



ESL LEDGER

Fall 2020



President's Corner

Anyone else tired of the heat yet? I check my weather app several times a day to see if the two-week forecast is starting to change. How long will the 90-degree weather be here? Are we happy with 85 instead of 92? Fall is my family's favorite season. Lots of outdoor time, camping trips planning, and trying to navigate a very weird time in world history. For those with school age kids, virtual school is in full swing. For those with infants, balancing work, life, and a pandemic are also a challenge. For those whose children have left the nest, trying to make the most out of everyday can be fun yet challenging. Either way, we all do things in our own unique way. There is no right or wrong. Take some time this fall to get to know some of the new neighbors who have moved in. Make them feel at home. Bring them some cookies. Let them know about the best places to have pizza, wings, burgers, or ice cream. Our community is special, pandemic or not.

We have many activities going on currently in East Spring Lake. Many do not know this story, but at the end of the year last year, a guest of one of our residents caught a 40-pound American Paddlefish in the front lake. American Paddlefish are not

native to Georgia, and in fact, according to GA DNR, the only other time a paddlefish was caught in Georgia was on the Flint River in the early 90s. In communicating with the GA DNR, they were very interested in trying to capture and study the fish. Unfortunately, the fish died from unknown reasons. The DNR came out and collected the carcass with plans to study it to find out how it may have gotten in our lake. Additionally, you may have seen a few GA DNR boats on the lake in late August. They performed a shock survey to ensure no other paddlefish were in the lake. No other paddlefish were located and they informed us that the lake is in pretty good shape as it pertains to the fish population. I plan on installing some artificial structure systems into the lake to create more areas for fish to forage and grow. If you would like to help me, please do.

The Cobb DOT has finished with their paving project in our neighborhood. The process to get on the schedule was not easy and we have been working with the DOT for the past few years to make this happen. Our roads were not in good shape and it is certainly nice to have our roads once again in pristine condition.

The last item I want to address is a safety issue. There are a few residents consistently parking cars on the street. We ask that all cars be parked in a garage or driveway. If you have an extenuating circumstance where a vehicle will need to be parked on the street for more than a few days, please inform the board. Letters have and will continue to be sent out to repeat offenders. This is not a difficult ask and we appreciate your compliance in advance.

I hope everyone is staying safe and happy. Please continue to reach out to the board with anything on your mind. In closing, my phone is always on, my (virtual) deck is always open, and my beer is always cold.

Regards,

Mark Needle
President,
ESLHOA

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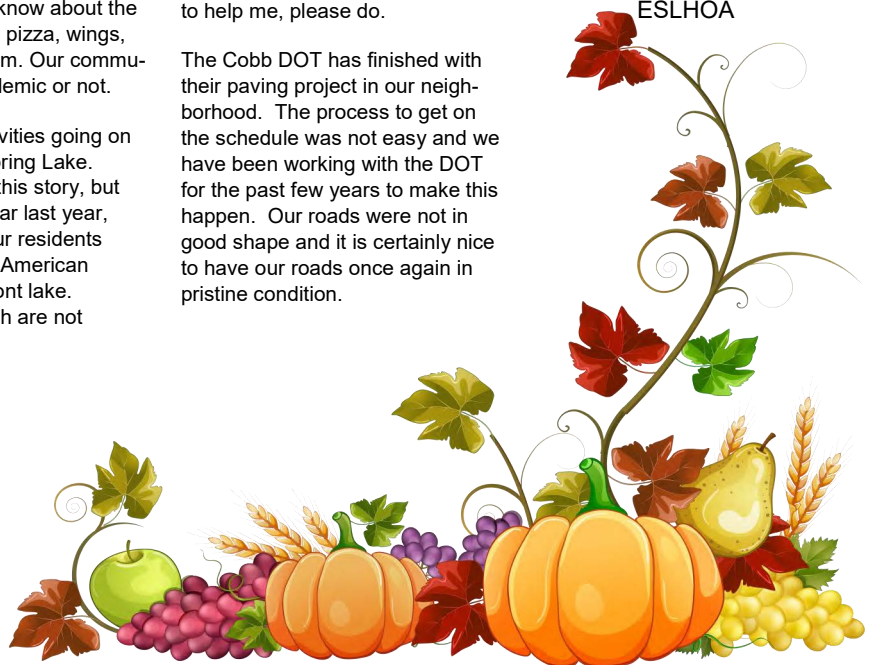
Reminder:

The ESL Special Assessment of \$400 is now due.

Please mail to:
East Spring Lake HOA
C/O
Homeside Properties, Inc.
P.O. Box 907
Commerce, GA 30529-0017

Additional payment options?
See Page 5.

Due Date: October 31st



ESL Special Assessment for 2019 Capital Improvements

Don't Miss the
DEADLINE!

Payment for 2019 Capital Improvements is now due.
Payment deadline: October 31, 2020

The following letter was recently mailed to all ESL residents explaining the 2019 Capital Improvement. Please note below details for this assessment.:

Dear East Spring Lake Homeowner,

At the Annual ESL Homeowners Meeting held on March 24, 2019, the HOA membership approved a special assessment of \$800 to be paid over the next two fiscal years. This assessment is to be split into two payments; \$400 to be collected in 2019 and \$400 to be collected in 2020. This two-year assessment will be used to fund the projects delineated by the revised capital assessment study completed in 2018 by Ray Engineering. **Some of the** projects discussed include:

- Perform remediation of the soil subsidence and cracking issues on the top tennis court
- A portion of the funds for the estimated cost of the pool resurfacing decking area slated for FY 2020/21.

For a full list of **projects slated for this year**, reference the meeting presentation posted on the East Spring Lake web site. All covenanted ESL residents are required to participate in this assessment, as defined in the 2002 covenant documents.

Final payment of \$400 must be received no later than October 31, 2020. Please allow three days for processing electronic payments and longer for checks. If you have any questions concerning this payment, please contact our Community Association Manager, Christy Barber, 678-248-8821, with Homeside Properties, Inc. or email her at cbarber@homesideproperties.com.

If you would like to pay electronically below are the instructions:

In order to access your account in TownSq, please go to <https://app.townsq.io/ais/sign-up> to register with your e-mail. You will use your name, zip code and account number to complete this process. Once logged in, you will be able to make online payments.

If you experience trouble registering, please contact TownSq support at 844-281-1728 or e-mail them at support@townsq.io.

Please note there is an administrative charge associated with payments on this website.

If you prefer to mail a check please mail your payment to:

East Spring Lake HOA
C/O Homeside Properties, Inc.
PO Box 907
Commerce, GA 30529-0017

What is TownSq and why do I need to register for it?

Homeside, our Property Management Company, is using TownSq to manage our homeowner accounts and payments. In the future, TownSq will be rolling out other features. If you plan on making a payment electronically via the community website offered by Homeside (echeck, debit card, credit card), or you want to view your transaction history, you need to register for [TownSq.io](https://townsq.io) access (yes that's a web address). There is no fee to register with TownSq.io, just follow the onboarding steps below.

To Register*:

Find your Homeside account number. If you can't find it, contact anyone at the Homeside Properties office, 678.297.9566. They can easily provide you this information by searching your address. Alternatively,

you can contact our community manager, Christy Barber, cbarber@homesideproperties.com.

Go to townsq.io, click on "Sign in Now", then "Need to Register"

Complete the short form, including account number, email address, and property zip code

You should receive an immediate welcome email confirming your registration. You will then be prompted to confirm registration via the email you receive.

*Note: For those who have been receiving TownSq announcement emails, you have been pre-registered – you simply need to visit townsq.io and select "forgot password", enter your email, and you'll be sent a reset password link to the email you provided.



To Pay:**

[Please read through all options, as fees are incurred with some payment methods**]

Mail Payments via Postal Mail – No change to the process, *no fee incurred*. Mail your payment to: East Spring Lake HOA, c/o Homeside Properties, PO Box 907, Commerce, GA 30529-0017. Allow 7-10 days transit time.

Bank Online Bill Pay – No change to the process, *no fee incurred*. Direct your bank to mail payment to: East Spring Lake HOA, c/o Homeside Properties, PO Box 907, Commerce, GA 30529-0017. Allow 7-10 days transit time.

Office Drop off payments – No change to the process, *no fee incurred*, Homeside Properties, 2555 Westside Parkway, Suite 600, Alpharetta, GA 30004

Community Website one-time E-Check Payment** – Submit payments through TownSq.io website or mobile app. *No transaction fee through March 30, 2020, thereafter \$2.95/per transaction.*

Community Website one-time Credit Card** Submit payments through TownSq.io website or mobile app. *No transaction fee through March 30, 2020, thereafter \$2.95/per transaction, plus a 3.5% surcharge fee already in place.*

Recurring/Auto Payments** – Submit payments through TownSq.io website or mobile app. See description above for Community Website one-time E-Check and Community Website one-time Credit Card payments and fees.

Hello New ESL Neighbors!

by Michelle Barnes & Jodi Godfrey

1. The Hurst Family - 2659 Spring Rock Way

(Photo Not available at printing) Say hello to Joseph Hurst and Mary Scarbrough-Hurst. They moved to ESL from North Forest subdivision. John is a retired business owner who enjoys studying art and loves finding new paintings & antiques. He is a Georgia State graduate. Mary is a retired Cobb County teacher – Dickerson Middle School. She enjoys reading, walking and wine tastings. She is a UGA graduate who loves the Bulldogs! They love our beautiful well-lit neighborhood with its sidewalks and lakes. They would love to meet people who like to walk, love to read and enjoy wine tastings. Let's extend a warm welcome and a "cheers" to the Hurst family!

2. The Miller Family - 5094 Spring Rock Terrace



Hello to Jonathan and Michelle Miller. The Millers moved to ESL from Canton. They were drawn to us because of the school district, community feel of ESL

and that there are LOTS of kids. Jonathan, a former Marine... "Ooo Rah!" is a supply chain analyst who enjoys golf and hiking. He loves the Braves, Hawks and the Falcons. Michelle is a financial analyst who enjoys cooking and crafts. She is a Braves fan. The Millers have James (5) who attends Tritt and Asher (3) who attends Primrose Sprayberry. They would love to meet other families with similarly aged kids. The Millers are a house divided, so to speak, as Michelle attended Lassiter and Jonathan attended Pope. In fact, Jonathan has fond memories of visiting friends in ESL as he was growing up. The Millers knew our neighbor Kay Swindel before arriving here. Let's welcome the Millers!



3. The Marcus Family - 2797 Long Lake Drive

Say hello to Jason and Serena Marcus. The Marcus' are pet lovers. They have one dog named Lily

and two cats named Lucy and Linus.

Jason, a lawyer, and Serena, a nurse practitioner, came to ESL because they were looking for a neighborhood with friendly social neighbors. The fact that their house sits across the street from the lake is an added bonus! They moved to us from the East Cobb neighborhood of Harper Woods. Jason and Serena are Bulldog fans. Go Dawgs! Jason enjoys movies, travel, watching sports, CrossFit, games and food. He also likes the Braves, Hawks and Falcons. Serena enjoys skiing, hiking, travel and food. They would like to meet neighbors who like to play games, be active, and who like to cook out or dine out. Say hello and "bon appetite" to the Marcus family!

4. The Pease Family - 1503 Camp Point Court

Say hello to AJ and Morgan Pease. They have a



precious daughter named Caroline who is 8 months old. Morgan works at KeyBank. She enjoys shopping, wine and yoga. AJ works for Norfolk Southern Railway. He loves baseball and enjoys playing softball, going out on the boat and walking.

They both were born and raised in the Cleveland, Ohio area and are huge Cleveland Indians fans. The Pease's landing in ESL is simply an act of fate. AJ had been to the area for a friends' wedding.

Neighbors...

Later, a friend recommended the East Cobb area. The most serendipitous encounter was that they met a couple from Roswell while dining out in Cleveland. The couple learned of AJ's transfer and hooked them up with an agent. They saw this house and fell in love. It was the ONLY house they saw! They would love to meet friendly neighbors, yoga people, and other families with similarly aged kids. When you see the Pease family out walking Toby, their 7 year old chocolate labradoodle, and pushing Caroline in her stroller, give them a friendly welcome!

5. The Tolkovsky Family - 2751 Long Lake Court

Say hello to Nir and Bonnie Tolkovsky.



The Tolkovskys moved to ESL from North Druid Hills. Nir and Bonnie met in London. Nir was working on his PhD and living in London when they met in May of 2015. Bonnie was there on holiday, celebrating the completion of her master's

in clinical mental health counseling. They dated long distance until January of 2018 when Nir completed his PhD. Nir is a technical product manager for a bank. He enjoys music, cycling, reading, walking and rugby. Bonnie is a mental health counselor/therapist. She enjoys reading, Zumba, traveling, cats and Taylor Swift. They (by they I mean Bonnie J) are eagerly awaiting to receive their Siberian kitty. This kitty should be perfect for Nir who is allergic to cats. The Tolkovskys moved to ESL for the great school district and their beautiful home. They are hoping to meet neighbors who enjoy reading, tennis and cycling.

6. The Guterrez Family - 5068 Spring Rock Terrace

Say hello to Carlos and Carrie Gutierrez.



They are UGA graduates and are back in Georgia by way of Niskayuna, NY.

(Niskayuna is

3 hours north of NYC and 20 minutes west of Albany). Carrie is a high school Spanish teacher. She enjoys gardening and biking. Her favorite sports teams are the Bulldogs, UT Vols, Braves, Falcons and Colombia soccer. Carlos is a global operations manager for GE. He loves to watch and play tennis. They have a daughter that lives and works in downtown Atlanta. They also have 1 cat named Risa. They moved to ESL for its tennis, the wooded lot, and their house with its master and the laundry on the main floor. Actually, their home was out of their house hunting search radius. Once they saw the lake and their home all other homes seemed boring. They enjoy listening to live music at local spots, drinking wine and church activities. They are open to meeting all types of people and they are excited to meet you! When you see them out and about don't forget to say "Hola!"

Welcome to All!



ESL Fall 2020 SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

By Ally Bernstein & Jodi Godfrey



Hello everyone!

To keep things safe (and special) this year, the board thought it would be fun for the neighborhood to participate in **"Trunk or Treat."**

"Trunk or Treat" entails decorating your car trunk with Halloween decor, backing up to the end of your driveway. Social distancing will be easy as the children walk driveway to driveway collecting candy.

If you don't want to participate in "Trunk or Treat" but still want to pass out candy, this is great too. We just ask that you set up outside your home or in your driveway to signal your participation.

As far as our Annual Halloween Block Party, more information to come as the CDC requirements continue to change. Please watch for an email update in October with more information on the Halloween Block Party and Trunk or Treat.



POOL NEWS

By Chris Haldeman, Pool Chair

We hope our residents have enjoyed the pool this season! It's been nice to have a place that provides a bit of normalcy in these times. We received a lot of great feedback asking for the pool season to be extended. We reached an agreement with the management company to have the pool serviced and remain open through Sunday September 27th in SAYOR only capacity.

We hope you were able to take advantage of the extended days. If you have any questions about the pool please email ChrisHman@gmail.com.

ESL POOL CLOSING FOR THE SEASON
Sunday, September 27th

Social Media

by Erin Secor

Hello ESL Neighbors! I want to bring your attention to important information about our ESL Facebook page so you'll know how to find our account and the groups important to you.

Attached to our neighborhood Facebook page, East Spring Lake Community, you will also find our three (3) ESL neighborhood social groups:

1) ESL Moms is a group to chat about all things "mom". A great place to post about giving away kid's items, local school questions or planning playdates. 2) ESL Gamers is the page to stay in touch with the goings on of our monthly gamer meetings which are currently suspended due to Covid-19. 3) ESL Book Club is the place to stay in touch with all the book club members.

You will find all these pages attached to our ESL Facebook page, East Spring Lake Community. If you have any trouble accessing, or if you wish to add a special interest group, please contact Erin Secor by messaging East Spring Lake Community on Facebook.



We need you!

Won't you consider getting involved with one of our ESL committees or as an officer of our Executive Board? It's a great way to meet your neighbors and learn about our neighborhood. Currently, Janet Freeman is acting Treasurer until another willing person steps up to help out.

Could that be you?

If interested, please contact Janet Freeman, janetfreeman@att.net.

Rules, Regulations and Architectural Control Guidelines

As you may know East Spring Lake Subdivision operates under Rules and Regulations and Architectural Control Guidelines assigned in September 1985.

Specifically,

1. Avoid parking on the street
2. Yard signage prohibited unless a professional builder or realtor
3. Maintaining home and yard
4. Obtaining neighbors and ESL Board approval for all architectural changes to home, fencing, and roof color.

To review the complete listing of Rules, Regulations and Architectural Control Guidelines, please log onto the ESL website, eastspringlake.com and select Forms.



ESL HOA Officers

President 2020-2022	Mark Needle mark.Needle@gmail.com
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 Chad Lanier, Doug Gibeaut, Mark Needle, Mick Chiofalo, Tim Wynkoop,
 David Hostetler, and Jay Dondero
 Grounds - Jay Dondero
 Newsletter - Mary Schoppman
 Security - Kirk Wilkerson
 Adult Social - Jodi Godfrey
 Social Media - Erin Secor
 Swim Team - Jennifer Riker and Tracey Elliott
 Tennis 2019- 2021 - Kirk Wilkerson
 Website - Kyle Johnson
 Welcome - Michelle Barnes and Jodi Godfrey

ESL Management Company

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