



# Wakendaw Lakes Civic Association Newsletter

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### October Board Meeting



On October 4, the Wakendaw Lakes Civic Association met at the home of Vanessa Tiffany. Vanessa Tiffany, Clark Hobbie, Georganne Haney, Eric Anderson, Barbara Powell, Pat Neuhaus, Reid Green,

Cliff Melton, Rick Bunch, and Helen Murphy attended.

Pat Neuhaus opened the meeting with the news that board members John Marflak, Rob Duren, and Laura Young had resigned. A discussion followed on forming a nominating committee to select candidates for officers and board members for 2018. According to the bylaws, in addition to a president and a treasurer, we need at least five board members.

Discussion followed on the status of the town's plan to repave the boulevard. Tony Brush has called the town to try to get an answer but has not received the information.

**STREET SIGNS:** At the end of October or the beginning of November, the town will replace all of the posts and signs in our neighborhood. It will remove the posts, street signs, and stop signs and put in new ones that meet federal regulations. We will be given the old street signs and stop signs for reuse if we choose to replace the town's posts with decorative ones. A salvage company will put in a dumpster for us to store the signs in until we are ready to replace the posts. We have been told that we have to hire a licensed contractor to install the replacements. Once the cost of this work has been determined, the board will publish this information and ask for input from the members.

**MAINTENANCE AND LANDSCAPE:** At the September meeting, it was reported that the water bill was over \$1,000. The landscaping contractor has been asked to turn off the water, and Pat Neuhaus will work with the contractor to determine whether there is a leak that needs to be fixed.

It was noted that all trees on the boulevard need pruning. This cost needs to be planned for in the budget. The board will talk to the town about this expense because it appears that the town is responsible for keeping rights of way clear.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Clark Hobbie reported that we have a current balance of \$22,561.81.

**MEMBERSHIP:** Helen Murphy reported that we have 315 members.

**CRIME WATCH:** Vanessa Tiffany asked everyone to be sure to lock their houses and cars.

**ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW:** Rick Bunch, architectural review chair, has discovered that the Wakendaw on the Creek neighborhood's covenants and restrictions define a local board and architectural review process to be governed by a Wakendaw on the Creek HOA. Requests are currently being handled through review by the Wakendaw Lakes Civic Association. A motion was made and approved for Rick to create a communique for review by the WLCA board and subsequent distribution to the affected residents. The contents of this letter will encourage Wakendaw on the Creek residents to re-establish the neighborhood governance defined in their covenants and restrictions.

**WOMEN'S CLUB:** Mary Lou Thomson will host the November meeting at her home at 714 Osprey Court at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 8.

**SOCIAL EVENTS:** Reid Green reported that the Final Friday event was a huge success. BBQ was served and everyone brought a side dish. A Halloween party will be held at Reid's home. A Christmas party with Santa Claus is planned for December.

The next board meeting will be held at the home of Reid Green, 1279 South Barksdale, on Wednesday, November 1, at 6 p.m. All are welcome.

### Wakendaw Rumbings by Pat Neuhaus



It can be difficult, at times, to find and retain quality members of a board. The Wakendaw Lakes Civic Association (WLCA) board is no exception. The demands of a growing

family or of a job that sometimes requires travel are factors that can force someone to decide to resign from their position. We have lost three very good people this year for those reasons. We will miss John Marflak, Rob Duren, and Laura Young and thank them for their involvement.

We have started a search committee, as we do each year at this time, to identify potential board members. That committee consists of Cliff Melton and Reid Green. If you have an interest, please contact either one of them and let them know. Reid can be reached at 843-270-7040 and Cliff at 843-224-1606.

I can tell you from my experience that this has been very rewarding for me, and I am sure that other past and present board members will say the same. All that is required is a love of our neighborhood and a few hours of your time to attend board meetings and potentially work on a committee. Our newest board members have been responsible for the children's events at Easter and Christmas. Others have organized the Final Friday get together. (We have had three this year.) I hear there are plans for a chili cook off and a possible pig roast. All this is put together by your board, with no dues money being spent. Wouldn't you like to be a part of this group?

A final note: For some reason, the Town of Mt Pleasant has been very slow in picking up yard debris and other items. We waited over three weeks to have the mess cleaned up from that last little blow. We have now waited over a week with stuff piled up again. Some things have been placed in medians and common areas. Please deposit this stuff in front of your own residence. When it sits on the grass, it kills it. When the loaders come along, they can dig up the soil and have been known to damage the curbs.

### Mark Your Calendars!



On Tuesday, October 31, at 5:30 p.m., there will be a "Kick-off to Trick or Treating" at 1279 S. Barksdale Road. Decorate your ride (bikes, wagons, golf carts), participate

in the costume contest, and grab a bite to eat before filling up on candy!



On November 10 or 17, we would love to have a chili cook off! If you live on a cul-de-sac or dead-end street and are interested in hosting, please contact E Reid Green or Danielle Couch to learn more about what is involved.



On Friday, December 8, at 6 p.m., there will be a holiday party hosted by Bonnie McBee Cooke and Jessen Cooke at 849 Tamarack Pine Court. Get in the holiday spirit by mingling with your neighbors and visiting with Santa!

### Signs and Decorative Posts Available

As most of you are probably aware, the Town of Mount Pleasant is replacing all of the sign posts in our neighborhood, and throughout the entire town, to ensure that all posts are breakaway certified. The WLCA Board is in the process of determining if it is monetarily feasible to replace our existing posts with breakaway compliant ones.

This replacement would be an expensive undertaking, and during the board's analysis period, the town will install "u-channel" posts with street signs and stop signs attached. Our existing signs and posts will be taken down and deposited in a dumpster so that we might recoup some money by selling them for salvage.

Our existing posts (but not the "skirts" or finials), street signs, and stop signs will be available to interested people. The existing posts are perfectly good 3-inch aluminum decorative posts that would make wonderful posts for attaching a yard light or any other use you might think of.

If you would like a sign, post, or multiple signs or posts, we ask that you make a donation to the HOA to help offset the cost of new decorative posts, if it is feasible to purchase these.

If you are interested in one or more of the signs or posts, please call me or send me an email and let me know how many you want.

Cliff Melton

843-224-1606 or cliff.melton@mel-mark.com

### Kudos to Neighborhood Drivers



I am still so appreciative and amazed at the neighborhood community spirit of looking out for drivers coming in and out of this wonderful neighborhood. Giving the right-of-way to drivers entering and leaving Wakendaw Lakes is such a helpful thing to do, and it is done all the time, not just occasionally. Thanks to all for this neighborly gesture! Thanks also for everything the board does. *Loretta Hollister*

## Women's Group November Meeting

The November meeting of the Wakendaw Women's Group will be held on Wednesday, November 8, at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Mary Lou Thomson, 714 Osprey Court. New members are always welcome!

## Yard of the Month



Congratulations to Harry and Annis Staley of 1371 East Vagabond Lane for Yard of the Month for October!

## Real Estate Activity (last 30 days)

Status*	Address	Sq.ft.	Price
A	745 Chatter Road	2,228	\$483,000
A	723 Gypsy Lane	2,417	\$535,000
A	746 Wakendaw Blvd	2,490	\$574,900
A	672 Oak Marsh Drive	2,054	\$589,000
AC	1350 E Vagabond Lane	2,578	\$473,000
AC	1381 E Vagabond Lane	1,934	\$490,000

\*A = Active; AC = Active Contingent; S = Sold

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