

## **Walden's Ridge Civic League Report to the Town of Walden March 11, 2025**

Thank you for allowing us to report on recent developments at the Walden's Ridge Civic League.

At the Quarterly Membership meeting on January 18, 2025, members heard that our application for National Register of Historic Places is proceeding nicely. On December 12, 2024, four staff members came from Nashville to take more detailed measurements and photos and to discuss the process with Board members. They said that since we plan to replace the siding with board & batten as it was originally, we can begin the process without jeopardizing the application.

A neighbor has offered some more white oak trees for the project. Weather and the difficulty of finding equipment big enough to haul the logs to the sawmill is delaying the pickup. However, we feel we have enough lumber to begin tearing off the south-facing siding and beginning replacement soon. The timetable will be partially determined by fledging of the little baby birds in the attic.

*Tell It on The Mountain* storytelling is set for April 4. Doors open at 5:30 for food purchases, and experienced Guest Tellers will begin the program at 6:00. We have contacted Alexian Village and Signal Mountain teachers in hopes that some young-at-heart folks will tell stories at Open Mic at 7:30.

A mysterious anonymous benefactor has planted some beautiful evergreen trees at the edge of the south property line, and we are very grateful. Underbrush was cleared from the land around the foundation of the old Scout cabin, leaving the space raw and rough. The Board was seeking a way to screen the neighbor's view when, in evaluating the situation, we found that the new trees had appeared. If anyone can help us learn who our benefactor is, please let us know so we can thank them properly.

On April 17, we are hosting a Volunteer Appreciation Dinner for our faithful volunteers. Membership in the Walden's Ridge Civic League is open to all residents of Walden's Ridge. We invite everyone to join and to volunteer. The second Quarterly Membership Meeting will be held the same evening, and tickets for the dinner are available on our website [www.waldensridgecivicleague.org](http://www.waldensridgecivicleague.org).

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