



# Woodlands edge



Community Association, Inc.

## New Entrance Now Open !



Have you had a chance to drive on our new section of Woodlands Trail that now connects us to Kanis Road? This new road meanders up and over a ridge, through the woods and across Panther Branch. The round-about just south of Kanis Road, adjacent to the small pond is now the primary entrance to Woodlands Edge. The landscaping for this entry is currently underway and features large stone columns. Woodlands Trail is the principal roadway which runs through our neighborhood connecting Bowman Road to Kanis Road. Special design considerations for this roadway were granted by the city. Rather than a 36' wide street in a 60' right of way, it is built to a width of 28' in a 45' right of way. This reduced street width has allowed many more trees to be saved along the length of Woodlands Trail giving the look and character we have all come to enjoy. In exchange for this street width, the city requires that there be no parking along the length of Woodlands Trail. This will help to assure that the road will function as designed and will help to maintain safety and the character of the roadway. More than 300 tons of boulders were imported and placed along the roadway giving a natural outcrop appearance. The road edges were seeded with a wildlife mix that included wildflowers such as coreopsis. Over time, the trees on the forest edge will begin to canopy over the roadway and will create a stunning look and feel. This will provide a comforting start and welcome relief every day as you go to and from work. Hard to find this anywhere else!

## Upcoming Events for the remainder of 2009

- Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> Monday – Last day of pool season
- Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Fall Festival – Woodlands Park  
Ashley Cliff - Event Chair
- October / November TBA – Fall Nature Walk & Plant Study
- October / November TBA – Fall Campfire Fun
- TBD Dec. Santa's Workshop
- TBD Dec. Deck the Yard
- Dec 25– Merry Christmas!
- Jan 1, 2010– Happy New Year!

If you would like to Sponsor an event, become a chairperson, or join any of the committees of the Woodlands Edge Community Association, Inc. please let us know at [info@woodlandsedge.com](mailto:info@woodlandsedge.com)

## We are Green Certified



As you know, this past May the National Association of Homebuilders named Woodlands Edge the **2009 Green Development Project of the Year**. This has certainly been an honor and a point of distinction which sets our neighborhood apart from others. Since receiving this award, Woodlands Edge has received a **Green Certified** designation by the NAHB Research Center located in Upper Marlboro, Maryland. Woodlands Edge received a "Four-Star" rating which is the highest rating possible under the program. In addition, Woodlands Edge is the **FIRST** development in the nation to receive the Four-Star rating and is the only Green Certified development in Arkansas. This certification was awarded after a rigorous review by third party verifies under the National Green Building Standard. This standard, the counterpart to LEED, was developed by the NAHB Research Center and is the standard for green homebuilding and development. The National Green Building Standard is also the only standard accepted by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI). Now we can all enjoy the benefits of living in a "Green Certified Community".

# Neighborhood Happenings!

The Neighborhood Garage Sale and Dive-in Movies were a huge success this summer and we hope everyone enjoyed these activities! The Spring Garage Sale had over 35 houses participate and it seems everyone made lots of money and found all kinds of goodies. Over 75 people attended each one of the Dive-in Movies and enjoyed the freshly popped popcorn and cold drinks. **A big thank you** to all those who attended and/or donated school supplies at our Back to School Cookout. Thank you to **Dillard's Federal Credit Union** for donating the hotdogs and hamburgers, **Des Schmit of Future Sounds** and to **Smoothie King** for helping to make our cookout a definite success.

The Activities Committee has some exciting events planned for the fall and winter months. We will be gearing up for the Fall Festival. This is one of our biggest events and requires a lot of volunteers! Please let us know how you can play a part in making this another awesome event for the kids! We will end the year with our Santa's Workshop and Deck the Yard events. We look forward to seeing everyone!!

Carolee Emerson [cemerson0646@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cemerson0646@sbcglobal.net) & Andrea Hines [artsyandy@att.net](mailto:artsyandy@att.net) - Activity Committee co-chairs

## Back to School Cookout



Matt Emerson and Des Schmit



Whitney & Greenlee Elmore



Dive in Movie night!

Marla Wirges with children Lindsey & Nathan



Shari Haws

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# WOODLANDS EDGE IS GROWING!

**Kate Elizabeth  
McCalmont**

6/5/2009  
8 lbs. 0 oz.  
20 inches long  
Parents:

Jon & Jennifer McCalmont



**Allison Harper Emerson**

5/27/2009  
8 lbs. 6 oz.  
19.25 inches long  
Parents:



**Mariam Heif**

7/23/2009  
7 lbs. 12 oz.  
22 inches long  
Parents:

Jomana Al-Hinti &  
Muhannad Heif



**Tappan Joseph Michael**

6/4/2009  
8 lbs. 7 oz.  
Parents:

Court & Janna Michael



**Gunnar Ericksen Melson**

5/2/2009  
6 lbs. 6 oz.  
18.5 inches long  
Parents:

Thor & Lindsay Melson



***A VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU***  
**TO OUR ACTIVITY COMMITTEE**  
**CO-CHAIRS:**

**ANDREA HINES**  
**AND**  
**CAROLEE EMERSON**  
**(AND THEIR SPOUSES JERRY**  
**AND MATT) FOR ALL THE HARD**  
**WORK THEY DO TO MAKE OUR**  
**EVENTS SO SUCCESSFUL!**

## BEST RECOMMENDATION

Do you have a favorite restaurant, weekend getaway or place of relaxation that you would like to share. If so please give us the information and we'll select one for each newsletter.

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**Brian L. Jirel—Fox Den Trail**  
**Jon & Jennifer McCalmont - Foxfield Cove**  
**Daniel & Beth Cirwinski - Foxfield Cove**  
**Nicholaus & Rebecca McNeil - Mossy Creek Drive**  
**Emilio & Maria Lara - Wood Thrush**  
**Megha Karkera - Meadows Edge Lane**  
**James & Kimberly Moix - Foxfield Cove**  
**Robert & Barbara Smith - Foxfield Lane**  
**Steven & Laura McClanahan - Old Bridge Lane**  
**Jarrold & Elizabeth Yates - Sweetfern Cove**  
**Murali Aggala - Mossy Creek Drive**  
**Andrew & Jamie Daniel - Meadows Edge Lane**  
**Robert & Jennifer Roling - Mossy Creek**  
**Zona Kay Harrison - Windrush Point**  
**Bradley Harriman - Foxfield Lane**  
**Harvey Lewis Thilpott - Meadows Edge Lane**  
**Jeffrey & Donna Trowbridge - Woodstream Cove**  
**Jason & Sarah Everett - Foxfield Lane**  
**Matthew & Rachael Ramsey- Mossy Creek**  
**Roberta Douglas - Meadows Edge Lane**

# MEET THE FLETCHER FAMILY

## William, Joely & Natalie



William and Joely were both born and raised in Little Rock. William's work took them to Oklahoma for 5 years, they moved back in 2006 and fell in love with Woodlands Edge. 'We chose Woodlands Edge because of the wonderful community and great neighbors.' They are also blessed with a daughter, Natalie (8), a Labrador Retriever named Dakota (who loves to go to Hidden Pond and practice retrieving in preparation for duck season) and Princess a very spoiled cat belonging to Natalie.

William is the Vice President/Head of Operation for Kinco Constructors, LLC a Commercial Generator Contractor based out of Little Rock. Joely busy as a stay at home mom, along with Marketing Coordinator duties for Neoma Rowell

Real Estate and also works in The Child Care Department for Fellowship Bible Church during the school year.

William received a degree from Auburn University in Construction Management and Minor in business, while Joely received a degree in Liberal Arts from the University of Ozarks. Natalie will be attending 3rd grade at Little Rock Christian Academy this year.

Their hobbies include: William— spending time in the yard, going to the family cabin on Big Piney Creek, or the family farm. He also, loves turkey, duck and deer hunting. Joely keeps busy shopping, cooking and keeping up with Natalie's busy schedule. Natalie enjoys horseback riding, gymnastics and playing outside with her neighbors.

'In 1999, Joely and I went to China for two weeks and arrived on the day NATO forces accidently bombed the Chinese Embassy in Yugoslavia, so we had quite a welcoming party the first few days. We were staying in the Embassy District about a 1/2 mile from all of the protests and demonstrations outside the United States embassy in Beijing. We witnessed the Chinese military move in to quell the demonstrations. We did have a wonderful trip once the demonstrations were over.'

Our favorite vacation spot is our yearly trip to Navarre Beach, Florida. Our favorite restaurant is Sonny Williams and Bonefish Grille, and our favorite outing is Texas Roadhouse.

Woodlands Edge is very fortunate to have William currently serving as Woodlands Edge Beautification Committee.

***Thanks and welcome to our community Fletcher Family!***



### Welcoming Committee Report

Did you know that the pineapple has been a universal symbol of hospitality and welcome for many centuries all over the world? During early Colonial days in the United States, families would set a fresh pineapple in the center of the table as a colorful centerpiece of the festive meal, especially when visitors joined them in celebration. This symbolized the utmost in welcome and hospitality to the visitor, and the fruit would be served as a special desert after the meal. While that tradition is no longer practiced today, the pineapple is still the universal symbol of hospitality and welcome. While the Welcoming Committee has NOT been delivering pineapples, we HAVE been welcoming new residents with our new eco-friendly green tote bags with the Woodland's Edge logo on it. **If you are new to the area and have not** received yours, please let me know, we want to meet you and personally welcome you to Woodlands Edge! The committee has had a very busy summer and it looks like with so much building going on in the neighborhood, we will be very busy in the coming months! If you are interested in helping us, please contact Susan Glatter at [susanglatter@gmail.com](mailto:susanglatter@gmail.com).

### Beautification Committee Report

As summer is beginning to wind down, it is important to keep our efforts up in maintaining our lawns properly. Proper lawn care is essential in doing your part to keep the neighborhood beautiful as well as maintaining the value of your home and property. The beautification committee expects at a minimum that your yard be mowed and edged weekly and all planting beds are maintained free of weeds and curb, driveway and sidewalk edges are kept trimmed. Please continue to do your part to help keep our neighborhood beautiful (and avoid a notice and penalty from the Beautification Committee)!

#### Fall and Winter Tips:

- Remember to remove the RPZ and disconnect it from your sprinkler system. If left out to freeze, it will be damaged and possibly leak and will result in a costly replacement. The first hard freeze can occur in November.
- Fall is also the time to apply a winterizer to your lawn to assure that your lawn is healthy and vigorous in the next growing season. Pre-emergent fertilizer should also be applied in late December or January to control spring weeds.
- Be sure to keep the leaves off of your lawn areas and out of your beds. Additional mulch can be applied to the beds to help protect your vegetation throughout the winter.

# MEET THE ROWELL FAMILY!



## George & Neoma

April 11, 2003– “When we moved into our new home we were the 1st resident in Woodlands Edge. Our builder said on Friday (closing day). ‘Sorry, we didn’t get the security contractor over to make your alarm active today, Be Careful, you and George are the only ones out here’. With unpacked boxes everywhere, we were getting to bed at 2AM when all the lights went off. I could not find candles or flashlights because they were still packed in boxes and all I could think was the builders warning (Be Careful!). We were so relieved when the lights came back on later. Needless to say my first night in our new home could be titled: ‘SLEEPLESS IN WOODLANDS!’”

George and Neoma both hail from Louisiana. George from Westlake, Louisiana, and Neoma from Kinder Louisiana. George is a Retired Minister and Real Estate Agent and Neoma is also a Real Estate Agent with Keller Williams Realty. George attended St. Paul Seminary in St. Paul Minnesota and Neoma attended Sowela Tech in Lake Charles, Louisiana.

Their family includes a daughter, Trecia Francois (also a resident of Woodlands Edge); two granddaughters—Danielle Bratton and Courtney Francois, Grandson Chad Harris, and an awesome Great Granddaughter Chloe Bratton. Courtney will be attending Central Junior High School in Little Rock.

“We love to read and enjoy having friends and family over. Our favorite ‘get away’ spots are Hot Springs and Branson, Missouri. We love to go for 2 or 3 days to relax in Hot Springs or to enjoy the shops and shows in Branson. Copeland’s is our favorite restaurant.”

Neoma is currently serving on the Welcoming Committee. “Our family feels so privileged to have watched our neighborhood grow home by home into one of the most sought after and desirable Neighborhoods in West Little Rock. I am so proud to live in, promote, and sell Homes in this “Award Winning Neighborhood”. Thanks to Rocket Properties for making this the Neighborhood that all families would love to live in.”

***Thanks and welcome to our community Rowell Family!***

### **Adult Activities Groups**

If you are interested in joining any of our adult activity groups and/or chairing a group, please contact the chairperson listed below.

**Games & Cards** – Heather Moody  
[h.moody@yahoo.com](mailto:h.moody@yahoo.com)

**Bible Study** – Need Chairperson  
 Email: [vtyne@woodlandsedge.com](mailto:vtyne@woodlandsedge.com)

**Couple’s Bunco** – Vicki Tyne  
 Email: [vtyne@woodlandsedge.com](mailto:vtyne@woodlandsedge.com)

**Nature Walks** – Ron Tyne  
[rtyme@woodlandsedge.com](mailto:rtyme@woodlandsedge.com)

**Walking / Running** – Cindi Blackwood  
[cblackwood2@gmail.com](mailto:cblackwood2@gmail.com)

**Texas Hold’Em** – Michael Smith  
[michaelsmith9874@sbcglobal.net](mailto:michaelsmith9874@sbcglobal.net)

**Book Club** – Need Chairperson  
 Email: [vtyne@woodlandsedge.com](mailto:vtyne@woodlandsedge.com)

**Supper Club** - Cammy Jones  
[cammyjones@att.net](mailto:cammyjones@att.net),

**Wine Tasting** - Kim Hoffman  
[khoffmanphd@yahoo.com](mailto:khoffmanphd@yahoo.com)

### **WOODLANDS EDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION COMMITTEES**

If you would like to get involved in the Woodlands Edge Neighborhood, consider joining a committee. For more information contact the committee chairperson listed below.

#### **Activities Committee**

Andrea Hines-artsyandy@att.net  
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#### **Beautification Committee**

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#### **Pool Committee**

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#### **Tennis Committee**

Cindy Walker-holatennis@aol.com

#### **Trails & Greenspace Committee**

Bill Kemp-bill\_kemp@sbcglobal.net

#### **Welcoming Committee**

Susan Glatter- susanglatter@gmail.com

**Geocache Update....**

**OVER THE WOODLANDS EDGE**

I recently set out to find the Geocache placed in Woodlands Edge. I expected it to be easy. It was harder than I thought. It was much further than I thought. It was worth every minute. I am an explorer. I enjoy getting to know my area and going off the beaten path. Since I had been on every road in our neighborhood including the new north entrance prior to it being *officially* opened (like all you other guys did too – admit it) I thought this search would be easy.

I started out early Saturday afternoon. I drove to the end of the street and expected to find the cache within a short walk off the road. I expected my jaunt to be quick, 15 or 20 minutes. I said to myself how hard could it be? We're in the middle of the city – right.

I had the foresight to wear my knee high rubber boots. It had been raining a lot that week and I thought the ground might be a little wet. I didn't expect to traverse a creek that was overflowing by holding on to a fallen tree. However, I did. I hadn't expected to climb up and over an 8' dirt bank when I reached the other side. But I made it. The last thing I anticipated was crossing a barbed wire fence, trudging up a steep hillside that took me far away from the sights and sounds of any civilization.

I discovered the cache (It was located about 9' off the ground in a sealed container) and I found myself lost in the beauty that surrounded me. It really is incredible to be less than 2 miles from my home (as the crow flies) and be in the middle of a forest that only a handful of humans have ever seen. It is even more gratifying to know that our community believes in preserving these areas. Geocaching provides motivation to get out and see new things. Get out – try it. Check out <http://www.geocaching.com/> If you don't have a handheld GPS you can pick one up pretty cheap. Give me a call I'll loan you mine. Better yet, call me and I'll go with you.  
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### May Winners



**Woodsgate**  
4 Mossy Rock Cove

**Meadows Edge**  
2904 Sweetgrass

**Foxfield**  
13505 Foxfield Lane

### June Winners



**Woodsgate**  
6 Eagle Talon Cove

**Meadows Edge**  
3004 Sweetgrass

**Foxfield**  
13609 Foxfield Lane

### July Winners



**Woodsgate**  
2905 Woodsgate

**Meadows Edge**  
11 Woodfern Drive

**Foxfield**  
21 Foxfield Cove

# ***DID YOU KNOW...***

## **New Trail Section built by Scouts**

A new section of trail has recently been completed by a group of Boy Scouts. A resident scout, Joe Darsey, proposed the project as partial fulfillment of the requirements for his Eagle Scout designation. Joe is a member of Troop 12 and is a Senior at Parkview High School. He and seven other scouts provided the labor and sweat to complete the project.

This new section is accessed near the South end and just west of Sweetgrass Drive. The trail departs a section of Hidden Pond Loop Trail adjacent to Sweetgrass Drive and ascends a moderate incline to the top of a prominent point — a meditation spot above Hidden Pond. This trail now adds to the almost 5 miles of nature and hiking trails already built in Woodlands Edge. Hiking and nature trails have been cited as the number one amenity that homebuyers look for in a community, according to American Trails. (Visit them at [www.AmericanTrails.org](http://www.AmericanTrails.org))



*Many thanks to Joe and his scout group for opening this new section of trail!*

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