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Holly Tree Plantation Homeowners Association
Annual Meeting

Oct 19th 7-9pm

Country Club Ballroom



Please come, sign up to volunteer and socialize
with your neighbors.



Beverages to
be served



TRICK OR TREAT

WILL BE HELD ON

OCTOBER 31ST



BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE REPORT

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Entrances & Common Areas

Fall Plantings are always completed the first of October. Country Boys suggested using violas rather than the colossal pansies for our entrance beds. The large pansies had a difficult blooming throughout the winter season. Biolawn will be planting the violas and accent plants and maintaining them through the fall and winter.

Camelot had new irrigation installed in August by Matt Hazel. Earth Graphics created a landscape design for Camelot's back island. Biolawn will help the design come to life. Camelot's back island will be completed with the fall plantings.

Hanging of the Greens: Nov 21st 2pm

The Holiday Season will be upon us soon. Last year HTPHOA hosted the first hanging of the Greens. A small group of residents came together to service our community during a busy time of year for everyone. We would love to grow this event. It is a great opportunity for Holly Tree residents to meet neighbors and strengthen the bonds within the community. Most of all, we make our community beautiful in the process. Sunday November 21st at 2pm, we will meet in the green space beside the Holly Tree pool for refreshments and split up into groups.

Come join us! We would love to have residents from every part of the community and every age group. Students always need service hours. What a great way to serve your community and enjoy the rewards throughout the holiday season! RSVP to beaut@myhollytree.com by November 19th.

In the days before Hanging of the Greens, volunteers will also be helpful in preparing the garland, wreaths, and extension cords. We will also prepare for refreshments and beverages. If you cannot join us on the 21st, volunteer before the event. Please email Jennifer Paradis beaut@myhollytree.com. Hanging of the Greens rain date will be Sunday November 28th at 2pm.

Curb Appeal

Holly Tree residents show great pride in their curb appeal. Neighbors notice when they are out for an afternoon stroll or driving through the neighborhood. We thank these residents for keeping our community beautiful. Here are curb appeal tips from Better Home and Gardens.

Quick day projects that make a big impact are adding new house numbers, improve the entryway with a new lockset, or add an ornamental light fixture. All of these items will add style elements without breaking the bank.

Another trick to adding to curb appeal is exterior lights. Exterior lighting sets the stage for transforming the house from day to night while adding safety and security. Solar fixtures are a great way to accomplish this effect without wiring. Fixtures can add accent lights to trees, the house, or a pathway.

Spotlight: Violas

Viola is a genus of flowering plants in the violet family Violaceae with 450-500 species worldwide. Most species are found in temperate Northern Hemisphere and commonly called violets, pansies, or heartsease. Violas are loved by gardeners for their neat, heart-shaped, small flowers and when planted in bedding areas they create vibrant color. Enjoy the violas at the Holly Tree entrances throughout the Fall and Winter.



Your Holly Tree Plantation web site at <http://www.myhollytree.com> contains lots of useful information, including:

- * Real estate transactions/homes for sale
- * Directory update
- * Residents Inquiry / Action Request
- * Phone numbers for several county and state offices, including Highway Patrol, SLED, and Poison Control
- * Phone numbers for Piedmont Natural Gas and Laurens Electric Cooperative
- * Architectural change application
- * Issues / Comments form
- * Holly Tree Covenants

HOME MAINTENANCE AND PROPERTY VALUES

As a realtor in today's challenging real estate market, I'd like to share with you some observations concerning home maintenance and marketability. Even if you are not actively considering selling your property, you should be aware of the impact home maintenance has on the value of your home. In our neighborhood of over 500 homes, each home that sells affects the worth of their neighbor's home. The comparable market value is determined by using the sold price and the number of days on the market, among other factors. We all know that a home is worth less if it is not maintained and a potential buyer may still purchase it, but at a reduced price.

So with this in mind, please let me pass along some general hints and tips that may help remind you of ways to improve the appearance of your home and yard.

The curb appeal of your home encompasses many details of your property. If you took a photo of your home from across the street what would you see that you look past everyday? Weeds growing from the cracks in the street and down the driveway, dirty crooked mailboxes, overgrown flowerbeds, vegetation growing in the gutters and on and on? Often negatives can be remedied inexpensively and with little effort; it's amazing what a can of weed killer and a tube of silicone caulk can do.



Here are general life spans on several key components of your home's exterior. The paint is usually 5-10 yrs, roof 13-15 yrs and wood decking/staining 4-7 yrs. An inspection of these areas might turn up some preventive measures that could save money and extensive repairs.

Roof and gutter inspection can head off costly emergency repairs that may be needed during the winter. Look for flashing and mortar damage around the chimney. Eliminate stains and plant matter by cleaning. Keep gutters free of debris to eliminate diverting water from backing up onto roof and shingles. Call a professional with the right tools to do the job.

Trim back trees, shrubs and vegetation. Scan your property for damaged limbs or dead branches. Your home insurance policy is very definite about the coverage of damage caused by dead/dying trees.

The landscaping around your home is an obvious focal point for your property and can be maintained with as little or as much effort and resources as you choose to commit. Colorful foliage or pots of seasonal plants can add an immediate impact to your flowerbed, yard or porch.



Your HTHOA dedicates funds and volunteer hours to ensure the curb appeal of our entrances will portray our pride of ownership. We hope you will do your part to show your pride of ownership as well and continue making Holly Tree a great community to call home!

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2010 Calendar

Oct 19th: Annual Homeowners Meeting
 Dec 2nd : HTPHOA Board Meeting

Board meetings are usually held at 7 PM at the Holly Tree Country Club;
 please verify the location by visiting our website, www.myhollytree.com



Why Microchip?

Each year, twenty thousand lost and abandoned animals are taken in by Greenville County Animal Care Services. Some of these animals never make it home because they can't be identified.

Microchipping offers pet owners the only truly permanent method of identifying your pet and linking the animal back to you, the owner. Collar tags can break or become unreadable and tattooing can become illegible. So, if you want to improve your pet's chances of getting home fast and safe in case it were to go missing, microchipping is your best option.

4 Reasons to Microchip Your Pet

- Only true permanent method of pet identification
- Best chance of your pet returning to you after going missing
- Quick and painless procedure, similar to vaccination
- Lasts for the lifetime of your pet

Where can I get my pet microchipped and how much does it cost?

Greenville County Animal Care Services can microchip your dog or cat for only \$10. Walk-Ins are welcome at our animal care facility, located at 328 Furman Hall Road. Be sure to enter building "C" (animal intake/receiving entrance) for \$10 microchipping services.

FIRE SAFETY TIPS

- ** **Never** discard hot ashes inside or near the home. Place them in a metal container outside and well away from the house.
- ** **Never** use a range or an oven as a supplemental heating device. Not only is it a safety hazard, it can also be a source of potentially toxic fumes
- ** **If** you use an electric heater, be sure not to overload the circuit; use extension cords with the required, or higher, rating to handle the load

PLEASE SEE LEAF BURNING PROHIBITION ON PAGE 9: COVENANTS COMMITTEE REPORT

Greenville Woodworkers Guild moves to Mauldin

I have lived in Holly Tree, in the same house, for 25 years. Seven years ago, I retired from Michelin, after 35 years of service. Upon retirement, I sought other activities in which to spend my time. One of those activities was woodworking. I had heard about the Greenville Woodworkers Guild, and had an interest in wood, so I thought this would be a good match. I was right.

The Guild is an organization of about 650 members. The purposes of the Guild, according to their website www.greenvillewoodworkers.com, are to help their members become better woodworkers, to elevate public knowledge of woodworking as an art, and to help charitable causes through our woodworking skills. All are noble causes.

It had been a dream of the Guild to have their own woodworking shop. About a year after I joined, this dream became a reality, as a building on Poinsett Highway became available. So we moved in.

The existence of a Shop caused membership to grow rapidly (dues are only \$75 per year), and our charitable project output to increase.

Recently, we have been blessed again, as a bigger, better facility became available. This new building happens to be located near the geographical center of our membership. It is at 209 Hollyridge Court in Mauldin, in the old Christmas Shop/Newell's Pools building, off W Butler Road, between the library and the driving range. It is a 24,000 square foot building, with a smaller 3,000 sf building behind it.

There is ample parking, and it is big enough inside to contain not only the machines for our shop, but also a library, lathe training room, multi-purpose room, hand-tool room, project and lumber storage areas, and hopefully we will eventually be able to conduct our monthly meetings there, for which we can have 200 or more attendees.

The city of Mauldin has eased the way for us, and we are happy, and very fortunate, to be in our new location.

Additional information about the Guild, including photos of some of their projects, meeting schedule, membership details, and other interesting information is available on the website, greenvillewoodworkers.com.

This photo is of the new Guild location off W. Butler Road at 209 Holly Ridge Court

Bill Brett

(Editor' note: Bill Brett is responsible for the Guild website, which is one of the most informative I have ever seen. Check it out!

Norton Cater)





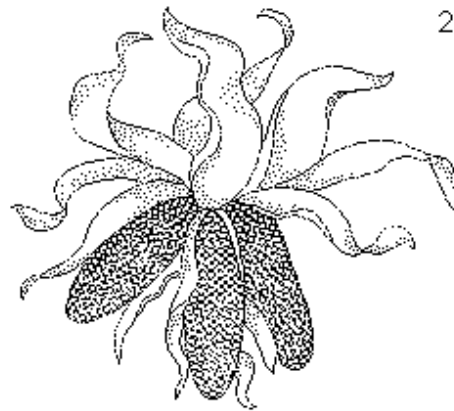
Halloween & Holidays Decorating Contest

Once again this year there will be a contest on the most creative Halloween and Holidays home decorations. A first place prize will be given for the Best Halloween design, for the Best Traditional Holiday design, and for the Most Extravagant Holiday Lights show.

The winners will get dinner for two @ the Holly Tree Country Club!
 Honorable Mention will be awarded for the second and third place winners in each category



Thanksgiving Word Search



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 CORN
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 PUMPKIN
 SAIL
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Recipe - Traditional British - Roast Beef with Yorkshire Pudding

In the 50's and 60's, Vincent Price and wife Mary were not only famous actors and art collectors, but also accomplished chefs and connoisseurs. Their travels led them to collect recipes from famous restaurants all over the globe culminating in the publishing of a cookbook, The Treasury of Great Recipes. The book features about 60 international restaurants showing their menus and recipes for 'specialties of the house'. With a 1965 publishing, it is interesting to see the then current menu prices.

Roast Beef and Yorkshire Pudding recipes are from a London West Street restaurant, The Ivy.

Roast Beef

1. Start with a standing rib roast of 2 ribs or so, about 6 pounds at room temperature for 3 hours.
2. Rub with onion, garlic and pepper, but no salt. Preheat oven to 525 degrees F, very hot!
3. Stand roast, fat side up, on a rack in a shallow roasting pan. Place in very hot oven, then lower the temperature to 350 degrees F. Keep the oven door closed and cook 16 minutes per pound for rare and 22 minutes per pound for medium. Well-done is not an option.
4. When cooked allow a rest time of 20 minutes. This will result in a pink spongy/tender meat with no running juices.

Yorkshire Pudding

1. Have all ingredients at room temperature. Sift together 7/8 cup flour and 1/2 teaspoon salt. Then add 1/2 cup milk while stirring until smooth.
2. Beat 2 eggs until fluffy and pale yellow. Add eggs, 1/2 cup of water and the flour mixture to a blender. Blend for about 20 seconds until the batter bubbles. Allow a rest of at least 1 hour. Blend again to create the bubbles just before baking.
3. Preheat oven to 400 degrees F. Using a muffin pan, pour about 1/4 inch of beef drippings and/or butter in each cavity. Preheat the pan in the oven until fat is smoking hot.
4. Pour in the batter while the fat is hot and bake in the hot oven for 20 minutes. Reduce oven temperature to 350 degrees F and continue baking for 15 minutes. This will result in a hollow muffin-shaped biscuit.

Serve roast on a hot platter surrounded by Yorkshire pudding. Pass the gravy and prepared horseradish

Submitted by Buck Barber

STREETLIGHTS CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Nothing to report as far as street lights goes. We still have 100 lights in Holly Tree subdivision; no one has contacted me for any repairs, so we are all quiet on that part. Holly Tree owns the distinctive street signs and street lights, and replacement is costly; if you see one that needs repair, please tell me so that we can try repairing it and avoid the more expensive replacement

Tom Jones, Street Lights Chairman

KUDOS: To the neighbors who cleaned up the yard and street at 109 Pecan Hill Drive; there is still work to be done in and around this vacant property, but these folks deserve our thanks for their imitative!!

And, kudos to Arthur Slayton for passing on this good deed!

YARD SALE PHOTOS

Our thanks to Liliana deAngeli, our 2nd VP, for her continuing work with the Holly Tree Yard Sale, and to the willing helpers shown below who provided publicity! Keep up the good work!!



Bravo-One Protective Services

is operated by Mike Babson. To reach Mike, please call Dispatch at

864-213-7403

If there is no answer, please call Kayla at the alternate number

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If the alternate number is unavailable, please call

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COVENANTS COMMITTEE

REPORT

Leaves / Trash Burning

Per Article 2.1 of our Covenants, the burning of trash, leaves, clippings or other debris is not permitted. From time to time, some of our residents either forget it or are not aware of it. Therefore, look on this as a friendly reminder: the Covenant was put in place for the safety of the residents. Holly Tree is very wooded and surrounds a lovely golf course; fires can get out of control very quickly and lead to significant damage.

Please contact your garbage hauler to arrange leaf and yard waste pick up. Also, please note that if you have access to a truck, yard waste can still be dumped for free by a resident at the Enoree Landfill on Anderson Ridge Road.

NEW HOMEOWNERS

Holly Tree welcomes several new residents:

Ken & Shelley Meadows - 302 Eastcrest Drive

Donald Barrett - 101 Holly Hill Lane

Matthew & Laurie Junko - 208 Holly Park Lane

Ann Leinwebet - 102 Maple Wind Lane

Jeffrey Wilson - 206 Mornington Court

Courtney & Linda Miller - 719 Plantation

We're so glad you're here with us!

Gay White

Welcoming Committee

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SPECIAL NOTICE

Many thanks to those who have decided to take advantage of email and receive the Holly Tree newsletter in soft copy rather than hard.

For those who need a printed version, are still uncertain and would like to "try before you buy," if you would send an email to welcome@myhollytree.com I'll send you a copy of the current newsletter for you to print at home. If it works great! We'll add you to the list and save even more Association printing and mailing expense next time!

Gay White, Welcoming Committee