

HARRISON PLACE NEWSLETTER

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Message From HOA President - Laura Niemi

Happy Spring from the Board of Directors! Our neighborhood is looking great - so green now that the pine pollen is gone. We all appreciate the pride and care everyone shows for Harrison Place.

Thanks so much to Victoria Thio for serving on the board for the past three years. And here's a warm welcome to Paula Rosen, our newest board member. Here's our current Board and their roles:

Laura Niemi	President and Landscape liaison
Wayne Dettloff	Vice President and Pool liaison
John Tramontin	Treasurer and Neighborhood Watch liaison
Paula Rosen	Secretary and ARC liaison
Clementine Tran	At-Large and Social Liaison

Our annual meeting was held on March 26. You can find the minutes on our Grandchester Meadows website at <https://www.jotform.com/tables/223205846951155>. As we discussed, our capital reserve study is in process, and we'll keep you informed as things move along. We'll also be taking a look at the neighborhood survey results. It's been suggested we consider meeting in person next year, and that's something we will definitely consider. Thanks to everyone who attended the meeting and/or completed the survey.

We're looking forward to several upcoming neighborhood events - the pool opening on May 11, the first social on May 18, and getting some new furniture for the pool area. You can find more details in the committee sections below. If you're interested in learning more about or joining one of our committees, just let the committee chairperson know.

Just a couple reminders – please pick up after your pets in our common areas and especially in a neighbor's yard. And remember we have a 25 mph speed limit and a lot of children in the neighborhood, so watch your speed, especially as evenings get lighter and summer break is coming up fast.

Hope to see you around Harrison Place soon.
Laura

Updates from the Pool/Tennis Committee: Larry Wu, chair

Members: Robert Buchan Board Liaison: Wayne Dettloff

Pool opens on May 11, 2024! After this eclipse, let's think full sun. We will be working with the landscape committee for upgrades to our appearance for the next few years.

The pool house periodically needs deep clearing which generally takes an hour or less. Let us know if you are interested.

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HPOA Social Calendar - Pat Berryman, chair

Members: Helen Papageorgiou, Brent Harsh, Gail Jones, David Blevins, Lisa Adams
Board Liaison: Clementine Tran
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2024 Social Calendar

DATE	EVENT / LOCATION	HOSTS
Sat, May 18	BBQ with pork, smoked turkey or chicken tenders, salads & desserts BYOB - reminder no glass at the pool At the Pool	Helen, Clem, Pat
Sat, June 8	Main course provided with bring your own sides. Cocktails will be provided At the Pool	Lisa, Gail
Sat, Aug 10	Pot Luck dinner, Cocktails will be provided At the Pool	Gail, David
Sat, Sept 14	Brats and Beer At the Pool	Brent
Sat, Nov 2	Heavy Appetizers, Wine and Cocktails At David and Leandra's porch	Pat, David

Hosts will cancel and post to the HPOA Facebook group if the weather or other conditions prevent the event. We will reschedule to the next day (Sunday) when possible.

HPOA Social Survey

Thanks to all who responded to the survey. We would like to answer common questions below.

- Childcare for Adult functions: We encourage young families to work together on child care options. This has been done in the past with one home as base and baby sitters coordinated by the parents. The social committee cannot provide childcare for families.
- Events are clustered together: in summer: We have adjusted the 2024 schedule to have our first pool social in May and skip the July social. We are also planning on having a February Adult Social in 2025. We are currently looking at a progressive event covering multiple homes.

Note: Past Newsletters are available on Grandchester Meadows website at this link: <https://www.grandchestermeadows.com/harrison-place/document-index/>

Landscaping Committee - Rachel Hunt, chair

Members: Kristen Klett, Leandra Blevins, Dustin Markwardt, Marjorie McCray
Board liaison: Laura Niemi

Hope everyone has enjoyed the bulbs showing up front this season. We have been very pleased! Now that the risk of frost has passed, the landscape committee will be working to plant some heat tolerant summer annuals and perennials up front as well as at the pool. We are also currently selecting an arborist to do some pruning and needed tree work in the recreation space.

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Architectural Committee: - Brent Harsh, chair

Members: Evan Halley, Kathy Morton, Dick Vohlers
Board Liaison: Paula Rosen
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Projects that require approval: fence install, new shed, driveway extension, new exterior paint colors, large scale landscape changes, etc. Here is the link to the request form and information page.
<http://www.grandchestermeadows.com/harrison-place/architectural/>

HPOA Neighborhood Watch (HPNW) - Herman Thio, chair

BLOCK CAPTAINS: Livingstone East - John Tramontin
Tasman - Sande Gilda
Canberra - Linda Buchan
Stanley - Susan Phillips
Livingstone West - Marcia Dettloff
Board Liaison: John Tramontin

The HP Neighborhood Watch recorded no incident in the first quarter of 2024. Thank you to the homeowners for being cautious and alert.

REMINDER: Let your next-door neighbors and block captain know when you are planning to be out of town.

Harrison Place Neighbors Facebook Page:

A Facebook page for Harrison Place Neighbors is available. To ensure everyone's privacy, the group is set to private so that only those who join will be able to see posts. You can join the group by requesting to join or being invited by another group member. The group can be found by searching "Harrison Place Neighbors" on Facebook. Invites can also be sent via Facebook or email.

Here is a link to the page as well: "Harrison Place Neighbors" https://www.facebook.com/groups/937631544061315/?ref=share_group_link

LOCAL EVENTS: TOWN OF CARY AND SURROUNDING AREA

Dog Daze and Pet Expo - May 4th, from 10-3 @ Cary Town Hall

Herbfest - May 5th from 12-4 at the Page-Walker Arts & History Center - In addition to touring the garden, festival-goers can stroll through booths selling a wide variety of garden-related items, including home care products, soaps and lotions, edible treats, garden products, and crafts.

Bands, Bites & Boats - 1st Friday of Each month at Bond Park, runs April - October - various musical talents plus rotating food trucks and breweries! All events are free.

Sunset Sweets - 3rd Friday in June, July & August - tasty treats from local food trucks and evening paddling on Bond Lake. Boat rentals will be extended to allow for boating until sunset.