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Digistal Newsletter

HOA is moving to a digital format for the quarterly newsletter. See all the details on page 3.

HOA Summer Reminders

From turtles to mailboxes, to giveaways. See all the reminders on page 4.

Dues Payments Reminder

The HOA has installed a drop box on the wall beside our office. Read more on page 5.

FROM YOUR HOA BOARD PRESIDENT

Summer is finally here. With its arrival come both promise and challenge. There is the promise of growing our plantings, completing outdoor projects, taking vacations, and having pleasant memories of past summers.

We, as a community, have many projects and challenges in the HOA. Most of the capital projects revolve around our mature infrastructure. As a well-established neighborhood, some of the infrastructure now requires advanced or replacement maintenance. The Dale Lake at the front of Wynlakes acts as the source of most of the "lakes" and ponds that make Wynlakes such a unique neighborhood. Beyond rain run-off, that lake is fed by a drilled well that, in a sense, ensures all the water levels and adds to the freshwater that prevents this total system from becoming stagnant. After over 35 years of heavy use, that well has passed its useful life. Work has begun to redrill a new well that is not far from the original one. Some foliage will be removed to gain access to the site, but it will be replaced after the work is complete. Your understanding and cooperation during this process is greatly appreciated.

Also, in this same lake, the signature fountain has proved problematic and has had a high failure rate. The decision has been made to replace it since it has only ever worked reliably for a few months and has required constant repair. Also, a far older fountain has failed in the pond near Brisbane and will be replaced. We have other smaller fountains requiring advanced maintenance and or replacement as well.

Many of the older trees in the center island of Wynlakes Boulevard have also become a problem, suffering from disease and old age. Separately, the City of Montgomery has provided nearly 30 trees as replacements for the trees lost along the Boulevard. We left the decision to the landowners adjacent to these removed trees whether they wanted them replaced. Most of these neighbors opted not to have them replaced. Therefore, the decision was made to use the donated trees on the islands as replacements for the trees removed.

The HOA has also engaged a landscape architect to provide a new perspective on many of our aging plantings, green spaces, and shielding foliage areas. A plan for the Minnie Brown/Pinecrest entrance includes new plantings, a redesigned berm, and proper irrigation. With the challenges we have in the other capital areas, we will likely make these updates in phases beginning this Fall.

We live in a challenging world, and most of us have concerns about our families' security. The increase in crime and the challenges the Montgomery Police face in personnel shortages make this concern even more acute. **Read more on page 2.**

More from the HOA President

Therefore, the HOA has created a Security Committee to create a proactive plan to answer these new challenges. Their work is progressing well, and their proposed initiatives, which will be announced shortly, are designed to enhance our community's safety. In the interim you will see more presence of MPD officers in marked cars shortly. However, this is only the first part of a much more comprehensive plan. We will reach out to the neighborhood when the full plan can be announced. Your safety must be our top priority.

Lastly, we have seen some challenges in the last few months provided by large gatherings or parties at some residents' homes. These parties are not small gatherings of 20 to 30 people with the required parking of 15 or so automobiles for a few hours. These gatherings by contrast generally open house style, parties with very large guest lists with on-street parking requirements of 50 or more automobiles that often are stacked on both sides of narrow lanes, block driveways, mailboxes, and fireplug access.

The HOA board takes this new challenge seriously. While not banning such gatherings, the HOA is considering an ordinance or rule requiring prior HOA notification, a single contact name, and a monitored cell number. They also must post a contingency deposit to resolve any damage and provide traffic/parking control for the full period of the gathering. The scale of the attendance/number of cars that will trigger this requirement is being considered currently, so there is more to come. The board does not want to penalize the usually considerate neighbors who provide prior notice to their neighbors while keeping their gatherings to amenable levels. However, over the past few months, some of these gatherings have grown to huge dimensions that require more neighborhood consideration by their sponsors. More to come. I hope you have a safe, enjoyable, and productive summer.

Dave Folsom Wynlakes Homeowners' Association Board President

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WYNLAKES GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB IMPORTANT SAFETY MESSAGE

Scooters and skateboards are absolutely prohibited from the Wynlakes Golf & Country Club Parking Lot, Cart Paths and Golf Course.

Also, <u>NO</u> fishing, swimming, wading or walking lake edges on the golf course are allowed. Walking, bicycling, and jogging are not permitted when golfers are on the golf course.

These are safety concerns and we ask for your cooperation in these matters.

- Management of Wynlakes Golf & Country Club



Our Wynlakes Quarterly Newsletter will soon be digital copy only, available through e-mail and our website (www.wynlakeshoa.com). We understand that some of our residents might wish to continue receiving their hard copy in the mail. If you would like to stay on the hard copy mailing list, you must "OPT-IN" by calling or emailing the HOA office before September 3rd. Our October Newsletter will be the first edition to be sent via e-mail, so please update your e-mail address and contact information with the office before September 3rd.





<u>Holiday Sanitation Pickup:</u> The Fourth of July holidays are coming, please remember that debris will NOT be picked up this week and refrain from putting it out at the curb.



<u>Turtles</u>: If the opportunity to safely move a turtle from the road occurs, please move it in the direction it was heading and off the edge of the road. It is trying to get to habitats and resources it needs.



<u>Mailboxes</u>: Please walk out and look at your mailbox. Does it have all its numbers? Does it need fresh paint? If your mailbox needs attention, please call the HOA office with any questions.



To better communicate with our residents, we are encouraging you to update your e-mail address and phone numbers with the HOA. Call, email, or include your current contact information on your July Dues Statement to enter a drawing for a \$50 gift

card to Little Donkey.

The drawing will take place on Tuesday, Sept.
3. Each household is eligible for one entry.

Dues Payments Reminder

All checks, to include bank issued, must be mailed to the HOA office at 8650 Minnie Brown Road Suite 114, Montgomery, AL 36117. Please ensure that checks mailed to the office are sent in time to arrive before the \$30 late fee is added on the first day of August 2024. All checks must have the following information included: invoice number, address of property, or the owner's name.

The HOA has installed a drop box on the wall beside our office door. The building is open from 7 AM to 6 PM Monday -Friday.

REMINDER: Wynlakes Golf and Country Club will not accept any checks for HOA dues.
Payments will be returned to sender.

NEW: If you would like to sign up for ACH payments, please contact the HOA Office at 334-215-4452.
Turn on "Auto Pay"!





Community Lake & Fishing Protocol

Our community is fortunate to have many lakes within it for our enjoyment. However, please keep in mind that no swimming or boating is allowed. Fishing is permitted if your property abuts a lake but trespassing to fish on private property is not permitted. Residents living on a lake, along with their guests who must accompany them, may fish from their property's shoreline. The only area where fishing access is permitted for all residents of Wynlakes is in the common area along Longneedle Drive (close to the 5th green on the big lake). Fishing is restricted to Wynlakes residents with an annual fishing permit issued by the HOA office. Fishing from any of our lake dams is prohibited as it is dangerous and a liability. *If you see violators, contact Security at 279-8358 immediately.*

TIPS FROM THE GROUNDS GUYS

Turf Tips – With consistently warmer days coming, it is time to get some water on the grass to keep it healthy and green! An early summer fertilizer application should have been applied already. A combination of the higher temperature and keeping the turf properly irrigated should help achieve maximum greenness. This combination can also mean that nutsedge can creep in. If you see it, notify your turf professional and get it serviced before it gets out of control!

Irrigation start-ups – Irrigation systems should be set on a regular run schedule now, and the frequency of water days can be adjusted up or down as needed. Make certain to water in the early AM, and not during peak heat times. Also make sure that all areas are being hit with sufficient water. Be on the lookout for large amounts of water in one area, where leaks might exist. Always consult a professional to have your irrigation system properly examined and / or repaired if needed.

Pruning and Trimming – What is the difference between pruning and trimming shrubs? Pruning is removing the unwanted branches or limbs. Major tree pruning should be done when dormant. Light trimming in the summer months will help trees and shrubs continue to grow in a healthy manner and will help the appearance. Before you begin pruning or trimming your trees and shrubs, reach out to a professional for more facts of the process.

YARD MAINTENANCE REMINDERS

As Summer has arrived, we would like to remind you of what the Covenants Committee considers the community-wide standards of a "well- maintained" yard:

- Routinely mowed (once per week in the active growing season);
- Sidewalks and driveways routinely edged;
- Grass/weeds in cracks of sidewalks and driveways removed or killed by herbicide;
- Shrubbery neatly trimmed;
- Any part of the yard visible from the street free from clutter;
- Dead grass and shrubbery removed and/or replaced.

AEGIS IS YOUR BEST SOURCE FOR BUYING OR SELLING IN WYNLAKES AND THE RIVER REGION!

Now is a great time to buy or sell a home. Call us!

Front Row L to R:
Debra Hawk, Ann Michaud, Sally Byrd, Anna Kate Bowen

Back Row L to R: Rita Pickette, Kelli Gilliam, Lee Goodwyn, Linda Browder, Lynn Peck





















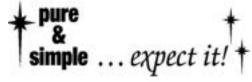












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NEWS BYTES

VACATION HOME CHECKS

Going on Vacation? Please complete a "Vacation Home Check" form, which may be downloaded from www.wynlakeshoa.com or picked up at the Vaughn Road Security Guard house or the HOA Office. Completed forms may be submitted to the HOA office (by email or scan) or dropped off at the Vaughn Road Security Guard House.

HOA OFFICE CLOSED

The HOA office will be closed July 4 and 5, and Sept. 2. If you need assistance during that time, send an email to wynlakeshoa@wynlakeshoa.com.

BULK SANITATION

Do you have a large amount of curbside debris? Call 311 to schedule your pickup. Cost may vary depending on your amount

WYNLAKES WOMEN'S CLUB

The Wynlakes Women's Club is open to all residents and lot owners in the Wynlakes Subdivision. For reservations, please contact Lynda Turner at 334-244-1099.

DROP OFF YOUR CURBSIDE DEBRIS.

Montgomery Sanitation's Pickup Points are open to residents from **9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.** the first and third Saturday of each month. This program helps residents dispose of bulk trash, which includes yard debris, broken furniture and more, while easing the burden on sanitation crews. Halcyon Elementary School, 1501 Parkview Dr. is nearest to our neighborhood