

Gallahan Acres Community Newsletter

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Hello Neighbors. Welcome to the last newsletter of the year.

In this issue, you'll find news, initiatives, accomplishments, dates, a Community Day update, a message from the President, a link to buying local goods, and pumpkin-picking tips.

Neighborhood News

We extend our heartfelt congratulations to **Nikki** on her promotion to Colonel and applaud her for this awesome achievement.

Happy Birthday to the HOA Board!

It was October 2020 when these homeowners stepped up to serve on our HOA Board. They have accomplished a lot over the past year with no increase in HOA fees so far in 2021. We thank them for all their tireless efforts to create a solid HOA infrastructure for our community.

If you have good news to share or want to submit an article, please drop us a line at

gallahanacresnews@gmail.com

Save the Dates!

November 9 King Gallahan Homeowners Association Meeting, 6:00 pm

December 7 KG HOA Budget Meeting, 6:00 pm

Ongoing HOA Initiatives

- Requesting criteria for becoming a gated community
- Researching the costs associated with a cover for the community mailbox
- Researching surveillance measures and security awareness signage for the community entrance
- Enhancing the landscaping at community entrance
- Coordinating with the County on lake maintenance
- Reviewing formal changes to Article 7, Section 7.2e regarding placement of trash and recycle cans
- Pricing the cost of solar lights for the playground
- Preparing for the audit of our HOA finances

3rd Quarter Accomplishment(s)

- Installed security barrier at the playground
- Accomplished community walkthrough

King Gallahan Homeowners Association

Board of Directors

President – Linda Ball **Vice President** – Chavone Tripp

Secretary – Tanya Miller-Harris

Treasurer - Phillip Anderson **Member at Large** – William Mitchell

Committee Leads Architecture: TBD

Covenant: TBD

Get Involved

Share info or submit an article to this quarterly newsletter.

Provide your input and participate in a committee.

Mail HOA Fees to:

King Gallahan Homeowners
Association
PO Box 1088
Clinton, MD 20735

Stay Connected email:

gallahanacreshoa@gmail.com website: kinggallahanhoa.org

Non-Emergency Dispatch Reporting

https://princegeorgescountym d.gov/3743/Non-Emergency-Dispatch-Request

A Message From the President

WELCOME FALL!

Fall represents something different for each one of us. Some find a spiritual connection with the season while others get sentimental over the memories. For some, it is the holidays that allow us to be whoever we want to be and eat whatever we want. However, we can agree that Fall is a season of transformation! The changing colors of the leaves suddenly bright and beautiful. Then those beautiful leaves gradually fall off and leave the trees bare. Yes, Fall is about change! Though each season may not be a season of growth, yet there is always a shift. How willing are we to open ourselves up and allow what needs to fall away, a shift or release to take place, so we can rekindle the fire within and find the balance that we need.

We are almost to the end of 2021, and the results may not have been what we hoped for. The pandemic has been tough. We have had losses and so much have changed in the way we go about our daily living. Give yourself permission to change lanes, shift gears, take inventory and refine what needs to be refined.

A change may be within yourself, job or lifestyle. A great start would be to own whatever space we are in. It may be a space where we are dealing with the loss of a loved one, an illness, a shift in our family dynamics, career, job, academics, COVID, loneliness, separation, depression, and/or health. Everything we need to move forward is already there. All we have to do is reach out!

Every moment, experience, circumstance, carries a message. Surrender everything that is paralyzing and embrace the beauty of Fall.

Fall is almost the perfect season because it has everything we want and need to end happily and begin again. Gallahan Acres, let us welcome the season of Fall together, and prepare for a bountiful harvest!

Linda Ball

Gallahan Acres Community Day Cookout

Saturday, October 30, 2021 (Rain date: November 6, 2021) 12:00 noon – 2:30 pm Gallahan Acres Playground and Picnic Area

Join us for this end of summer event. Every community member and their respective family members are warmly invited to meet some of your new neighbors and greet some of your neighbors that you have not seen in a while. There is no charge for this event. Prince George's County COVID restrictions are being honored.

Some menu items as follows:
Grill (hotdogs, chicken, hamburgers); baked beans, corn on the cob, coleslaw; pumpkin pie and more.

BUY Prince George's

What is it? It's a movement started in response to the COVID pandemic supporting our residents by keeping them home, and supporting our businesses by connecting them with County residents shopping for goods and services and wanting to support the local economy.

Join the Movement! https://www.pgcedc.com/buyprincegeorges

How to Pick the Perfect Pumpkin

A fresh pumpkin should be solid to the touch. Avoid ones that have soft spots or sunken areas, as decay has already set in. It should be strong enough to resist puncture. Just like a watermelon, the best pumpkin to pick has a deep hollow sound when you tap them. Selecting good quality produce will ensure that your autumn display will be long lasting. High quality pumpkins have a firm, hard rind and are generally rich orange in color.

Miller Farms Fall Family - 10140 Piscataway Road, Clinton, MD

October is absolutely one of the most exciting months for us because it brings with it the start of Miller Farms' wagon rides and Corn Maze Season!

Starting in October, come on out to Miller Farms and check out the fun we have planned for you. Please call ahead for times and dates for below (301-297-9370).

Our fall fun includes:

- A scenic wagon ride that passes by our lively community of scarecrow folk posed in all sorts of whacky, hilarious poses
- A tour through our barn area where you and your kids can meet our Barnyard Buddies!
- A visit to our famous pumpkin patch where you can select your own pumpkin. (Complimentary during a weekday visit ONLY for those who pay admission fee)
- An exciting trip through our Corn Maze, carefully designed with our younger Farm-goers in mind!
- A Cow Belly Bouncer where all ages can bounce around!

Community is much more than belonging to something; it's about doing something together that makes belonging matter.

-Brian Solis

Published quarterly, the next issue will be disseminated in January 2022. Forward submissions to <u>gallahanacresnews@gmail.com</u> by January 5th for approval by the Board. An email request will be sent to homeowners prior to the cutoff date. We welcome your input and feedback.