

# WINDSTONE WONDERS

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## August Yard of the Month

David and Kathy Balas

10 South Links Drive  
Ringgold, GA

CONGRATULATIONS



## Welcome to WindStone

Anna Marie Quinn  
1779 Holden Farm Circle

Thomas & Arlene McFarland  
44 South Links Drive

Michael & Jill Malloy  
7 Windsor Lane



## Community Yard Sale

Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>: 8 a.m. – 12 noon

Residents, come join us in the parking lot of New Heights Baptist Church. Arrive early to claim your spot and set up your items!

\$5.00 collected from each participant – to be donated to the church. Advertising provided by WRA.



## **Extreme** *MAILBOX MAKEOVER CONTEST*

What does your mailbox say about you? Does it need a face lift? Does it reflect a positive image of your home? September is WindStone's Mailbox Makeover Month. The WindStone Residential Association is hosting a "Mailbox Makeover" contest during September. Make your plans now to spiff up your mailbox and enter the contest. You, your letter carrier, and your neighbors will be pleased - whether you win the contest or not!

### **Here's what to do:**

- Take a photo of the existing box that needs a makeover.
- Make the changes you desire and take a photo of the new, spiffy mailbox.
- Submit both photos, along with your name, address, and phone number to: [wraoffice@yahoo.com](mailto:wraoffice@yahoo.com)
  - Entries will be accepted through September 30.

The WindStone Residential Association will judge the entries. There is a cash prize and the winner will be determined on October 7. The winning photo(s) will appear in the November newsletter. Mailboxes should be installed per the WindStone Covenants and Restrictions. Good luck!



**SAVE THE DATE**  
**Sunday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
**4 p.m. – 6 p.m.**



Please join us at our Fall Festival - Football Tailgating party.  
You are encouraged to wear your favorite football team's colors to this event.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Volunteers will be needed to help with set-up and/or clean-up, games and inflatable supervision, and general assistance. (This would be a great opportunity for high schoolers to earn some volunteer hours.)

If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, please contact Debbie Gwaltney at [debbiegwaltney@yahoo.com](mailto:debbiegwaltney@yahoo.com) (preferred) or 423-991-1407.

We look forward to seeing everyone there!

Do you have out-of-season clothes? Are you planning to update your wardrobe?

If so, please hold off on those donations of your gently used clothing. In conjunction with our annual Boy Scout Holiday Food Drive, we will also be accepting gently-used men's, women's and children's clothing, as well as gently-used toys to be donated to the Bethel Village Thrift Store.

This event is tentatively scheduled for December 9<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> at the Windstone Golf Club Pavilion.  
More details to follow in the October Newsletter.

## Jack's Corner

### September 2017

We have had a spectacular summer with plenty of rain, hot weather and, of course, the beautiful eclipse. What a way to finish off the summer! Fall awaits us with a much different kind of beauty - cooler weather and beautiful vistas of changing colors. This is the best time to plant almost anything that grows in our area. Install that new tree you have been looking to buy, as well as shrubs and flowers. Fall is also the best time to plant and re-seed fescue lawns.

Some shrubs to plant are azaleas, camellias, hollies, roses and pyracantha. The most favorable trees for our area include dogwood, leyland cypress, bald cypress, magnolia trees, many varieties of maple trees and so much more. Additionally, choose among many varieties and sizes of ornamental grasses to add form and color to your garden.

You may consider replanting annuals such as geraniums, petunias and zinnias in the full sun. Once temperatures begin to cool, however, replace them with pansies and violas to keep your garden full of color. If you have chrysanthemums in the ground, begin to fertilize them now. This will keep the mums thick, healthy, and full of blooms for the fall.

Bermuda lawns will benefit from a "winterizer" fertilizer applied six weeks before our first frost. Also, apply a pre-emergent with crabgrass preventer to both Bermuda and zoysia lawns to help prevent winter weeds. Plant fescue seed using six pounds of seed per 1000 square feet and mulch with Wheat Straw to hold in moisture and protect seed from birds. Fertilize fescue lawns towards the middle of the month and keep your lawns watered.

We must still be vigilant with those pesky mosquitoes, as they carry a variety of diseases. Empty all containers that hold water in your yard. Change the water in bird baths every three to four days to eliminate mosquito larvae. While working in the lawn and garden, be sure to spray your clothing with a mosquito spray, preferably one that contains Deet. If enjoying your deck or patio, try using a fan to blow from one end to the other. (Hint: mosquitoes don't like breezes.)

Be sure to take time to relax and enjoy the beauty we have around us.

Happy Gardening!

Jack Holloway, Master Gardener

**WindStone Grill**  
**423-894-1234, option 2**

Now serving dinner until 9 p.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays,  
and until 6 p.m. Friday - Sunday.

*New menu items now available.*

**NOTICES AND REMINDERS**

- **TRASH REMINDERS:**
  - **PLEASE BAG ALL TRASH**
  - **PLEASE BREAK DOWN CARDBOARD BOXES SO THEY ARE FLAT**
  - **YARD DEBRIS PICKUP** – First Wednesday of each month.
  - **RECYCLE PICKUP** – Third Wednesday of each month.
- **STREET LIGHTS** - Please email or call the office if you notice a street light that is not working properly.

