to set the stage for the final battles of the First Creek War in Alabama. We will conclude our discussion of the First Creek War with visit number 20 or 21 of Chasing Our Tales. At that time, we will take a hiatus from Chasing Our Tales until sometime later next year. Other articles will fill this space in the Woodmere News until that time.

After the battles of Burnt Corn and Ft. Mims, volunteer armies from the Mississippi Territory and from Tennessee and Georgia combined with friendly Choctaw and Creek warriors began to march into the Alabama Territory to attempt to quench the uprising of the Red Stick Creeks and protect the settlers in the territory. In our previous visit, remember that General Claiborne pushed into Alabama from Mississippi and eventually engaged the Red Sticks at the Battle of Holy Ground. Meanwhile, General John Floyd was advancing into the territory from Georgia in an attempt to drive a wedge through the center of the Creek Nation. At relatively the same time, General Andrew Jackson was entering the Alabama Territory from Tennessee with a group of volunteers. Joining Jackson near present-day Huntsville was General John Coffee (ref: present-day Coffee County) with another group of volunteers, mostly cavalry. With these Tennessee Volunteers was none other than Sam Houston and Davy Crockett.



General John Coffee

Jackson and Coffee built Ft. Strother on the upper Coosa River about 30 miles south of present-day Gadsden. On November 3, 1813, Coffee, with 900 cavalymen, including Davy Crockett, attacked the Red Stick town of Tallushatchee located about 15 miles to the east of Ft. Strother. One group of the cavalry formed a skirmish line to the left of the town and another group formed a line to the right. A third group advanced into the center of the town to engage the enemy and then quickly fell back as the Red Sticks pursued them directly into the trap. The battle at Tallushatchee resulted in the death of about 186 hostiles and the capture of many others.

At the time of the attack on Tallushatchee, 154 friendly Creeks plus some militia were located at Ft. Leslie near present-day Talladega. While Coffee's cavalymen were returning to Ft. Strother from Tallushatchee, the Red Sticks attacked Ft. Leslie/Talladega. The friendly forces at Talladega were outnumbered and surrounded. Total destruction seemed imminent as the Red Sticks laid siege to the fort. The friendly Creeks and militia at Talladega desperately needed the help of Jackson and the Tennessee Volunteers. A friendly Creek warrior at Talladega wrapped his body in a freshly killed hog skin and managed to slip through the Red Stick siege lines to reach Ft. Strother. Warned of the pending disaster at Talladega, Jackson roused his forces consisting of 1200 infantry and 800 of Coffee's cavalry and advanced on Talladega. Jackson's forces surrounded the Red Sticks who were, in turn, surrounding Talladega. The siege was broken with about 300 Red Sticks killed although 700 managed to escape to fight again. Jackson and Coffee's campaigns up until this time had resulted in more than 1,000 Red Stick warriors killed, wounded or captured which would seriously deplete the number of warriors available for future battles.

On November 29, 1813, General John Floyd, with about 900 Georgia militia, advanced into Eastern Alabama from Ft. Mitchell on the Chattahoochee River just south of present-day Phenix City. Floyd and his men targeted and attacked the Red Stick town of Autossee on the Tallapoosa River near the present-day town of Shorter. During a fierce battle, 200 Red Sticks were killed although General Floyd was seriously wounded in

the knee. After the battle at Autossee, Floyd and his forces would retire to Ft. Mitchell to be resupplied and allow Floyd to heal. Floyd would not take to the field again for two months.

In January, 1814, after healing, being resupplied and reinforced, Floyd was on the move again with a force of 1700 men. During the same time, in the north, most of Jackson's Tennessee Volunteers' enlistments had expired and he was able to muster a force of only about 400 men. In spite of this small force, Jackson was on the march and ready to take the offensive again in January.

Floyd's men advanced into Eastern Alabama, pausing to construct supply forts at Ft. Hull and Ft. Bainbridge. Floyd's ultimate target was the key Red Stick town of Tuckabatchee near present-day Tallassee on the Tallapoosa River. Tuckabatchee was the seat of the Creek Nation and an important political and strategic target. As Floyd's force neared Calabee Creek (near the intersection of highway 229 to Tallassee and I-85), a tributary of the Tallapoosa, the army paused to make camp on a high hill overlooking the Calabee Swamp. Meanwhile, Jackson was targeting the Creek town of Emuckfaw on the Emuckfaw Creek (located a little north of a bend in the Tallapoosa River called Horseshoe Bend). Jackson intended to attack Emuckfaw to create a diversion for Floyd.

Little did Floyd or his men know that their progress and position was being tracked by William Weatherford (Red Eagle) and Paddy Walsh with the Red Sticks. A surprise attack was planned against Floyd with a force of about 1300 Red Stick warriors. Due to a disagreement, William Weatherford did not participate in the attack. During planning for the attack, Weatherford wanted to wait until Floyd crossed the Calabee and strike while the forces were strung out and on the move. Paddy Walsh thought this was too risky and wanted to hit Floyd while the Georgians were still encamped in a surprise attack. Weatherford left in disgust and refused to participate.



Timpoochee Barnard

The next morning, January 27, 1814, at about 5:00 a.m., the Red Sticks crept to within mere yards of the Georgia militia through the swamp in spite of the fact that campfires had been maintained all night around the perimeter of the camp to prevent a surprise attack. The initial assault on the camp almost completely overwhelmed Floyd's army. A group of the army led by a Captain Broadnax was cut off from the main force and about to be annihilated if not for the quick action of a group of friendly Yuchi Indian warriors led by a Yuchi (Uchee) Indian named Timpoochee Barnard. The brave Georgians rallied and held their lines. The friendly Creeks accompanying the Georgians had declined to participate in the battle up until this point. The Red Sticks had determined to capture the artillery which was fiercely defended by the Georgians. Eventually the artillery was secured and brought on line and they began to rake the Red Stick lines with grape shot from the cannons. Shortly a charge was ordered and the route of the Red Sticks was on. The hostile warriors were pursued into the Calabee Swamp by the Georgians, now accompanied by the friendly Creeks.



General John Floyd