



Vision: One Voice - One Neighborhood

Message from the Association President



Hello Neighbors,

Webster defines the word pride as; ostentatious display, a source of pride: the best in a group, delight or elation arising from some act, or relationship. As you ride through our neighborhood you can observe all the great things that pride has manifested in our neighborhood. We are making every effort to continuously address many unattractive violations that are included in our covenant. We solicit your help in assisting us in addressing any covenant oversights with our Spirit Pointe family. As an HOA, we are here to do whatever we can do to keep Spirit Pointe as the hidden jewel of south Richmond County. I encourage all who reside in our community to put your shoulder to the wheel and let's take Spirit Pointe to the next level.

Please, as you witness the following violations let us know, acquire as much information as you can. We will maintain discretion in addressing any reported violations.

- Speeding at any time (we need tag numbers)
- Excessively loud music (after 11:00 pm address is needed)
- Cars on jacks in driveways
- Flat tires on vehicles that remain inoperable

Thank you and see you at our next meeting on June 7th at Diamond Lakes.

Sincerely,

Michael R. Cooper
President, Spirit Pointe Homeowners Association

Next Neighborhood Association Meeting

Tuesday, June 7, 2022 | 6:00 p.m.
Diamond Lakes Community Center
103 Diamond Lakes Way, Hephzibah, GA 30815

Spirit Pointe Neighborhood Prayer

Dear God,



We thank you for Spirit Pointe Neighborhood and every family in our neighborhood. We ask you to bless us with your safe protection over our families and properties. It is our prayer for a loving and caring neighborhood. Gracious God, anchor our leaders in true faithfulness, their talents, and resources in servicing our neighborhood as we work together. For this is our prayer in Jesus name, Amen.

Updates

All residents are asked to keep their HOA dues current to help keep our neighborhood attractive.

Dues are \$130.00 per year or \$65.00 in two payments. Please contact our Treasurer, Michael Corley at michael.corley1@gmail.com



For participating in our Neighborhood Cleanup! We accomplish a lot when we all work together to keep our neighborhood beautiful and safe. Your participation was greatly appreciated.

Spirit Point Website | Newsletter Submissions

Please check out our website.

Visit us at <http://spiritpointhomeownersassociation.com/>

If you have suggestions or stories of interest to contribute to the website or the newsletter, please let us know.

Submit all information for the newsletter no later than the 25th of each month to ladywest@comcast.net.

To Our Newest Neighbors

Welcome to the Neighborhood!



Although we are different in many ways, we have much in common because we have chosen the Spirit Pointe neighborhood as the place where we will live, care for our families, raise our children, forge new relationships, and more. We are proud of our neighborhood and hope that you will be proud that you have chosen this community as your own.

HAPPY
Father's
DAY

to all of the Fathers of Spirit Pointe.

We hope you have a wonderful day
of rest, relaxation and appreciation.

What Your Association Board Does for You

As a homeowners association, our community has a board to help our HOA run smoothly. The board consists of volunteers who execute a wide variety of tasks you may not be aware of; however, their work affects every single resident.



Several of the important things that the board does is maintain the Front Entrance, promote safety and security of the community, and build a sense of community among us neighbors. Ultimately the board is looking out for the greater good to keep property value up and conflicts down.

Another major responsibility of the board is to collect dues from homeowners. Collecting this money is important for the stability of the association and maintaining the common elements enjoyed by all residents. These dues replenish the reserve funds, which pays for utilities, maintenance, and repairs the association may need. The board is responsible for the association's finances, and collecting dues is how it ensures that the association remains solvent.

Finally, the board acts on behalf of the association by hiring personnel on an as-needed basis such as contractors, attorneys, and other professionals to help with association business. Board members also help conceive and lead many of the projects that will improve the HOA. While it's a big job, board members are happy to serve the residents and make the community a great place to call home. So why not learn more about what these volunteers do by talking to your board members, attending an open board meeting, participating on a committee, or even running for a seat on the board during our next election? The more people we have looking out for our association, the stronger it will be.

Covenants & Bylaws



Each month we will highlight different sections of the Protective Covenant. This month, let's take a look at **Section 12: Hobbies**

The pursuit of hobbies or other activities, including without limiting the generality hereof, the assembly and disassembly of motor vehicles and other mechanical devices, which might lead to disordered, unsightly or unkempt conditions, shall not be pursued or undertaken on any lot.

What About Our Dogs???

When not inside your home, all of our furry companions should be kept behind a fence or on a leash at all times when



not enclosed in the fence. Dogs are not allowed to be roaming the neighborhood without their owner(s) and should be closely monitored when relaxing in your garage or on

the porch as they can quickly run out to "greet" passersby. This can result in a very bad situation. Owners are responsible for the behavior of their pets and should clean up after them. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

The Speed Limit in Spirit Pointe is 25 mph!

It's time for our children to get out of school. Be aware of the posted speed limit for our community.



Yes, you really can drive that slow!

Getting Ready for Spring and Summer

Your Spring Home Maintenance Checklist

Reprinted from *Family Handyman* (Updated: Mar. 31, 2021)

When winter departs, it's time to check for damage and prepare for the hot weather ahead.

With the days lengthening and weather warming, spring is a good time to get outdoors and tackle some larger home projects. Now is the time to look for damage and make any needed repairs, as well as prep your home and garden for summer.

Clean Gutters and Downspouts

After the last frost has passed, it's important to have your gutters and downspouts cleaned and repaired. "Clogged gutters and downspouts can cause the wood trim at the eaves to rot, and that can invite all kinds of critters into your attic space," says Victor Sedinger, certified home inspector and owner of

Having your gutters and downspouts cleaned early in the season can also help prevent damage from spring rains. “Gutters and downspouts should be clean and running free,” Sedinger says. “If your downspouts are installed properly, water is diverted away from the house so that no water collects around your foundation.”

Reseal Exterior Woodwork

Wood decks, fences, railings, trellises, pergolas, and other outdoor structures will last longer and stay in better condition if they’re stained or resealed every year or two. Take this opportunity to make any needed repairs to woodwork as well.

Check for Signs of Termites

Beginning in March and going through May or June, be on the lookout for these winged insects. “Termites swarm in the spring,” Sedinger says. “If there’s a bunch of winged insects flying out of a hole in the woodwork, that’s probably termites. Call a licensed professional pest control company. You’ll save money and trouble in the long run.”

Inspect the Roof

Winter storms can take quite a toll on the roof. When spring arrives, start by making a simple visual inspection of your roof. “It doesn’t require a ladder, and you certainly don’t have to get on a roof to look,” Sedinger says. “Use binoculars or a camera or smartphone with a telephoto feature if you need to.” Look for missing shingles, metal pipes that are damaged or missing, or anything that simply doesn’t look right.

Paint the Exterior

If you’re planning to repaint your home’s exterior this year, spring is a good time to set it up.

Inspect Driveways and Paths

Freezing and thawing is rough on concrete, asphalt, and other hardscaping materials. Take a walk around your property to look for damage to walkways, paths, and driveways. Asphalt can often be patched, but damaged concrete may need to be replaced entirely.

Check Sprinkler and Irrigation Systems

Checking your sprinklers or irrigation systems in the spring can save water – and save your plants. Sedinger shares these tips for checking your watering system:

- Run the system through all the zones manually and walk the property.
- Make sure none of the heads are broken or damaged.
- Adjust any heads that are spraying the house, especially windows, as this can cause moisture problems.
- Adjust heads that are spraying the street, sidewalk, or porches to avoid wasting water.

Prevent Mosquitoes

“West Nile virus and Zika virus are just the latest diseases caused by these winged pests,” Sedinger says. The best way to prevent mosquitos around your home is simply by getting rid of any standing water. If you see anything or any

area where water stands, fix it, tip it, get rid of it, or maintain it regularly,” Sedinger says.

Check Screen Doors and Windows

Screens are designed to let the breeze flow in and keep bugs out — but they can only do their job if they’re free from holes and tears. Before setting up your screens for the warm months ahead, be sure to carefully check each one and repair any holes or tears, no matter how small.

Schedule Air-conditioning Service

“Home inspectors see a lot of air-conditioning systems that are just not taken care of,” Sedinger says. “Just because it gets cool doesn’t mean it’s working efficiently.” To get the longest life out of your cooling system and keep it running as efficiently as possible, change the filters at least once each season, and hire a licensed professional to service the equipment before the start of summer.

Achievements & Celebrations



Please let us know about your achievements and celebrations by submitting the information to Patricia Walker @ patwalker789@gmail.com or Millicent West @ ladymwest@comcast.net NLT the 25th of each month.

Get Involved - Neighborhood Committees

Your knowledge, skills and abilities are needed on one or more of our neighborhood committees. Please step up and volunteer to serve.

Crime Watch Committee

The crime watch committee shall carry out all the responsibilities of the neighborhood crime watch.

Note: We would like to compile a library of homes with exterior cameras so if

anything happens in our community, we can check camera feeds for valuable information. If you have exterior cameras, please contact Calvin Morrow at calvinemorrow@gmail.com. This information is confidential.

Activities Committee

The activities committee shall have charge of all social activities of the association.

Beautification Committee

The beautification committee shall be responsible for promoting and encouraging the beautification of the neighborhood and making necessary recommendations to the Board of Directors.

Education Committee

The education committee shall be responsible for monitoring the education activities of the public schools serving the neighborhood and assisting such schools in improving their educational activities.

Land Use Committee

The land use committee shall be responsible for handling the zoning and land use issues affecting the neighborhood.

Welcoming Committee

The welcoming committee shall be responsible for visiting new homeowners of Spirit Pointe, orienting new neighbors to the Association, and distributing welcome information packets.

HOA and Executive Board Meeting Schedule



Please mark your calendar for the following meeting dates. We look forward to seeing you.

June 7, HOA Meeting (DLC) @ 6:00 p.m.

July 5, Executive Board (Zoom) @ 6:00 p.m.

August 9, HOA Meeting (DLC) @ 6:00 p.m.

Zoom Video Conference - Credentials will be sent out in the newsletter.

DLC - Diamonds Lakes Center

Who We Are

The Spirit Pointe Neighborhood Association membership is composed of a diverse and multi-racial group of families. All homeowners are encouraged to join the Association and do their part to enhance our community. Everyone is encouraged to reach out and assist each other as the need arises and to be “a good neighbor.”

Our Executive Committee



Michael Cooper
President



Marion Johnson
Vice President



Patricia Walker
Secretary



Michael Corley
Treasurer

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