

Fall 2023

# THE SWEET BRIAR QUARTERLY

The Official Newsletter from your POA

## UPCOMING DATES

- November 11: Veterans Day
- November 23: Happy Thanksgiving!
- December: Neighborhood Lights Contest

## FALL FESTIVAL!



## ANNUAL OWNERS MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

2023 was a busy year Sweet Briar! Look at all we accomplished:

- Recipients of Fishers Beautification Grant 3rd year in a row totaling \$15,000.00 in funds!
- Resurfaced bathroom floors in pool house
- Replaced three new pool umbrellas & restrapped portions of 52 chairs.
- Cleaned up the canopy in the park and had dying trees removed.
- Resurfaced phase 2 of walking path
- Added a tulip tree to the park
- Launched Appfolio to manage our assessments and documentation.
- Updated our By-laws.
- Passed Rental Restrictions amendment.
- Conducted a reserve study & created projections for the next 10 years.
- Joined the Fishers HOA Alliance
- Updated our vice president role and responsibilities

2024 is going to be an even more exciting year:

- We are replacing the playground tentatively between May-July!
- Brennan Harvey is creating a disc golf practice course in the park for his Eagle Scout project.
- Continue the final phase of the repavement project including the pool house parking lot.
- Adding WIFI & a new security system to the pool house.
- Continue with pool chair restrapping
- Replace the sidewalk in front of the pool house.
- Reseal and restripe the basketball court.

Please check out our meeting notes on our website for all of the highlights!

## NEW BOARD MEMBER

We're thrilled to welcome Jonathan Jones to the POA! His dynamic vision, centered on new committees like Community Involvement and the Pool Committee, combined with strategic collaborations with the Park Committee, promises an exciting future for Sweet Briar.

Jonathan's boundless enthusiasm and dedication will invigorate our board, shaping a thriving community. Get ready for a brighter Sweet Briar with Jonathan on board!

## 2024 ASSESSMENTS

In February, our annual assessment letters for 2024 will be mailed. This year, your annual assessment amounts to \$495.00, and payments are expected by March 31st. This adjustment in assessments is essential to address rising costs due to inflation, primarily directed towards maintaining the pool, grounds, and our new playground equipment. Detailed information regarding the budget can be found on our website under the "2023 Meeting" section.

## EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT

This fall, our park is gearing up for an exciting addition, thanks to the initiative of Brock Marroquinn. He proposed the creation of a Disc Golf practice course to the Board, and the project gained momentum when Brennan Harvey stepped in to achieve his Eagle Scout award. We are thrilled to announce the installation of 3 to 4 Disc Golf baskets in the park. This collaborative effort highlights the spirit of community and youth leadership, promising a fantastic recreational enhancement for all to enjoy. The park is about to get even more engaging, all thanks to the vision and dedication of Brock and Brennan.



## PLAYGROUND PROJECT

Exciting changes are on the horizon for our community's playground! Our current playground equipment no longer meets commercial standards and is not up to code. To address this, we're planning to relocate the playground just south of its current location to ensure compliance with safety regulations.

The good news is that the City of Fishers has generously increased the beautification grant from \$5,000 to \$25,000 this year. If we secure this grant, we'll allocate the funds towards acquiring new playground equipment and completing the final phase of the walking path. Our vision for this project is to create a more inclusive playground for our neighbors, ensuring that it offers equipment accessible to everyone.

To make this project as community-driven as possible, we'll be sending out a survey in January, seeking input from our neighbors to understand their priorities.

Additionally, we're excited to involve the kids in the process with a design contest, encouraging them to share their creative ideas for the playground. This project represents a fantastic opportunity to enhance our community space, making it safer, more inclusive, and tailored to the desires of our residents. Stay tuned for more updates as we work together to make this project a reality!

