

# WindStone Wonders

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## **IMPORTANT DATES & COMMUNITY REMINDERS:**



**The next WRA Board meeting is Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.** The meeting format will be virtual, due to the current Hamilton County COVID guidelines. Contact the WRA office for more information at 706.937.8846 or [office@windstonehoa.org](mailto:office@windstonehoa.org).

**BACK GATES – RESIDENTS ONLY:** If you are expecting a delivery or working with a contractor, depending on the direction they are traveling from, their GPS may misdirect them to the back gates. The back gates are for *residents only and will not open without a barcode*.

Please remind any visitors, including contractors or delivery personnel, to use the gates at the front entrance on Ooltewah-Ringgold Rd. when entering or leaving the neighborhood. **DO NOT** encourage drivers without a bar code to follow your vehicle through the gates as this often results in the barrier arm being knocked down and causing fines to be assessed to your HOA account.

**SECURITY:** Lately, there has been an increase in stolen vehicles in the surrounding communities. To discourage vehicle break-ins and thefts, please park in the garage whenever possible, do not leave valuables in your vehicle and always lock your vehicle, especially at night. If you have experienced a break-in or observed suspicious behavior, please contact the local police department.

**TRASH SERVICE:** Trash service days are Tuesday/Friday each week. Trash must be bagged and is limited to six (6) total bags. Pick up of excessive amounts or large items must be arranged prior to service days by contacting Stephens Garbage at 423-693-5132.

Yard debris – First Wednesday of each month and includes small limbs, and bagged grass.

Recycle pickup – Third Wednesday of each month and includes plastic, steel cans, newspaper, and cardboard. Items should be bagged in clear or blue bags. Cardboard must be broken down. Glass is NOT accepted.

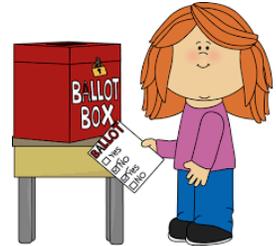
**STREETLIGHTS:** Please contact the WRA office (706-937-8846 or [office@windstonehoa.org](mailto:office@windstonehoa.org)) if you notice a streetlight is not working properly.

**HOME IMPROVEMENTS:** Please remember to submit an ARB application prior to beginning any exterior changes to your property. The ARB application is available online at [www.windstonehoa.org](http://www.windstonehoa.org) or by contacting the WindStone business office at [office@windstonehoa.org](mailto:office@windstonehoa.org).

**HOA BILLING QUESTIONS:** Please contact the finance manager, Lisa Crowder, at [financial@windstonehoa.org](mailto:financial@windstonehoa.org) if you have questions about your HOA billing statement.

## March 2021 WindStone Residential Association (WRA) Board Elections

- The WRA board will continue to monitor Hamilton County health regulations and advisories regarding COVID-19. Appropriate adjustments regarding the timing and format of the annual meeting will be made as needed. Details regarding the WRA Annual Meeting will be sent via email to residents.
- Although the timing and format of the WRA Annual Meeting will be modified, the election of board members will continue by residents returning their ballots. **Returning your ballot promptly is essential as this enables the board to verify the quorum requirement has been met.** March 29<sup>th</sup> is the deadline for returning your ballot.
- Return your signed ballot by dropping it in the secure box on the EXIT side of the gatehouse (guards cannot accept ballots). You can also leave your ballot in the box outside the WRA office at the Whisper Creek clubhouse (1724 Holden Farm Place) or return it via regular mail.
- Ballots were mailed to all WindStone homeowners. If you did not receive a ballot, please notify the WRA office at 706-937-8846 or [office@windstonehoa.org](mailto:office@windstonehoa.org).



## *Nominees*

**Johnny Barnes** (The Overlook) is an eleven-year resident, along with wife, Dawn, and two children. He has a Master's degree in nursing from UT Chattanooga and is a registered nurse anesthetist for Greater Anesthesia Services. Interests include golfing, biking, genealogy, and photography. He served as Education Coordinator for District IV of Tennessee of TANA; Vice President of fraternity; active at Brainerd Hills Baptist as an usher and leader of men's ministry events. Johnny has been a member of the WRA Board of Directors for the past two years, serving on the C&R Committee. Continued communication between the Board and residents, along with future WRA finances are issues important to Johnny.

**Why I Want to Serve on the Board - Quote from the Candidate:** *Serving on the board the last two years has really opened my eyes to the daily issues involved in operating a successful neighborhood of this size. When I became a board member two years ago, I had a goal of making sure this neighborhood became more fiscally responsible. Along with my fellow board members, I believe this has been accomplished. I also wanted to make sure the board was transparent with their decision making and I believe the board has taken a major step forward in this area. Now that these issues have been addressed, I want to move forward and make Windstone the nicest neighborhood in the local area. While the current board is striving to make this happen, I believe the continuity of serving on the board will help this goal be accomplished even further. I hope to serve the community for another term and continue serving the people of Windstone.*

**Doug Ross** (Lake Haven) is a five-year resident, along with his wife, Kristin, and two sons. He has a BS in Nuclear Engineering and works as a Senior Controls Engineer at Control Southern Inc.

**Why I Want to Serve on the Board - Quote from the Candidate:** *I want to help serve this community so that I can do my part to help keep WindStone a safe and beautiful neighborhood for its members. One of my goals is for the HOA to invest in more amenities for families in WindStone.*

**Terry Tracy** (Lake Haven) is a six-year resident, along with his wife, Lisa, son, Will, and dog, Max. He has a BS in Engineering & MBA. He retired from Mueller Water Products after 36 years in various engineering and management positions, which included project and day-to-day management of capital and expense expenditures. He also has experience in engineering, maintenance, safety, and environmental functions. Terry has been a member of the WRA Board of Directors for the past two years, serving as the Treasurer.

**Why I Want to Serve on the Board - Quote from the Candidate:** *I believe that I have the skill sets, and being retired, the time to devote to giving back to the neighborhood. I want to ensure our community is a place we all can be proud to call home by continuing to reinvest in it from a maintenance standpoint and improve the amenities we currently enjoy. My goal is to continue to promote the culture and mindset that the board is comprised of fellow residents who are dedicated to the best interests of the overall community.*



PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEW NEIGHBORS

Brandon & Celenna Loggins

Kevin & Michelle Welsh: 1509 Hawks Landing

## THE GRILL - SPECIAL OFFERINGS IN MARCH

### THURSDAY NIGHT SPECIAL DINNERS:

- 3/4 Philly Cheese Steak Sandwich
- 3/11 Meatloaf Dinner
- 3/18 Smoked Pork BBQ Sandwich
- 3/25 Prime Rib Sandwich

### FRIDAY NIGHT TACOS:



- 3/5 Blackened Fish & Jalapeno Lime Chicken
- 3/12 Shrimp Fajita & Smoked Chipotle Chicken
- 3/19 Prime Rib & Korean Steak
- 3/26 Steak Fajita & Chicken Fajita

The Grill (423-894-1231) continues to offer both take-out and curbside service Wednesday – Sunday.

**The Grill, along with the golf course, is independent of WindStone Residential Association and is a privately owned business.**

## WRA Meeting Highlights for February 8, 2021

The February 2021 WRA Board of Directors meeting was held virtually on the GoToMeeting platform. Thanks to those who participated. Below please find highlights of the February meeting:

1. Because of the spike in COVID-19 cases in Hamilton County, TN, the February 2021 Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors was held virtually on the GoToMeeting platform. Residents were informed of the change of venue via email and were asked to contact Business Manager Granic for directions on how to attend the meeting, should they desire. One resident attended this meeting.
2. Because COVID-19 cases remain high in both Catoosa County and Hamilton County, WRA Board Meetings will be held virtually via Go-To-Meeting in February, March, and April 2021. Residents will continue to be informed about meeting details via e-mail and may contact Business Manager Granic for directions on how to attend the meeting once that e-mail has been sent. The meeting format will be evaluated again in April 2021.
3. Due to ongoing COVID-19 restrictions on large public gatherings by local authorities and CDC guidelines, the WRA Annual Meeting has been postponed until such time as it can be held in person. The election for members of the Board of Directors will take place as usual, and the election results will be reported via e-mail.
4. Please watch for your green ballots in the mail. Please complete and return your ballot to the mail slot on the exit side of the gatehouse, the mail slot by the Whisper Creek Clubhouse door, or via mail to the Business Manager no later than 29 March 2021. Each owner will receive one ballot per lot owned. Only one owner signature is required per ballot, and unsigned ballots are not valid.
5. The walking bridge over the creek on Windstone Drive has been repaired. Further maintenance on this bridge is being explored.
6. Due to COVID-related concerns, the Annual Easter Egg Hunt will not be held.

Detailed information on all business conducted at this meeting can be found in the WRA Meeting Minutes for February 2021, which will be posted to the WRA website following their approval by the Board of Directors.