

WOODFOREST

Hometown Herald

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MARCH MODEL MADNESS TO BE A SLAM DUNK



Basketball fans have to wait until March 14 for the basketball festivities, but lovers of home design can rejoice all month long during Woodforest’s March Model Madness.

The South Montgomery County development will have 30 model homes on tour and open daily throughout March. On display will be lavishly decorated townhomes, patio homes and executive homes featuring vignettes of inspiring design and livability. Featured will be

Woodforest’s two newest model homes, Southern-styled plans by builders Gracepoint Homes and Wendell Legacy Homes that are making their debut.

Hours for the tour will be 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 5:30 p.m. Sunday. Maps of the models will be available at the Woodforest Homefinder Lodge, 101 Elk Trace Parkway. Homes in Woodforest are priced from the \$190,000s to the millions.

TOUR MAPS AVAILABLE

Homefinder Lodge

101 Elk Trace Pkwy, Montgomery, TX 77316

(936) 447-2800

Monday - Friday

Saturday

Sunday

8:30 - 5:30

10:00 - 5:30

12:00 - 5:30

REGISTER TO WIN A \$1,000 GIFT CARD TO ACADEMY SPORTS & OUTDOORS!



No Plane Ticket Needed for this Trip to Paradise

Woodforest is “lei-ing” some Hawaiian flavors into the Pine Island Showcase 3-8 p.m. Saturday, April 29, hosting a tropical luau to introduce the community’s newest custom home neighborhood. Eventgoers will enjoy Hawaiian-style appetizers, island teas, as well as performances by fire jugglers and hula dancers. A steel drum band will set the pulse of the free party.

Three multi-million-dollar model homes by Jeff Paul Custom

Homes, Sterling Classic Homes and TIPLER Design and Build will be open for tours, giving the public a glimpse of life in the paradise of Pine Island. If you are not able to attend the events on Saturday, the showcase homes will be open on Sunday, April 30 from 12-5 pm for additional viewing hours.

For more information contact Woodforest at 936.447.2800



PINE ISLAND

Million Dollar
SHOWCASE

Saturday, April 29 | 3-8 PM

Tour three multi-million-dollar showcase homes
by elite custom builders Jeff Paul Custom Homes, Sterling Classic Homes
and TIPLER Design and Build.

Hawaiian-Style Appetizers • Island Teas • Fire jugglers
Hula Dancers • Steel Drum Band

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND THE EVENT,
ADDITIONAL HOME TOURS
ARE AVAILABLE SUNDAY, APRIL 30 | 12-5 PM

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Virgil's Viewpoint

Being once again named one of the nation's top-selling master-planned communities at the start of 2017 turned out to be a prelude to the symphony of milestones expected for this year.

This past month we were excited to announce a gas station will be coming to the community. Also, just around the corner is the opening of a second childcare facility in Woodforest and the start of more retail in the community. We are expanding the Forest Island Recreation Center with a second pool and have launched a series of park improvements that will continue throughout the year. Another new amenity, the Stampede Sportsplex, is expected to draw people from around the region to play soccer on our regulation and junior fields, and the Woodforest Craft Fest is becoming a much-anticipated event for beer and music lovers everywhere. And, a second traffic light on Fish Creek Thoroughfare — this one at Woodforest Parkway South — if fully operational.

These accomplishments indicate our transformation into a regional destination, which is the natural progression for a master-planned community the size of Woodforest. As we continue to enhance the development for our residents, we are also improving life for all who live around Woodforest. We are becoming a place for you to shop, attend church, have fun and support youth soccer. The continued expansion of Fish Creek Thoroughfare has positioned it as a major roadway and a welcome north-south alternative to Interstate 45. And it's all just the beginning.

We invite you to go on this journey with us as Woodforest continues to grow.

Virgil

Virgil Yoakum is publisher of the Woodforest Hometown Herald and general manager of Woodforest.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Love Our Community

"Woodforest is such a beautiful community that provides tons of amenities, no matter what your interests are. We love the walking trails, tennis courts, parks, and events that Woodforest provides. We've done the Nutcracker Market trip, the Daddy/Daughter Dance, Merit Badges and so many other things. It's also been great to have The Church of Woodforest so close by. Most of all, we enjoy living in a community where the neighbors look out for one another."

– Amy Street, Woodforest Resident

Bonterra - The Best Place Ever!

"We think Bonterra is the best place ever. The people are wonderful, and having so many events that allow us to meet each other has proven very successful. Having our own clubhouse and all of its facilities encourages us to stay engaged. We chose Bonterra in Woodforest because we did not wish to be in a 55+ community where we were living with only over 55s! We were looking for a total community experience — where we could meet young and old alike. We could not have picked a better place, and we thank God each day that we found our 'home.'"

– Susie and Rick Wallis, Bonterra Resident



A Family-Oriented Community

"We moved into our Newmark home three years ago. We love having an open living area that allows us to entertain or cook as a family and enjoy each other's company. The beautiful surroundings along with the proximity to all the luxuries of being in the city not too far away are a plus. Being a veterinarian, I have been a part of the Howl-o-Ween and Petsgiving events to help our community companions! As a family, we have planted a tree in the backyard from the Arbor Day event and the Trail of Treats was fun for all of us!"

– Gerald W. Brzozowski, Newmark Homeowner

REALTOR Q&A

Jenny Overstreet,
Martha Turner Sotheby's International Realty



Why is it important to live in a master-planned community like Woodforest?
Only in a master-planned community will you find the vast number of amenities that so many of my buyers say they want — parks and playgrounds, hike-and-bike trails, a water park, splash pad, dog park, a lifestyle director planning events where neighbors get to know each other and — at least in Woodforest — a 27-hole golf course. Plus, being in a deed-restricted community ensures the community always has a pristine appearance.

What do your buyers like most about Woodforest?
My buyers love that they are in a prime area. Interstate 45 is seven miles to the east, The Woodlands is five miles to the south and Lake Conroe is six miles to the north. Plus, the FM 1488 corridor is booming, and retail is starting to open within Woodforest. My buyers say they are able to "get away from it all" in this wooded neighborhood, but really be close to everything they might need or want.

Why did you decide to make Woodforest your home?
We moved to Woodforest when the population sign said 753. We had been watching it grow when visiting my parents who had already purchased a home in Eagle Pointe. We knew this was going to be a great community to live and raise our three children so we purchased a home in Woodforest, as well. My grandmother purchased a home in Woodforest soon after we did. So we had 4 generations of our family living in 3 different sections of Woodforest. This demonstrates what a family-orientated place Woodforest is. Your neighborhood becomes a family and that is what makes Woodforest a fantastic place "to grow!"

MEET OUR STAFF

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More Retail, Gas Station Heading to Woodforest

Star Stop will be located on a 2.83-acre parcel on the northwest corner of Fish Creek Thoroughfare and Woodforest Parkway North. Expected to open by year's end, the station will include a small retail

Also, Hunington Properties has purchased 2.25 acres in Woodforest's retail district for a 15,000-square-foot retail and office building that will be the start of the Pine Market Center. The facility will be located adjacent to the CVS pharmacy that opened in 2015.

Children's Lighthouse to Open in April

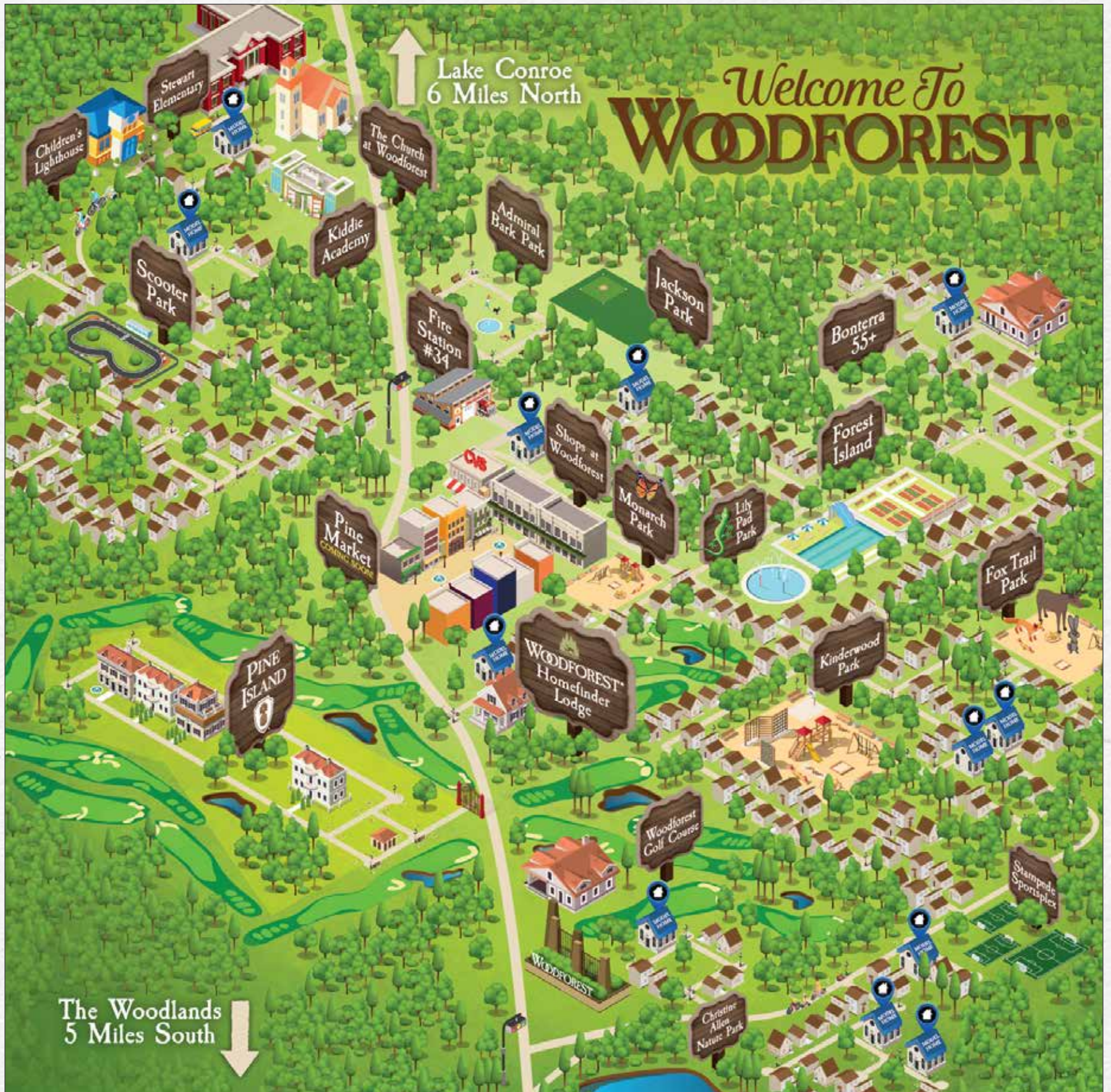
The facility — located on a 1.85-acre parcel at 2183 Woodforest Parkway West — will be the second child development center open in Woodforest. Pre-enrollment is ongoing for the center, which will of-

Those interested can learn more online at www.childrenslighthouse.com/woodforest.



From Stewart Elementary and The Church at Woodforest in the north to Woodforest Golf Club and Christine Allen Nature Park in the south — and all the interesting points in between — Woodforest has a place and space for you. Linking the many

parks, neighborhoods and everyday conveniences are 12 miles of trails, making it easy to get around. And interspersed throughout are 30 model homes where visitors can further envision their life in the Forest.



SPORTS

More Playgrounds, Parks on Tap in Woodforest

Woodforest’s park system is growing, with improvements to existing parks and the introduction of a new playground. The new Fox Trail Park will be within walking distance of many homes in the Deerbourne Ridge neighborhood and is one of several new parks planned. Young residents will enjoy traditional playground equipment, while

Moms and Dads will appreciate the whimsical design modeled after the cute wildlife often spied in the neighborhood. Existing Kinderwood Park is expanding with the addition of new play structures and a swing set, while the 33-acre Christine Allen Nature Park will soon boast a new trail encircling a fountained pond.



The new expansion coming to Kinderwood Park



Dads, daughters and sons enjoy Woodforest Golf Club

Juniors Tee Off at Woodforest Golf Club

The quickly expanding Woodforest Junior Academy introduces golf to youth nearly all year long, with spring sessions starting in late March for players age 6 to 14. The Spring Series for ages 6 to 10 will meet 4:30 to 6 p.m. Tuesdays March 21 through April 25. Cost is \$200. Players age 11 to 14 can join the Elite Springs Series, which will meet 4:30 to 6 p.m. Wednesdays

March 22 through April 26. Cost is \$250. Summer and fall sessions also are planned. The Woodforest Junior Academy is under the direction of PGA professional Jon Baacke, who guides young players through game fundamentals and on-course experience. To register, phone the Woodforest Golf Club at 936-588-8872.

Residents Soon to Find a Cool Way to Stay Fit

Getting in shape will definitely be cooler this summer with the introduction of a new fitness pool at Woodforest’s Forest Island recreation complex. The pool is being designed to cater to those who enjoy individual and group exercise, with five lanes and an area for water aerobics.

After the workout, residents can relax on the sun deck. The fitness pool compliments the freeform resort pool already open at Forest Island, where daring swimmers can race down water slides and younger ones can splash in the beach-entry lagoon.



Fitness pool with 5 laps lanes coming to Woodforest this summer



Stampede Sportsplex planned opening this spring

New Sportsplex to Kick Up Excitement

The first phase of the new Stampede Sportsplex — opening this spring — will bring three soccer fields to Woodforest’s roster of amenities. Two fields will be regulation-size with a third sized for junior play, which will allow youth leagues serving a wide age range to use the fields. Lights will allow for practices and games after the sun sets. Located around the bend

from Deerbourne Ridge — one of Woodforest’s largest neighborhoods — the sportsplex is surrounded by a mature forest. This landscape — unusual for a sports complex — will be an idyllic setting for fans cheering their favorite young players. Future phases of the Stampede Sportsplex will include other active sports amenities.

REAL ESTATE

Tour 34 Model Homes in Woodforest!



Chesmar Townhomes
From the \$190s
1,800 – 1,900 Sq. Ft.
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The Granada
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The Monarch
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The Norwood
From the \$300s
1,977 Sq. Ft.



The Sedgewick
From the \$260s
1,840 Sq. Ft.



The Strasburg
From the \$300s
1,933 Sq. Ft.

LIFESTYLE

RESIDENT
Calendar of Events



APRIL 8TH
*Cornhole and Washers
Tournament*

APRIL 28TH
Crawfish Boil



APRIL 29TH
Arbor Day

MAY 4TH
Astros Trip

MAY 13TH
Wine in the Forest

JUNE 2ND
Summer Luau

JUNE 10TH
BBQ Cookoff

JULY 1ST
Independence Day Parade



AUGUST 1ST
National Night Out

AUGUST 12TH
Back to School Fair

SEPTEMBER 23RD
Craft Fest



Busy Clubhouse Central to Bonterra Lifestyle

Now open, the Bonterra at Woodforest Clubhouse is the locale of a packed calendar of organized events and casual gatherings.
Open just to residents of the 55-plus neighborhood, the club offers a

fitness center, massage room, card and billiards room, coffee bar and large event room. Anchoring the complex is a pool with lap lanes and a hot tub, an outdoor kitchen, and sports courts for bocce ball and pickleball. A half-

mile track encircles the clubhouse.
The clubhouse has hosted an array of events planned by a full-time lifestyle director, including a Casino Night that drew nearly 100 residents and a rock ‘n roll Bingo party.



Having Fun is All in A Day’s Work for Whelan

Tori Whelan says she has the most fun job in Woodforest, and as the community’s lifestyle director, it’s a statement that is hard to argue.
Whelan is responsible for hosting activities that bring neighbors together, from the very popular Breakfast with Santa to the adults-only Casino Night set for this month.

Sprinkled in are Mom & Me Superhero Day, Daddy Daughter Dance, a Kickball Tournament, Watercolors Workshop and many more — in fact, residents will have the chance for fun more than 80 times this year.
Happening each month is the Lifestyle Merit Program, which allows residents ages 5 to 12 to ex-

plore an array of topics, introducing the young minds to such things as kayaking, pottery, self-defense, astronomy, photography and geocaching.
For more information on resident events, stop by the Woodforest Homefinder Lodge.



HEY NEIGHBOR

COME WORSHIP WITH US!

Sundays at 10:00 a.m.

THE CHURCH AT WOODFOREST

A WORSHIP COMMUNITY OF THE WOODLANDS UMC

Meeting at Stewart Elementary
680 Fish Creek Thoroughfare | Montgomery, Texas 77316
281.297.5900 | churchatwoodforest.org

Stewart Elementary Greets 2017 Mustang Proud

All grades learned that even pennies matter during a drive to collect money to purchase books for the Texas Children's Hospital — The



Lake Creek High School, along FM 2854 northwest of Rabon Chapel Road, will have academic spaces that are grouped together in a flexible arrangement to support a variety of organizational strategies; two practice gyms, a competition gym with seating for 1,500, and a fine arts auditorium that boasts an orchestra pit and full UIL regulation stage. There will also be a football and track complex, competition soccer field, a baseball/softball complex, tennis courts, greenhouse and more. The school will serve students in ninth through 12th grades when it opens.



Woodlands. Classes were encouraged to donate pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters and bills in early February, with the class collecting the most

The Stewart Elementary Student Council also hosted a Father Daughter Dance, with music, dancing, dinner, Wonderland Bingo and more.

Varied curriculums at both Montgomery High School and Conroe High School introduce Woodforest students to a wide range of topics, allowing them the freedom to explore and cultivate interests that could lead to lifelong

Here's a sampling of the many interesting courses and clubs students will find at both schools:

CONROE HIGH SCHOOL

CAPTIVATING Courses

- Astronomy
- Gothic Literature
- Electronics & Robotics
- Floral Design
- Biotechnology
- Aerospace Engineering
- Chinese
- Culinary Arts
- PAWS (Pets & Wildlife Support Club)

COOL CLUBS

- Yoga Club
- Angler Club
- Sports Medicine
- Fashion Club
- Ultimate Frisbee Club

MONTGOMERY HIGH SCHOOL

NEW MODELS, NEW HOMES IN WOODFOREST

Wendell Legacy opens craftsman style model home offering homes from the \$390s



Highland Homes opens new 2,500 sq. ft. model home with homesites in newest gated neighborhood, Russet Peak.

A touch of Southern charm joins Woodforest in the new Kingsley neighborhood. Gracepoint Homes new model is now open.



Empire Communities will also be opening models this Spring in the new Kingsley neighborhood gracing Woodforest with more southern style.

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