



HOLLY FOREST NEWS

A Newsletter for the Homeowners of Holly Forest in Sapphire Valley

A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT

If you're like me saying goodbye to 2020 was a great feeling! I always feel like spring is the time of new beginnings but until we can put COVID-19 in our rearview mirrors the new year of 2021 just seems like a replay of 2020. The housing market in the area is still RED HOT! We have many new homeowners/members in Holly Forest. If you're new to Holly Forest please don't forget to stop in our office on Cherokee Trail and make sure we have your current contact information. We need email, mailing address, and preferred phone number. While you are there the office staff can send you pertinent information about member "rules and regulations." Knowing what is right and proper in our association will make your new neighbors happy since you'll be "in the know" about how to treat your property, where you can park vehicles, and all other "do's and don't" for members.

Gym DeMoye, our road manager, has a very aggressive paving schedule starting as soon as the weather breaks. If your road is scheduled to be paved a new program is starting that will clean, repair, and or replace road signs. All culverts under the roads will be checked for needed repairs and treated as needed. This new process will assure that over a ten year period all those items will be repaired in a systematic approach before paving. High speed internet has been a long and winding road. I want to thank everyone that participated in our member survey. Currently we know what all of you want as we move forward. Some of you don't want any improvements and do not want to spend any money to improve our internet. Some would like a better internet but not pay anything to see an improvement. Some are willing to pay anything to get a quality, reliable, and fast connection. The Board in November appointed a new committee to review all the providers bids, look at what bids met the criteria that you have asked for, and continue to negotiate the best terms possible with the best bid to date. The committee is planning on presenting to the board in February their findings and making a recommendation. The Board will continue to keep all members informed as to the status of this project.

The new internet committee is also looking at a new Holly Forest website. One proposal has been reviewed and a second invitation to bid has been given to a local company representative. The Board is interested in the best quality web experience at the lowest possible cost. Hopefully Holly Forest will have a new website in the near future to help communicate with all of you with a place you can go to get answers and ask questions. Board meeting minutes, financials, rules and regulations, meeting dates, and contact information will all be available in one location!

I want to thank Capital Vacations staff for their continued working relationship with the Board and the members. You can reach them at 828-743-7667.

On behalf of the Board,
Jim Spain, President



Treasurer Report



Our dues collection rate through December 31, 2020 was 99.45% of budget and 87% of gross billings which is better than 2019. Unfortunately, the rain and COVID prevented us from completing most of our paving and infrastructure projects planned for 2020. Hopefully, we can complete more projects in 2021.

We increased 2021 dues 3.3% from \$692 to \$715 per lot primarily due to a substantial increase in paving costs. The paving contractors are quoting price increases as high as 37% plus the asphalt plants in Franklin and Toxaway have been sold and the new owners have increased the cost of asphalt.

Your Board appreciates your cooperation and participation in the management of Holly Forest. Please feel free to contact me with your questions and comments.

John Hill, Board Treasurer

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E-MAIL ADDRESSES

In order to provide timely and cost effective communication with owners, we ask that you please send your name and email address to Jennifer.gainey@capitalvacations.com. We will add you to our email distribution of Holly Forest newsletters, important documents and other communications. Your email address will be held confidentially and used for Management communications only.



Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

HOLLY FOREST BOARD OF DIRECTORS CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The 2021 Annual Meeting of the Holly Forest Association, Inc. will be held on August 5, 2021 in the Sapphire Room at the Sapphire Valley Community Center located at 207 Sapphire Valley Road, Sapphire, North Carolina.

There are four positions on the Board of Directors to be elected at this meeting as the terms of Jim Spain, John Hill, Richard Zacher, and Melissa McKinnon will expire at the meeting. All Board members will serve two-year terms. Any person who wishes to serve on the Board of Directors must be a current owner in good standing.

If you are interested in serving on the Holly Forest Board of Directors, please contact the resort office at (828) 743-7667 for a Board Candidate Application. **All applications must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 15, 2021.** This form will be approved by the Nominating Committee, after which the Committee will provide the names of the candidates they recommend to the Managing Agent. The approved candidate names will be included in the Annual Meeting Notice sent to all Association members in advance of the Annual Meeting.

Please send your completed Board Candidate Application, via regular mail or email to:

Holly Forest Nominating Committee
c/o Capital Vacations - Crystal Vereen
9654 N. Kings Hwy, Ste. 101
Myrtle Beach, SC 29572
Email: cvereen@capitalvacations.com

You may also hand in your application to the resort office located at 127-B Cherokee Trail, Sapphire, NC. To confirm receipt of your application, please contact Crystal Vereen via email at cvereen@capitalvacations.com.

BLUE RIDGE PUBLIC SAFETY



Have you filled out a residential notification form at the Blue Ridge Public Safety office? This form is of great assistance when officers are patrolling Holly Forest and allows the officers to make certain your property is safe and secure. It also allows the Public Safety dispatcher to contact you at the phone numbers you have listed on the form.

Contact Blue Ridge Public Safety at (828) 743-2199 to make sure your contact information is up to date.

PICKING UP AFTER PETS

For those who walk their dogs, please be courteous and always keep your dog on its leash, and always carry a baggie with you to pick up after your pet and then dispose of it properly.

Besides being unsightly and smelly, animal waste can be hazardous to the health of people and pets. By taking a few simple steps to clean up after your pet, you can contribute not only to the beautification of our community but also towards the elimination of an irritating nuisance.



Thank you for your cooperation!

Greetings to All from your Environmental Control Committee!

We strive to ensure that Holly Forest remains the natural environment it was when established many years ago. With new houses and necessary tree removal it becomes more difficult as the number of homes increase.

WE ASK YOUR HELP!

Be sure to contact the management office 828-743-7667 **BEFORE** you start making changes to your home such as roof replacement, painting, additions, cutting trees or any work that requires heavy material and/or equipment.

The ECC has established rules for these projects to keep Holly Forest's environment as natural as possible.

As much as we regret violations the ECC will assess fines if those rules are not abided by.

Help us keep Holly Forest beautiful!

Sincerely,
ECC Committee

Holly Forest Association 2021 Meeting Dates

Please note that all Board Meetings will be held at 4:30 p.m.
in the Community Center.

April 20th

May 18th

June 22nd

July 20th

August 5th (Annual Meeting 10am)

September 21st

October 13th



HOLLY FOREST ASSOCIATION, INC.
127-B Cherokee Trail
Sapphire, NC 28774

Professionally Managed By:



CLIP 'N SAVE DIRECTORY

Capital Vacations Mgmt Office	828-743-7667
Recreation Center	828-743-1171
Community Center	828-743-7663
Amenity Office	828-743-1163
Tennis Center	828-743-1181
Slopeside Tavern	828-743-8655
Blue Ridge Public Safety	828-743-2199
Sapphire Valley Racquet Club	828-743-1181
Fairfield Lake Boat Dock	828-743-1182
Red Bird Golf Links	828-743-1991
Sapphire National Golf Club	828-743-1174
Mica's Restaurant & Pub	828-743-5740
Sapphire Mountain Brewing Co.	828-743-0220
Sapphire Valley Print Shoppe	828-743-3681

**HOLLY FOREST ASSOCIATION
 BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

- Jim Spain**, President
- John Hill**, Treasurer
- Jim de Moya**, Director
- Dick Zacher**, Director
- Melissa McKinnon**, Director
- Donald Terrill**, Director
- John Daly**, Director

This newsletter by the Holly Forest Association is designed to inform property owners of the events and news of Holly Forest.

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