

# Hedgerow Herald

Hedgerow Homeowners Association Newsletter Spring 2020

## A Note from the Board

Hello Hedgerow Neighbors!

This year started out with a bang and it's continuing to move at lightning speed. We are faced with a new sense of normalcy right now with the Coronavirus, but we will get through this. The sooner the better!

We ask that we all work together (amid social distancing) and help neighbors out who may not be able to get to the stores to get basic things and provide that community support for which we are known.

For those who were unable to attend the Hedgerow HOA Annual meeting in October, we did not have a quorum between attendees or proxy ballots. As a result, we were unable to hold the election for the board members. Four board positions were up for election. Based on the Bylaws, all board members remain in their positions until their term expires, which will be in October 2020. After the annual meeting, two board members elected to resign their positions. The Board voted on the addition of two new board members, who also happened to be on the ballot, to fill those seats. That being said, we thank the outgoing board members – Jay DeSilva and Laurie Dickson for their service to Hedgerow and we welcome our newest members – Mandy Arnold and Matt Everard.

Here are the board members serving our community:

President	Hayley Bradt
Vice-President	Adam Sweitzer
Secretary	Mandy Arnold
Treasurer	Melissa Wiggins
Architectural Control	Matt Everard
Grounds	Justin Augustine
Pool	Cara Barron
Social Chair HR I	Candace Slagle
Social Chair HR V	Matthew Townsend

If you have any items of concern that need to be brought to the board's attention, please send to [contactthoa@gmail.com](mailto:contactthoa@gmail.com)

Stay well and we look forward to seeing you soon!

Hedgerow HOA Board

## Keep Up With Neighborhood Happenings:

- ⇒ <https://www.yourhedgerow.com>
- ⇒ [www.facebook.com/ Hedgerow Homeowners Association](https://www.facebook.com/HedgerowHomeownersAssociation)
- ⇒ [contactthoa@gmail.com](mailto:contactthoa@gmail.com)

## For HOA Billing or Closing Letters:

Community Management Associates  
Property Manager: Kiva Brewer  
[kbrewer@cmacommunities.com](mailto:kbrewer@cmacommunities.com)  
Direct Phone: 404.835.9157

## HR I Pavilion Update

As mentioned in the Fall newsletter, the HR I Pavilion project is underway. Phase 1, which included the removal of the old pavilion and slab plus the installation of a new slab with sidewalk to the parking lot is complete. Phase 2, which includes the new pavilion, granite counter-tops, two built in charcoal grills and a new metal fence is currently in progress

and is expected to complete before the pool opens.

However, due to the Shelter-in-Place orders, construction may be delayed.

Please contact Justin Augustine for any additional details.

### Did you Know?

Parking on the street continues to be an issue. This causes an unnecessary and dangerous obstruction to children, school buses and pedestrians. Please **do not** park on the street. The Cobb County dispatch is aware of the issue in the neighborhood and will be visiting when these issues are reported.

The board has noticed a few houses with old cars or broken down vehicles parked in the driveways. This is a code violation and will be addressed by the county. If you currently have **non-working vehicles** in your driveway or on the street, please make sure these are **removed immediately**.

### PLEASE KEEP OUR COMMON AREAS CLEAN

Please do not dump personal trash and/or junk or other bulk items in the trash areas by the pool or common areas. The board will be installing cameras in these areas to ensure that dumping does not occur and that those that decide to do this anyway will be held responsible.

The deadline for paying the **2020 Annual Dues was March 1** — unpaid dues and late fees are to be paid immediately.

## Architectural Control



Hey Everyone! Spring is upon us! I am sure we all feel the same that we cannot wait for constant sunshine and to get outside, *consistently*!

As we start to do yard work, plan projects and make improvements to our homes and yards, it is important that everyone remembers we win as a neighborhood when every homeowner does their part and does what it takes to make their homes look the best.

We each hold a responsibility to maintain, fix and improve the outside of our homes to continually make our neighborhood one that is desired and most importantly, allows property values to increase. I encourage all homeowners to cut your grass regularly but to also edge your yard for a crisp, clean look. There are a great number of you that already execute and maintain your homes and yards. However, there are many homes that could use a little love and attention - replace broken shutters, pressure washing homes/siding or replace rotting wood, etc. Let's all work together and continue to do our part to make HR a neighborhood of choice.

**ACC Property Improvement Approval Form** - [www.yourhedgerow.com/architectural-forms](http://www.yourhedgerow.com/architectural-forms)

For all updates & changes to exterior of homes & yards, including but not limited to:

Painting, exterior remodeling/renovations, landscaping, fencing, re-roofing or any structural change to house or any major changes to your yard.

Please provide to the ACC and Board a home improvement application with detailed information - drawings, plans, color swatches, etc. We will try to get back to your request within 48-72 hours. However, by-laws state the board has up to 30 days to approve.

Lastly, one of the easiest ways we can improve the unity in our neighborhood and enhance curb appeal is to have *mostly* all the same mailboxes. Now I know some of us have a brick mailbox (so this need not apply), but for everyone else, I would like to strongly encourage to upgrade your mailbox to a standard cast iron mailbox (see next page). For just a few hundred dollars, you get a nice mailbox *installed*, we bring a unified look to HR and you don't even have to do anything. Pay and forget it. Then come home to a fresh, newly installed mailbox every day.

Thanks to all the HRs! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Matt Everard  
[hedgerowacc@gmail.com](mailto:hedgerowacc@gmail.com)  
ACC  
404.825.0637

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CALL US: (770) 436-6198

<http://mymailboxorder.com/hedgerowmb>

### MAIL'S HERE!

Have you looked at your mailbox lately? Is it shabby chic...or just plain shabby? If your mailbox is falling over, rotten, faded, or generally in bad shape, here is a great solution. Check out this company for a replacement mailbox. The Hedgerow HOA has conferred with Addresses of Distinction and strongly encourages residents to replace run-down mailbox with a new attractive, metal mailbox like the one below.



Hedgerow - Charleston Mailbox System (Large MB, 2" WBB Numbers)

**\$325.00**

**CHOOSE OPTIONS**

*\*Price includes installation*

# 2020 Community Events

## Easter Egg Hunt—Canceled

The Board made the difficult, but necessary, decision to cancel the Easter Egg Hunt this year due to the Corona-virus.

Events Suspended: the Schools Out Pizza Party and the Memorial Day BBQ are being suspended this year due to COVID-19

## Pool Opening

**Monday, June 1**  
**12:00 Noon\*\*\*\***

## 4<sup>th</sup> of July BBQ

**Saturday, July 4 12:00 Noon – 2:00 p.m.\*\*\*\***  
HR I and HR V Pool Pavilions  
Odd addresses bring a side  
Even addresses bring a dessert  
Drinks provided

## Back to School Ice Cream Social

**Friday, July 31 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.\*\*\*\***  
HR I and HR V Pool Pavilions  
Ice cream, toppings, soda and water provided

## Labor Day BBQ

**Monday, September 7 12:00 Noon – 2:00 p.m.\*\*\*\***  
HR I and HR V Pool Pavilions  
Odd addresses bring a side  
Even addresses bring a dessert  
Drinks provided

## Halloween Party

**Saturday, October 31 5:30 p.m.**  
HR I and HR V Pool Pavilions  
Pizza and drinks provided

**\*\*\*\* Event dates are subject to change or cancellations are possible due to COVID-19. \*\*\*\***  
**Updates will be posted on the Hedgerow Facebook page and on the HOA website.**



## Recognize Your High School Senior!!

We are collecting the names of Hedgerow graduating high school seniors for the graduation banners posted at the front of each HR subdivision.

Send the name of your graduating senior and the name of the school to which they will be attending to:

Meddie Finnegan

770-855-1642

Deadline: **April 26<sup>th</sup>**

## Pavilion Reservations Now Online

A pavilion may be reserved for private parties (the pavilion is private—not the pool). The following procedures apply:

- ⇒ The host must register the pavilion reservation online. <https://www.reservemycourt.com>
- ⇒ New registrants will need to set up a profile and use access code 1234 for the online reservation site for Hedgerow pavilions.
- ⇒ This online reservation site is used for the pavilions and tennis courts.

# GROUNDS

Spring is here and we've already started to spruce up our common areas. Both playgrounds, plus the HR V pavilion and HR I tennis pavilion have been pressure washed and stained. We are also going to spruce up all the entrances (flowers and pine straw). The Mabry construction and the their delays have made it difficult to maintain the space. Pine straw and mulch will also be added this spring. Normal maintenance including lawn and hedge trimming will continue as normal plus other maintenance items such as fallen trees and limb removal.

Please reach out to Justin Augustine if you'd like more details.

## YARD WASTE and SPECIAL PICKUP (Bulk Item Pickup) SUSPENDED

American Disposal has temporarily suspended pickup of yard waste and bulk items due to the Coronavirus.

All household trash must be secured in your cart.

## Dog Walking Etiquette

When walking your precious pooch, please remember a few rules of etiquette:

- ◇ Always use a leash
- ◇ Always clean up after your dog (scoop the poop) in yards and in the common areas. Be sure to take extra bags with you.
- ◇ Remember — not everyone likes dogs
- ◇ Be mindful of flowers and bushes



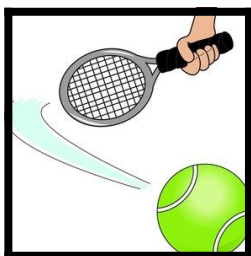
Here is how to sign up for updates from the new Hedgerow Website:

- ◆ Go to [www.yourhedgerow.com](http://www.yourhedgerow.com)
- ◆ Click "Sign up" on the home page
- ◆ Complete the form
- ◆ Click Submit\*
- ◆ Receive HHOA updates

*\*You only need to register once.*

### Rules for Safe Walking

- Walk Facing Traffic
- Cross **Safely** and use Crosswalks when available
- Walk on Roads single file
- Stay Aware of Bikers and Runners
- Be Visible
- Be Predictable
- Hang Up and Eyes Up



## Tennis Anyone?

With the Spring tennis season cancelled, we may not have regular matches, but we will still be using the courts. Please do your part to keep the courts clean and be sure the gate is locked, the bathrooms closed and the lights are turned off. For the summer tennis season, captains are responsible for collecting all non-residents players fees (\$25 per person).

**NOTE TO PARENTS:** The Tennis Courts should **only** be used for tennis.

*This means don't let your free spirited kids play freeze tag or whack a mole on the courts during adult swim and **NO** bicycles, tricycles, roller blades, roller skates, skateboards or scooters on the tennis courts. These items are strictly prohibited on the tennis courts at all times.*

For court reservations, go to [www.reservemycourt.com](http://www.reservemycourt.com). New players will need to set up a profile and use access code 1234 for the online reservation site for the Hedgerow courts.

Please be sure to notify the board of any court issues.





## Greetings from your pool chair!



What a bizarre spring we are encountering here in Hedgerow! If there is a silver lining, it is seeing how our community pulls together during these times.

Our original pool calendar was supposed to be the same as last year opening on the last day of school. **With the current situation, we have a tentative opening date of June 1<sup>st</sup>. This date could potentially be pushed back to a later date.**

In past years, in an effort to best utilize our resources, and keep costs manageable, we offer lifeguards when kids are out of school every day of the week during the summer, and weekends through Labor Day. With our pool season potentially being cut short, the board may decide to extend a longer season depending on availability with Nautix. **The best way to get updated information is through the website, and I will always post updates on the Hedgerow Facebook page.**

### Lifeguard hours:

#### June 1-Aug 2

Sunday-Thursday 12:00-6:00pm  
Friday-Saturday 12:00-8:00pm

#### Aug 3-Sept 7

Friday 4:00-8:00pm  
Saturday 12:00-8:00pm  
Sunday 12:00-6:00pm

**Oct 4:** \*tentative date for pool closing for the season—this date is subject to change

The pool is available to ADULTS and adults with children with “swim at your own risk” hours when no lifeguard is present. **No children or teens should be at the pool without adult supervision during non-lifeguard hours.**

Please **READ** the pool documents. **If you have read, and agree to ALL pool rules, then scan and send the signed documents directly to me via email .** If you have a minor attending the pool without an adult (during lifeguard hours only) than please include their names and ages. I will not be accepting paper documents this year.

[carabarron@comcast.net](mailto:carabarron@comcast.net)

If you have misplaced your pool/tennis access card, please let me know. The replacement cost is \$25, and only one can be assigned per household. Please send your payment to

**CMA c/o Hedgerow HOA  
1465 Northside Drive  
Suite #128  
Atlanta, Ga 30318**

When payment is received, I can mail you a new card, and deactivate the lost card.

If you are new to the neighborhood, please let me know so I can issue you a card. It can take a few days for the payment to process with CMA (whether late dues payment or card replacement cost). Please keep this in mind when requesting a card. I cannot accept any money personally. All payments must go to CMA.

### A few quick reminders for the season:

- No smoking, glass, or pets are allowed in the pool area.
- If you utilize the trash cans for a party, please roll them back to the designated area in the parking lot so it gets picked up.
- Please take care of our furniture. It should not be dragged around or used on its side.
- Please clean up after yourselves, and encourage your kids to do so when attending alone. This will help with pest issues, and keep our communities looking great.
- If the pool needs to be closed for a day for any reason, I will post it on the Hedgerow Facebook page.
- Please use the website to reserve the pool pavilions, and remember to schedule an extra lifeguard for a larger party. Please refer to pool rules for guidelines on scheduling lifeguards

I appreciate everyone in the neighborhood for assisting me to make our pools a great community! Please let me know of any issues. I cannot be at the pools all the time, so your information and updates are very helpful!

Thank you,  
Cara Barron



# Pool Rules



## I. Pool Philosophy

The Hedgerow pools are a pivotal part of the common areas and amenities available to Full Active Association Members and are a social hub for Hedgerow families during the hot Georgia summers. The Pool Committee, with the full support of the Board, is committed to providing a fun, safe, and respectful environment for our membership, made possible by similar commitment from the members themselves. The pools are not de facto day camps, nor are the lifeguards to be considered baby-sitters, and we are all ultimately responsible for contributing to a positive environment.

## II. General Rules

1. Pool access is restricted to Full Active Members of the HOA and qualified, sponsored Seasonal Members. Non-participating Charter members and Permanent members serving suspensions are not eligible for access; neither as full active members nor as guests of full active members
2. All individuals aged 12-17 using the pool must present a Hedgerow/Nautix-issued permit, that the lifeguard will request upon entering the pool enclosure, in order to identify everyone present.
3. The lifeguard has complete authority to enforce the rules and to take whatever action is necessary to maintain safety, order, and decorum at the pools. This includes limited suspension of pool rights and, with Board approval, suspension of pool access for the entire season.
4. Once every hour, the lifeguard on duty is entitled to a ten (10) minute break. For the purposes of promoting their health, safety and welfare, all swimmers must exit the pool.
5. No running, pushing, or horseplay will be tolerated. Pool games will be limited at the discretion of the lifeguard.
6. Proper bathing attire is required. No thong suits or cutoffs will be allowed.
7. No glassware is permitted in the pool enclosure.
8. No bicycles, tricycles, skates, skateboards, etc. are permitted on the pool deck or tennis courts.
9. Idle chatting with the lifeguard, and hanging on the lifeguard stand, is not permitted while the lifeguard is on duty.
10. The lifeguard stand is off limits during Swim at Your Own Risk hours.
11. Only one (1) person at a time is allowed on the diving board.
12. The area in front and beneath the diving board must be clear before diving.
13. It is the responsibility of the member and their guests to clean up after themselves when using the pool and covered area. This is especially important when using the facilities during the Swim at Your Own Risk hours.
14. Please inform the pool committee if the pool area and/or bathrooms need cleaning or repairs.
15. There will not be any filling of baby pools.
16. A parent must physically be in the pool water with any child age three (3) and under even if they have floatation devices on their body.
17. Swim lessons may only be conducted during off-peak hours.
18. No Smoking is permitted in the Common Areas.
19. No animals are allowed in the pool or pavilion enclosures at any time.

# Pool Rules continued



## III. Age Requirements

1. Children under age 18 **MUST** be accompanied by an adult when a lifeguard is not present. Anyone violating this rule will be suspended from both pools for the entire season.
2. Children age 12 and older without an accompanying adult will be admitted to the pool during Lifeguard on Duty hours only. The lifeguard will be checking the list of members to verify the age of your children. In addition, the lifeguard will be conducting a swim test to verify that your child can swim well enough to be at the pool by him/herself without an adult.
3. Children under age 12 **MUST** be accompanied by a parent or a parent-appointed guardian (babysitter) at all times. This guardian (babysitter) must be at least 16 years old and assumes responsibility for the children in their care in the same manner as the parent.
4. Children under 12 and other non-qualified swimmers must pass a test determined by the lifeguard before being allowed to enter the deep end.

## IV. Health and Safety

1. Standard Red Cross safety rules apply at all times. People with communicable diseases and open sores will be restricted from pool usage.
2. Only clean bodies are allowed in the pool. Use the shower prior to entering the pool if necessary.
3. The pools may be closed for operational, health, or safety reasons at the discretion of the pool Maintenance Company or Hedgerow Homeowners Association.
4. **Non-potty-trained children MUST wear a “swim diaper” with snug fitting plastic pants over the swim diaper. This is required according to the health department.** When children have accidents in the pool, the pool must be shut down for a period of 24 hours. Please let Nautix or the pool chair know immediately of any accidents.

## V. Hours of Operation

1. **Lifeguard on-duty hours are from 12 noon until 6PM Sunday through Thursday, and 12 noon until 8PM on Friday and Saturday.**
2. **When the lifeguards are off-duty, Swim at Your Own Risk hours apply. If a private pool party is scheduled during these times, please post a sign on the pool gate noting the hours.**
3. The pool main gate must be kept closed and locked at all times. Pool key cards may be obtained from a pool committee person. If your key card is lost, you must purchase a new one for \$25.
4. The pool is open 7am-11pm. No one is admitted into the common areas past these hours.

## VI. Members and Guests

1. The lifeguard will have a list of eligible Full Active Members and Seasonal Members in his/her possession.
2. One guest per family member will be allowed to use the pools and must be accompanied by the member. There will not be a guest fee imposed on local or out-of-town guests.
3. Non-participating Charter members, and Permanent members serving suspensions, are not eligible for access; neither as full active members nor as guests of full active members.

# Pool Rules continued

## VII. Parties

A pavilion may be reserved for private parties (the pavilion is private—not the pool). The following procedures apply:

1. The host must register the pavilion reservation online. <https://www.reservemycourt.com>
2. After reserving the date with Hedgerow, please reserve lifeguard services for the party with Nautix via their website at <http://www.nautixpools.com>. Payment can be made through the Nautix website, or you may schedule the party by calling Nautix at 770-485-3672. Submit payment to Nautix as follows:

Nautix Lifegaurds & Maintenance, LLC.  
3595 Canton Road Suite A9, #120  
Marietta, GA 30066

**IMPORTANT:** Once you reserve your party on the Pool Party Calendar, it is your responsibility to coordinate payment and lifeguard arrangements with Nautix.

### Pool Party Rules:

1. Pool parties may be scheduled from 8:00am through 10:00pm. During lifeguard hours, no private parties can be scheduled, and all members of the community may use the facility.
2. One (1) lifeguard is sufficient for every 25 people estimated to be in attendance. One (1) additional lifeguard is required for any party involving teenagers, college-age people, or if alcohol is served at the covered area (No alcohol is permitted around the pool).
3. There will be NO Swim at Your Own Risk hours during a scheduled pool party. If there are members swimming when the lifeguard arrives to guard a party, he/she will ask the members to leave the pool until the party is over.
4. A pool party requires one adult chaperone per every 10 people under the age of 18 attending the party.
5. The host must be present at all times. It is also the responsibility of the host to make sure the pool and covered areas are clear of trash and debris (including balloons & strings) at the end of the party and before the lifeguard closes the pool.

### Hedgerow Pool Committee:

Cara Barron: Pool Chair  
[carabarron@comcast.net](mailto:carabarron@comcast.net)

Hayley Bradt: President

All can be reached via e-mail as follows: [contactthhoa@gmail.com](mailto:contactthhoa@gmail.com)

**During Lifeguard on Duty Hours Only**

Scan and e-mail completed forms directly to [carabarron@comcast.net](mailto:carabarron@comcast.net)

# Minor Swim Release



I hereby execute this Release on the date written below.

\_\_\_\_\_

Homeowner date

\_\_\_\_\_

Homeowner address

Please list your children and their ages that will participate in the age 12 and older swim without an accompanying adult while Lifeguard on Duty hours:

Emergency Contact # \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ age \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ age \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ age \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ age \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ age \_\_\_\_\_

# Pool Disclosure Acknowledgment



Please read, initial, and sign the following:

<div>____ / ____</div>	I hereby acknowledge that I have received a copy of the pool rules, and unaccompanied minor waiver agreement.
<div>____ / ____</div>	I hereby acknowledge that I have received the minor release form, and understand that no children under 18 may enter the pool area without an adult if no lifeguard is on duty.
<div>____ / ____</div>	I hereby acknowledge that any misuse of the pool and commons area, at the full discretion of the Hedge-row Board, will result in the revoking the homeowner’s use of the facilities.
<div>____ / ____</div>	I hereby acknowledge the pool, tennis, playgrounds, pavilions, and scheduled events are solely for the use of active participating members of the community that have paid the dues in full.

\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of homeowner

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

\_\_\_\_\_

Homeowner address