Winter 2023

# THE SWEET BRIAR QUARTERLY

The Official Newsletter from your POA

## **UPCOMING DATES**

- Feb TBD: New POA management software program launch
- Feb 25: Rental Restriction Drive-by voting
- Feb 28: Mail out annual assessments \$450.00
- Mar 31: Annual Assessments Due
- Feb/Mar TBD: Resurfacing of the pool house bathroom



## NEIGHBORHOOD HIGHLIGHTS

- The Board has been working hard behind the scenes this winter selecting a new management software program. This will become the neighborhood hub for all of your association needs. Each home will have its own portal and when you log in, you will be able to see a variety of features. You will be able to pay your annual assessments, request architectural changes, view violations, and review our bylaws and restrictions. We will also be able to send out texts for pool closures over the summer. In the future we will also be able to have secure, digital voting. Once we are closer to launching, we will keep you posted on how to join!
- The pool house bathrooms are getting a little update. We will be resurfacing the floors with a polyurea, slip resistant floor. This will be a great addition to keeping our neighbors safe.
- The 2023 Fishers neighborhood vibrancy grant has been submitted and we should hear back from the city by the beginning of April. We will use the funds to go towards the continuation of the walking path repavement in the park.



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#### RENTAL RESTRICTIONS & VOTING QUROM

In February, we will email the 2nd draft of the rental restrictions with a few changes from the survey results. Then, on February 25, we will put up a tent in the park to offer drive-by voting to make it easier for you to swing by and cast your vote. What we don't capture that weekend, we will stop by your house and get your vote going door-to-door.

We will vote for the rental restrictions and a reduction of the overall voting quorum. Stay tuned for more details!

## 2023 ASSESSMENTS

By February 28th, we will be mailing the annual assessment letters. For 2023, your annual assessment will be \$450.00 and is due by March 31st. The increase in assessments will help cover the costs of inflation with the pool and grounds, additional tree removal on 131st Street, a reserve study, a management program for the neighborhood, and saving for new playground equipment. You can review the budget on our website under 2022 Meeting.

## PARK NEWS

There have been a number of recent complaints regarding dogs in the park, without a leash. While this is not a POA matter. we would like to remind everyone that the City requires dogs to be on a leash at all times in public areas. This is for everyone's safety.

Our neighbor, Colby Brand keeps our neighborhood looking beautiful and we want to thank him for everything he does to keep Sweet Briar sharp. We appreciate you, Colby!

### **A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Hello Neighbors!

Happy New Year to you and your family!

2023 is already shaping up to be an exciting year. I can't wait for warmer temps and the flowers to start showing us all their beauty. In the meantime, I am reflecting on the last year in this role as the president of our POA. Volunteering for this position has been an eye-opening experience. I have learned about the thickness of asphalt and how that impacts the cost of a walking path, or learned to read bylaws and restrictions through the lense of a lawyer, and spent MANY hours reviewing contracts and excel spreadsheets. I now understand why most neighborhoods use management companies, y'all this is a J-O-B! I have met so many more neighbors and formed new friendships and that has been an unexpected reward. The other Board members have been welcoming, supportive, and great to work with. We all come to the table with a wide variety of thoughts and ideas and have pushed me in a way I have never experienced. I am ready for this new year, a little more prepared, and mainly thankful for this Sweet little neighborhood of ours.

#### BOARD MEMBERS

President: Julie Kane Vice President: Loree Marroquin Secretary: Jerica Hernandez **Treasurer: Sherry Taulbee** 

#### **KEEP IN** TOUCH

To keep up on the latest happenings, send us your current email address!

Cheers to 2023! -Julie

WEET BRIAR EVENT	ſS	YEAR:2023
JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
19 POA EXECUTIVE MEETING WINTER NEWSLETTER	09 POA EXECUTIVE MEETING 28 ASSESSMENT LETTERS WILL BE MAILED	09 POA EXECUTIVE MEETING 31 ASSESSMENTS DUE
APRIL	MAY	JUNE
I3 POA EXECUTIVE MEETING SPRING NEWSLETTER	05-06 SPRING GARAGE SALE 11 POA EXECUTIVE MEETING 27 POOL OPENS	08 POA EXECUTIVE MEETING
JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
13 POA EXECUTIVE MEETING ADULT POOL PARTY SUMMER NEWSLETTER	10 POA EXECUTIVE MEETING BACK TO SCHOOL PARTY?	05 POOL CLOSED FOR THE SEASON 14 POA ANNUAL MEMBER MEETING
OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
22 POA EXECUTIVE MEETING 28 FALL PARTY -COSTUME CONTEST & CHILI COOK-OFF FALL NEWSLETTER	09 POA EXECUTIVE MEETING	HOLIDAY DECORATING CONTEST