



# Walnut Ridge

## Community Association



*Fall 2019*



### *Walnut Ridge Community Association*

**Bringing you Walnut Ridge News For Over 10 Years**

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#### **Reminder to Homeowners!**

**Your next quarterly  
association  
assessment payment is  
due October 1st**

#### **A Message from the President**

As everyone is aware, recently our privately owned roads (Hazel Nut, Almond, Tanook, and Peach) have been milled and repaved. Every effort was made to gain the maximum number of “Visitor” parking spaces as layout would allow. The amount of impervious or paved surface that our community has been allowed was dictated by the AACo Building Department and cannot be increased. It must remain as “Open Space” per the original approved plan for the development. Due to many suggestions made by community residents to increase our parking capability to accommodate those with more than two vehicles per household, the Board of Directors sought opinion from counsel. The response received confirmed our original understanding of the situation. Please be reminded that if there are more than two cars per household and the additional vehicle(s) is using a space devoted to “Visitor”, that owner is not only denying convenient parking for a legitimate visitor but may be subject to tow to an impound lot.

In closing, I would like to take this opportunity to express a special thank you to all the residents of Walnut Ridge for your patience, tolerance and grace during the recent road milling and repaving project. In spite of the inconvenience, neighbors graciously cooperated with the repair crews, took the disruptions in stride and the much-needed repairs were completed in as short of time as possible. Thanks to all for helping to make this project a success!

Edward M. Rose, President  
Walnut Ridge Community Association

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2019 Repaving Project





**Walnut Ridge  
Community Association  
Budget / Annual Meeting**

**Wednesday, November 7, 2019, 6:30 pm  
Broadneck Library**

**Tentative Budget Meeting Agenda**

1. 6:30 pm - Call to Order
2. 2020 Budget Presentation
3. Homeowner Forum / Questions
4. Executive Session
5. Board Motion / Board vote / Board Approval of 2020 Budget
6. Unfinished Business
7. Adjournment

**Tentative Annual Meeting Agenda**

1. Call to Order
2. Verification of Quorum
3. Proof of Annual Notice Mailing
4. Review of Prior Annual Meeting Minutes
5. Report of Officers
6. Elections
7. New Business (open forum, homeowner comments)
8. Adjournment

**Open Space and Common Areas**

The Community's Open Space and Common Areas are for the use of all residents. Parents please encourage your children to take their toys, bikes and sporting equipment home with them when they are finished playing.

**Board of Directors**

The Board of Directors of Walnut Ridge Community Association consists of homeowners who volunteer their time to serve Walnut Ridge.

Contact the Board by email at:  
**[board@walnutridgeonline.org](mailto:board@walnutridgeonline.org)**

**Officers**

President: Ed Rose  
Vice President: Laura Richardson  
Secretary: Gloria Petit-Clair  
Treasurer: Peter Giguere, CPA

**Member at Large**  
Rich Dugan

**Property Management**

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[TJames@procomgt.com](mailto:TJames@procomgt.com)  
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**Association Assessments are due on:**

**January 1st  
April 1st  
July 1st  
October 1st**



*Walnut Ridge - A Great Place to Call Home!*



**Cape St. Claire Volunteer  
Fire Department Fire  
Prevention Open House!**  
**Saturday, October 12th**  
**10 am - 2 pm**

Stop by for a fun filled day of learning about fire prevention, discovering ways to stay safe in your home, exploring your neighborhood firehouse, meeting members and finding out how you can become involved and lots more! Several new items to check out this year! Marshall from Paw Patrol will be in attendance. Donations gladly welcomed!

**Does Your Home Have Curb Appeal?**

Curb appeal is the look and feel you get from the outward appearance of your home. It's also a first impression as to what our community is all about. Our front yard should complement our home, not detract from or compete with it. Simple things to do to maintain that special curb appeal of your home are keeping your grass mowed and weeded and your leaves raked, making sure your lawn is clear of bikes, toys, gardening tools, flyers and other clutter, and keeping your trash and recycle containers out of sight.



Daylight Saving Time ends  
at 2:00 am on Sunday,  
November 3rd  
Remember to turn back  
your clocks!



***PLEASE! PICK UP THE POOP!***

There have been recent sightings in the community of some residents not picking up after their dog, either on the community property or on their own lawn!

Did you know that an estimated 1.3 million dogs live, play and poop in Maryland, and that picking up after your dog's waste is important for your health, the health of your pet and the environment?

Pet waste carries bacteria, viruses, and parasites that can make people sick, especially children. Dog poop left on the ground does not fertilize the ground or just magically disappear. It is picked up by storm water runoff, ultimately entering our local waterways. This water is not treated or cleaned before it enters the creeks and rivers, so pet waste is a significant contributor to water pollution. Such waste contaminates our waters with disease-causing bacteria and parasites, potentially making the water unfit for swimming or other recreational activities.

The simple act of picking up after your dog by "scooping the poop" can assist in removing harmful nutrients and bacteria from local waterways and the Chesapeake Bay, keep our citizens healthy and our yards *and* shoes clean.

There are several Pet Stations located throughout Walnut Ridge. PLEASE USE THEM!



**SCOOP**  
the **POOP**

## NEWS FROM THE BOARD

- During the week of July 22-26, 2019, Chamberlain Contractors performed the milling and repavement of the community-owned streets and parking areas. Streets were relined and speed bumps reinstalled.
- The Board received approximately 8 A&E requests since the Summer 2019 newsletter publication.
- Pre-Inspection notices for exterior property inspections were mailed on July 26, 2019. CIS performed the exterior inspections during the month of August.
- The Board continues to seek proposals for playground repairs/enhancements and are currently looking into the replacement of our street lights.



## Friendly Reminders

### CHANGE your clock,

CHANGE your  
batteries.



### Pick Up The Poop!



If the can is full, take  
your bag home, don't  
leave it!

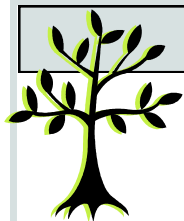
### Trash and Recycling

Out after 6:00 pm on  
Monday Nights



### Visitor Parking Spaces

Visitor parking  
spaces are for  
visitors!! If  
you are a resi-  
dent, please do  
not park in the  
Visitor Parking  
Spaces!



## Contact Us

If you have a request, idea or an issue you'd like to bring before the Board of Directors, please put it in writing. Send email to [board@walnutridgeonline.org](mailto:board@walnutridgeonline.org) and also to our manager Tamara James at [TJames@procomgt.com](mailto:TJames@procomgt.com), or send by snail mail to Walnut Ridge Community Association, Inc., c/o Professional Community Management, Inc., 400 Serendipity Drive, Millersville, MD 21108.



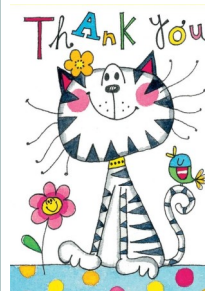
### Halloween Riddle

Question: What do you use to  
mend a jack-o-lantern?

Answer: A pumpkin patch.



### Special Thanks



The Editor would like to thank the following Walnut Ridge friends who give of their time in order to bring you the Walnut Ridge Newsletter: Ed Rose, Joey Schneider and children, Jim Brady, and of course, "The Wanderer."

## Halloween Word Search



Werewolf	Witch	Goblin
Spooky	Eerie	Treat
Trick	Ghastly	Magic
Scarecrow	Haunted	Mummy
Corn	Vampire	Hayride
Ghost	Pumpkin	Broomstick
Bat	Zombie	Monster
Coffin	October	Candy

## 2020 CENSUS

In preparation for the 2020 Census, from August 4 through October 18, the US Census Bureau will be conducting Address Canvassing Operations. The Census Bureau has hired people from the surrounding communities to confirm the location of houses, apartments, shelters and other places where people could live or stay. The purpose of Address Canvassing is to ensure the Census Bureau Address List is accurate and complete for the 2020 Census.

How will you recognize these Census employees? Canvassers will always have an official government badge with photo ID, an official bag and an official laptop with the 2020 Census logo.

If you still have questions about their identity, you can call [800-923-8282](tel:800-923-8282) to speak with a local Census Bureau representative.



## DID YOU KNOW....

That our *Community Documents* are available on our website? Visit [www.walnutridgeonline.org](http://www.walnutridgeonline.org) and click on Documents.







## Broadneck Community Library Happenings!

**Broadneck Branch** - 1275 Green Holly Road, Annapolis, Maryland 21409 (410.222.1905) **Hours:** Monday through Thursday: 9 am to 9 pm, Friday and Saturday: 9 am to 5 pm.

### Games For All Ages

**Halloween Bingo.** *Monday, October 28 at 6:30 pm.*

**Pokemon Club.** *Saturdays, September 28 and November 23 at 2 pm.*

**Star Trek Escape Room.** *Wednesday, October 23 at 7 pm.* Celebrate Star Trek by exploring the final frontier. Registration required and begins two weeks before the program. **For Tweens & Teens**



**Money Management—Financial Planning for Generations X and Y.** *Thursday, October 3 at 7 pm.* Financial planner William Hufnell and attorney Kevin Burke will provide tips on financial mistakes to avoid and opportunity for success.

**Sensory Safari.** *Saturday October 26 at 10 am.* Learn about your five senses and discover how animals use their senses to survive. *Sponsor: Maryland Zoo.*



**Paws to Read.** *Saturdays, October 12 and November 9 from 1 to 3 pm.* Children in elementary school improve reading skills with the rapt attention of canine tutors. *Sponsors: Therapy Dogs International, Pets on Wheels and Caring Canines.*



**Bilingual Storytime.** *Tuesday, October 1 at 9:30 and 10:30 am/Martes, 1 de octubre a las 9:30 y 10:30 am.* Young children will enjoy stories, songs, rhymes and activities while building ready to read skills in English and Spanish.

### Discoveries: The Library at the (Annapolis) Mall

#### \* Special Events for Preschoolers

**Preschool Dance Party.** *Friday, October 4 at 10:30 am.* Jump up, turn around, clap your hands and stomp around at this high energy preschool palooza.

**Monster Mayhem.** *Friday, October 11 at 10:30 am.* Hear some stories about friendly monsters and make a new monster friend to take home!

#### \* Special Events for Tweens & Teens (Registration for these events required and begins two weeks before the program. (410-222-0133).

**Tie-Dye Today!** *Saturday, October 5 at 2 pm.* Experiment with the solubility of permanent markers and create your own tie-dye inspired bandana.

**Teen Indoor Recess.** *Friday, November 15 from 6 to 8 pm.* After hours social with games and food! Stop by Discoveries to sign-up and get the required permission slip.

#### \* Special Events for Adults

**Write In Wednesdays!** *Wednesday, November 6, 13 and 20 at 6 pm.* Are you writing your novel? Meet up with other writers and get it written at the library! We have Wi-Fi, outlets and will provide light refreshments.

*GOOD NEIGHBORS MAKE GOOD NEIGHBORHOODS*

## A Word From The Walnut Ridge Wanderer

*The Walnut Ridge Wanderer reports on various observations around the community. To preserve anonymity, the identity and gender of the Wanderer will not be revealed. (However, I will say that this Editor is not the Wanderer.)*

### Lesson - The First Day of School

Love the sounds of kid's voices in the playground  
Bundles of energy with in new clothes, new backpacks and lunch boxes  
Waiting for the bus to come up to the cul-de-sac.

Older girls waiting to meet up with friends.  
Younger kids running off energy in the playground  
While they wait for the big yellow bus.

Lessons to be learned this morning;  
When to get to the bus stop and when will the bus will actually arrive?  
How long does it take to run for the bus from the swing set?

Getting a last few minutes on the swing set.  
Working off first day energy.  
Climbing, balancing and swinging.

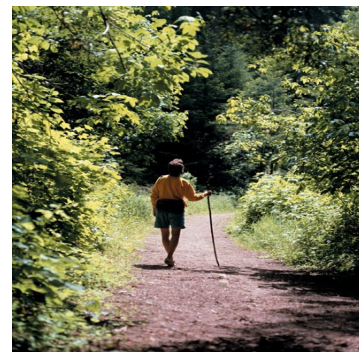
Swinging in the summer is easy to hop on and off.  
Swinging while wearing your new school gear, is challenging.  
And so, there was a moment of drama as the bus pulled into the cul-de-sac.

Kids jumping off the swing and running,  
Except for the kid wearing his backpack.  
Because he had managed to ride the swing side-ways.

With a leg on each side of the seat, feet barely touching the ground,  
Backpack catching on the chains,  
Struggling to release his backpack from the chains.

Panicking as the children boarded the bus. "Help!"  
Mom racing down the hill; struggling with the backpack,  
Freeing him to race up the hill and board the bus.

Mom cheering as the bus pulled away.  
Will he remember to say "Thanks?"  
Lesson learned: Take off your backpack before using the play equipment.





### IMPORTANT NUMBERS

AA County—Main Number.....	410-222-7000
AA County <b>FIRE—EMERGENCY</b> .....	911
AA County <b>Fire</b> —Non-Emergency.....	410-222-8300
AA County <b>POLICE—EMERGENCY</b> .....	911
AA County <b>Police</b> —Non-Emergency .....	410-222-8050
AA County Health Nuisance Complaints .....	410-222-7364
AA County Department of Aging.....	410-222-4464
AA County Department of Public Works .....	410-222-7940
AA County Department of Public Works/Waste Management .....	410-222-6100
Animal Control ( <b>Animal Complaints</b> : Strays, Barking, etc.).....	410-222-8900
Annapolis City <b>POLICE</b> .....	410-268-9000
Anne Arundel Medical Center ( <b>HOSPITAL</b> ).....	443-481-1000
BGE—All Calls .....	800-685-0123
<b>BGE—Report Power Outage</b> .....	877-778-2222
Broadneck Library .....	410-222-1905
Broadstripe Cable (formerly Millennium) .....	410-987-9300
Bulk Item/Waste Removal .....	410-222-6100
Cable—Broadstripe (formerly Millennium) .....	410-987-9300
Cable—Comcast Cable (Xfinity).....	800-934-6489
Cape St. Claire Volunteer <b>Fire</b> Department .....	410-757-3434
Comcast Cable .....	800-266-2278
CT Utilities (see Old Line Utility or Rudder Management)	
Department of Public Works.....	410-222-7940
Department of Public Works/Waste Management.....	410-222-6100
Environmental Health .....	410-222-7364
<b>Health Nuisance Complaints</b> .....	410-222-7364
<b>J&amp;W Utilities</b> .....	410-827-8516
Management Company .....	410-721-0777
<b>Maryland State Police</b> Headquarters .....	410-653-4200
Old Line Utility c/o Rudder Management .....	410-647-7929
Post Office—Legion Avenue.....	410-573-0953
<b>Poison Control</b> .....	800-492-2414
Professional Community Management (ProCom).....	410-721-0777
Recycling & Yard Waste .....	410-222-6100
<b>Rudder Management, Inc.</b> .....	410-647-7929
Salvation Army (Donated Items Pickup) .....	800-728-7825
Top Notch Towing .....	410-224-4808
Trash Pickup Problems .....	410-222-6104
Water and Sewer Bills.....	410-222-1144
<b>Water &amp; Sewer Emergencies</b> (no water).....	410-222-8400
Xfinity (Comcast) Cable .....	800-934-6489