



HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY UPDATE

October 2021

QUICK WORD

Greetings homeowners and happy October. Fall is here! Soon the leaves will be turning and drives in the higher elevations will be beautiful as ever. The holidays are also quickly approaching. We wish you a happy and safe fall season. This newsletter will be our last for the 2021 Board. We will spotlight our new HOA board members and Christmas decorating contest winners.

Have you ever thought about being a board member? Why not volunteer to be an interim board member filling a seat until the end of this year? Send a note to **bod.parktrail@gmail.com** to get started. You must be a homeowner and in good standing.



Annual HOA Tailgate Save the Date Saturday, October 23, 2021 at 1 p.m.

The meeting will take place here in our subdivision in the green space toward the top of our circle. Look for the pop-up canopy. **We will be exercising social distancing and adhere to CDC recommendations for groups meeting outdoors and are encouraging face masks. Please be sure to bring a chair.** There will also be a **free raffle drawing for \$50**, you must be present to win.

Watch for mailings and emails about the HOA tailgate.

- You should see request for nominations. All 4 board seats (president, vice president, treasurer and secretary) are open. To be eligible, you must be a Park Trail homeowner and in good standing.
- A meeting agenda
- A proxy ballot, that **MUST** be completed. Proxy ballots were also emailed and can be signed, completed and sent to **Matthew Urbanek** at **murbanek@heritageproperty.com**. If you are unable to make the meeting you can designate a person to vote on your behalf. It can be a neighbor you know, who is attending the meeting. If you cannot find a proxy, you can designate our current President Ricardo Stewart, or members at large Avis Woods and Linda Grant, as your proxy. See the mailing for more details.

Let's have a little fun and enjoy our tailgate party!

- Feel free to set up your own pop-up canopy.
- Show your fandom! Wear your favorite team's jersey (college, professional or high school), paint your face if you like and get out your foam fingers!
- We welcome you to grill at your homes and bring your delicious tailgate goodies to the meeting area and enjoy them. **There will be no grilling in the meeting area.** This is for the safety of all attendees and to minimize damage to our green space.
- You are welcome to stay after the meeting to get to know your neighbors more.
- Eat and drink responsibly, but please keep our green space clean.
- We ask that you have your canopies removed and the green space vacated by 5 p.m.



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Housekeeping and Other Announcements

Christmas contest: There was a nice effort last year for decorating our homes for Christmas. Our neighborhood looked festive and we received compliments! The HOA is planning for a Christmas decorating contest again. Let's really light up the neighborhood with our Christmas spirit. There will be awards. **We need volunteers to lead this effort and judge the competition.**

Landscaping: The HOA is **looking for a fresh set of eyes to take over the landscaping efforts** for the community and lead the committee. This is a great opportunity to showcase our community and increase the value of our homes and the neighborhood. Please spare a little of your time and volunteer.

Feral cats: Our neighborhood seems to be collecting feral cats. I know our hearts go out to them. Unfortunately, if left uncontrolled the situation can become more than a nuisance. It can invite disease and other potentially dangerous animals (raccoons and coyotes) to our neighborhood. Cobb County has a catch, spay or neuter and release program. The cats are released back into the territory they know. Let's work with the county to humanely resolve this issue. Call **Cobb County Animal Services at 770-499-4136** if these fur babies are frolicking around your home. The county will give instruction on next steps. **Please refrain from feeding them unless directed to from the county for catch and release.**

Water issues: The recent storms from hurricanes this season have shown us we have a water drainage problem in several areas. Water has pooled up to the foundations of some homes. We are inviting all homeowners to have rear gutters installed if they are not already installed. This will help us to target water run off and focus on drainage solutions to targeted areas. Let's keep our home foundations strong.

HOLIDAY HOME DECORATION CONTEST

PRIZES AWARDED:

- 1st place wins \$200
- 2nd place wins \$100
- 3rd place wins \$50

Properties will be judged on
December 19th with the winners
announced on December 21st.

