

WindStone Wonders

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COMMUNITY REMINDERS and NOTICES:



The next WRA Board meeting is Monday, January 13th
@ 7:00 p.m. at the Whisper Creek Clubhouse (1724 Holden Farm Place).

YARD DEBRIS AND CHRISTMAS TREE PICK-UP: Wednesday, January 8th

HOME IMPROVEMENTS: Please remember all exterior modifications to your home or property must be approved by the Architectural Review Committee prior to work commencing. The ARB modification application is available online at www.windstonehoa.org or by contacting the WindStone business office at 706-937-8846 or office@windstonehoa.org.

VEHICLE BAR CODES: If you need a new bar code, the required "Vehicle Information" form is on the WindStone website (www.windstonehoa.org) and also available at the gatehouse. Please complete and return the form to the business manager via email (office@windstonehoa.org) or leave in the mail slot outside the Whisper Creek clubhouse.

Welcome to the Neighborhood!



Please welcome our new neighbors!

David & Kelly Gentry
9810 Cattails Meadow

John & Mary Lou O'Brien
9509 Silent Circle

Gary & Mary Swager
129 Blue Jay Parkway

Leroy Woodard
9407 Lazy Circles

Congratulations to WindStone's 2019 Holiday Decorating Contest Winners:

Most Festive Street: Lazy Circles Drive

Traditionally Elegant: 1481 Whisper Way (Donald and Janet Jacobson)

Best Overall Theme: 1743 WindStone Drive (Gene and Terri Owens)

Most Christmas Spirit: 9443 Lazy Circles Drive (John Kleine)

A heartfelt thank you to last year's winners for their time and efforts in choosing this year's holiday decorating contest winners.



March 2020 WindStone Residential Association (WRA) Board Elections **Important Dates and Information**

- If you're interested in serving on the WindStone Residential Board of Directors, please email the WRA office at office@windstonehoa.org or contact the Chairperson of the Nomination Committee (Lamar Pace, 423-667-0979) for information about the upcoming election and open Board seats.
- **February 12th** is the deadline for submitting your nominee profile form. The best way to support your community and affect change is to get involved!
- Residents will have the opportunity to meet and get to know the candidates at an informal "Meet and Greet the Nominees" evening held in late February (specific date to be determined).
- Ballots will be mailed to every WindStone property owner at the beginning of March with detailed information about the election. Returning your ballot ahead of time, even if you plan to attend the annual meeting, is essential as this enables the Board to verify the quorum requirement will be met.
- The WRA Annual Meeting will be held at **7:00 pm on Monday, March 30, 2020 @ the WindStone Golf Grill**

WindStone Residential Association Board **Eligibility and Responsibilities**

In order to be eligible for a seat on the WindStone Residential Association Board, candidates must be a verified homeowner, in good standing with their HOA dues, and have a strong interest in dedicating their time and energy to serving the overall, best interests of the WindStone community.

The time commitment involved in serving on the WRA Board can be significant, ranging from an average of 2 - 8 hours per week, but varies depending on the specific Board position, the assigned committee, and a variety of other factors. Attendance at the monthly Board meetings (held the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m.) is mandatory as well as serving on a committee.

In addition to the monthly Board meetings, Board members are also expected to attend the annual meeting and work session meetings. Outside of the monthly meetings, Board members are also contacted on a regular basis regarding a variety of community issues/concerns.

WRA Meeting Highlights for December 9, 2019

The December 2019 WRA Board of Directors meeting was held as scheduled at the Whisper Creek Clubhouse. Thanks to those who attended. Below please find highlights of the December meeting:

1. Mr. Dave Hammel of Rainbro, Inc., owner of the sewage system servicing WindStone, presented information regarding the system. He gave a general overview of the system, which includes three pump stations within WindStone, as well as sewer charges. Mr. Hammel stated that these charges are calculated at the same rate (\$11.99/1000 gallons of metered water usage, with a 2000-gallon minimum, resulting in a monthly minimum sewer charge is \$23.98) charged by Tennessee American Water to Hamilton County residents. Although these charges are paid with the monthly Catoosa Utility District Authority (CUDA) water usage bill, they are not calculated by CUDA. Instead CUDA acts only as a collection agency for Rainbro, Inc.
2. Several Whisper Creek residents addressed the WRA Board with concerns about ongoing overnight street parking. Residents are reminded that overnight parking is not permitted within WindStone. Please see the WRA Covenants and Restrictions, Part Two, Article I, Sections 5 (Parking) and 15 (Offensive Activity) for more information.
3. New signage has been placed at the back gate. One sign reminds residents to wait for the barrier arm to fully lift before proceeding forward, while the other sign redirects non-residents to the front gate. Residents are reminded to NOT deliberately act in any way to open the gate for non-residents and to not knowingly allow a non-resident to tailgate when entering or exiting through the back gate.
4. Residents are reminded to contact the police directly regarding any traffic incidents within WindStone. Neither the WRA nor the guards can provide personal information regarding license plates and/or vehicles to anyone other than a police officer.
5. Work has begun on the Lake Wisley spillway, and the leak is approximately 80% repaired. Once the water level has sufficiently risen, the fountain will be turned back on.
6. A service request has been submitted to NGENC for streetlight outages in the neighborhood. Please direct any concerns about streetlights to the business manager.
7. Five WRA Board of Directors seats will be up for election in 2020. Each term runs for three years, and no Director shall serve more than two (2) consecutive terms. All homeowners in good financial standing with the WRA are eligible to run for the Board of Directors. Please contact the business office for more information if you are interested in serving the WindStone community in this manner. Please see the WRA Bylaws, Article V, Directors, and Article VI, Nomination and Election of Directors, for more information.
8. The Christmas Lights Decorating Competition will be held on December 15, 2019, after 7 p.m. Last year's winners will serve as judges for this year's competition.
9. The playground has been vandalized again. All flowerpots were overturned, necessitating the replacement of the soil and flowers within them.
10. The WRA Board is seeking suggestions for common area improvements. Please contact the business manager if you know of any common areas which need repair or updating. Approved projects will be addressed as funds become available.

Upon approval of the December Meeting Minutes at the January board meeting, the complete December 9, 2019 Meeting Minutes will be posted on the WRA website.