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NEW BOARD MEMBERS

At the Annual Meeting a couple of past board members decided not to continue in their volunteer roles. We have a couple of new members that volunteered to serve for 2022. The Board meetings are held the first Thursday of each month and are open to ALL residents! Please make plans to attend a meeting to meet your Board Officers that were elected at the December meeting for 2022. Please do not hesitate to contact any of the board members with questions or concerns that you may have at: wp-bod@grandchestermeadows.com.

Dennis McBride - President Larry O'Neal - Vice President Neely Hukill - Treasurer Patrick Williams - Secretary David Nichols – At Large Chris Errichetti – At Large Dave LaFontaine – At Large

NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNICATION

A lot of you have signed up for the W.P. Facebook site. While this is not the official communication site, the FB site offers a lot of great information about what is happening within Windward Pointe. If you are not subscribed and would like to be part of this, please let the Admin of the site know. Just search Groups and Windward Pointe Holly Springs. We also have an official neighborhood email list that is administrated by our management company, Grandchester Meadows. They regularly send out notes about happenings of the neighborhood for everyone that live in Windward Pointe. If you have not been getting these notes, please let them know or one of your Board members and you will be added to the list. In the next few weeks, a board member will be coming around to those that we know are not on the email list to add your email, if you would like to be added.



The participation in the W.P. Light and Decorations displays was simply wonderful! The judges drove though W.P. three times before deciding on winners!

Thank you all for helping make our neighborhood more colorful during the holiday seasons.

<u>Traditional</u>: Winner - 413 St Kitts Runner Up - 644 St Vincent <u>Modern:</u> Winner - 509 Sandy Pointe Runner Up - 613 Cayman <u>Griswold:</u> Winner - 312 Cayman Runner Up - 620 St Vincent

** NEWSLETTERS **

Our next Newsletter will be published in April – the Spring edition (April,May,June). If you would like to help in anyway- suggestions for articles, writing articles, or help publishing your quarterly newsletter, distribution of newsletter to neighborhood please let us know. All input is greatly appreciated.

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UPKEEP OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

Windward Pointe will soon be 30 years old – can you believe it! With age just as with just about everything, including our homes, there is need to be on top of the upkeep. Look around your home – does it need to be power washed, your trees and plants pruned so that they do not look overgrown, do you have leaves and pine straw that needs to be removed from your roof and gutters, as well as your yards that need to be removed, are we leaving items out that should be stored in the garage or taken to the landfill. A lot of constant work, I know, but to keep our homes looking the best and to make sure the value of our investment is kept up, we need to invest in them-time and financially. If there are any questions as to what you might need to do, please contact your HOA board.

WINDWARD POINTE ENTRANCE SIGN

As many of us have seen over the years our development sign at the corner of Cayman and Holly Springs is not in the best of conditions. We have been in contact with a local sign company and they are afraid if the sign is moved for repairs that it would not survive the move. Right now, we would like to wait to see what the outcome of the decision about the widening of Holly Springs Road and then make decisions concerning our sign. In the meantime, let's keep an eye on it and make our own repairs for the time being. A BIG thanks to Judy Hayes who helped painting the missing 'r'.

NEW LANDSCAPE COMPANY

We ended our previous landscaping contract this past October. We saved money by doing this and will be using the savings to do much need trimming and pruning of the trees and bushes around the Pool, Sonic area and the vacant lots on Cayman Ave. Our new landscaping company will begin their service on January 1, 2022. If any questions or concerns about our landscaping, please contact your HOA Board. If you would like to work with the landscaping committee, please email them at: **wp-landscape@grandchestermeadows.com**.

HOLLY SPRINGS ROAD WIDENING PROJECT

For several years we have heard that Holly Springs Road in front our neighborhood will be widened to four lanes, thus affecting our common property, including our sign. We are in communication with engineering personnel with the Town and we have been assured that any property that is taken for the widening, we will be sufficiently compensated, including our sign and landscaping. The Town Council will talk about this at their annual retreat in February and will discuss a timeline, at that time. We will keep you all informed as this process progresses. A link to the Town information page is linked on our Windward Pointe website; <u>https://www.grandchestermeadows.com/</u> <u>windward-pointe/</u>



There seems to be an increase in speeding all over town in recent times. As more and more cars travel along Cayman this is especially true in Windward Pointe. We have many, many young children that walk and play along our streets.lf a car is traveling more than the posted 20 MPH speed limit, there is a greater chance of not being able to stop if a child should run into the street without looking! Please, please, as you drive in Windward Pointe SLOW DOWN.

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COMMUNITY HOLIDAY PARTY

The Holiday Party was a huge success as approximately sixty residents attended this fun neighborhood with wonderful December weather. Santa made a special visit to see families which put a smile on everyone's faces. There were delicious snacks, plenty of hot cocoa, fun games, and creative crafts available throughout the afternoon. Everyone also demonstrated their generous spirit by donating several items for the Holly Springs Food Cupboard. It was wonderful seeing everyone joining together, meeting new neighbors, and sharing stories. This event is one of many reasons why we are happy that our family has moved here and we're proud to call the Windward Pointe Community our home! Happy New Year to everyone as we look forward to more exciting social committee events ahead in 2022!



** SOCIAL EVENTS **

February/March: Read Across America Event (Book-A-Thon and the unveiling of two book nooks)

April: Egg Hunt with the Easter Bunny

June: Summer Hawaiian Luau

August: Scavenger Hunt (Solve riddles by finding hidden items around our WP neighborhood)

October: Halloween Bash (costume contest, apple bobbing, fall games, and pumpkin carving)

December: Christmas Caroling with a Holiday Celebration

Your Social Committee is always open to new ideas for events in our neighborhood or to have a new face end a hand with some of the things that are being planned. If you would like to join in on the fun, please email: <u>wp-social@grandchestermeadows.com</u>.

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COVENANT COMMITTEE

As you aware the task of updating our neighborhood covenants was started several months ago. There are several W.P. neighbors that volunteered for the work and with the guidance of Grand Chester Meadows they are making progress. The latest update from them: "The next steps for the Covenants Subcommittee are to release a survey for owners to vote on potential Covenant changes they feel may be needed to ensure we spend our energies on the most important revisions. Once the

board approves the survey, it will be sent to owners. The committee will review the results and then will work with Grandchester to benchmark changes to covenants." If any questions, please let your HOA board know.

OTHER COMMITTEES

As with any organization there is always a need for folks to help with the planning and the many happenings in our neighborhood. Please see the above information about the Social and Landscaping committees. We would also like to see if you are interested in helping with two of other resurrected committees for our neighborhood.

• **Pool Committee** – help plan events, research for new furniture, etc. The pool is schedule to open on May 14th, so we need your ideas. Please email wp-pool@grandchestermeadows.com

• Maintenance Committee – As our pool and common areas age we need to keep things in good working order. If you would like to help in this area, please email wp-maintenance@grandchestermeadows,com.

OUR PETS

One of the complaints that we (HOA Board) received in the last year has been about our beloved pets. We all have them and love and care

for them. But at times our pets can upset our neighbors. We all must be constant in our vigilance to keep them from bothering our neighbors –



dogs barking too much, leaving our dogs waste in others yards, leaving waste in our own yards, and cats roaming outside our properties are a few things we have heard about this year. Please let us know if there are any questions or concerns concerning this. Please be considerate of your fellow neighbors.

MAILBOXES

One of the things that is so unique about Windward Pointe is its uniqueness – from the styles of the homes, the color, the landscaping and even our different styles of mailbox poles are some of the things that make our neighborhood so great. While we can take pride in our uniqueness, one of the things that should not be left to our imaginations is the placement of our mailboxes. While we have not been cited or even questioned, we all should be aware of the requirements from the postal service if we happen to be warned.

Position your mailbox 41" to 45" from the road/ground surface to the bottom of the mailbox or point of mail entry. Place your mailbox 6" to 8" back from the curb. If you do not have questions, contact your local postmaster for guidance.

Also, each mailbox/pole should have our home street numbers posted and be clear of all obstacles. Please take a look at your mailbox and if it does not meet the above, please take time to reposition your mailbox to meet these standards so that our mail person can safely deliver our mail.