

THE RIDGE RAMBLER



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The Newsletter for the Rambling Ridge Community

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Hello, Neighbors!

This month's newsletter is a few weeks late so we could update you on all the information from our Fall meeting and potluck!

Here are the highlights:

We had a great turnout with 36 attendees and approx. 10 proxies so we met quorum. Our Treasurer, Chris Frey, went over our budget for the year and proposed budget for next year. 68 Households paid dues **(thank you!)** New for this year's budget, the HOA will earn \$200 as the surplus earns interest. Additionally, we received some cash donations from neighbors to support the neighborhood upkeep. We saved a little on Chipper day and even after our expenses, we had a surplus of \$303!

Click [HERE](#) to view the budget reports from fall meeting
You can see the new approved budget [here](#)

The new RRHOA budget was approved with an increase budget for front entrance maintenance. The last few years it has been \$700 - Mowing service in grassy spring/summer months is increasing to \$400/year. Mulch, flowers, road repair and maintenance supplies have gone up in stores so the overall budget went up to \$1200 year.

A large budget was approved for the low canopy trimming along our roads, such as Rambling Drive. The option for DOT to do the 14 ft. canopy trimming was tested by having them do Chipmunk/Trappers. That went ok. Then DOT cut along Deer Run and it looks severe. (the Firewise committee has been working to repair those areas) The HOA can hire a company to do careful trimming of those areas too tall to reach. The motion passed to hire a private company vs DOT trimming to avoid damaging the resident's trees and shrubs.

****update 10/20:** DOT came thru Loggers and Rambling Drive today and trimmed canopies with a pole saw! We may not need to hire the contractor but will check all the streets.

Kenny Perry, (our Firewise Coordinator) updated everyone on the brown plants & trees caused by Duke Power spraying herbicide to kill greenery around power lines. Most plants were low growing and not even near power lines. Kenny was able to get Duke to trim the brown, dead plants due to it being a fire hazard. Duke does not want to do trimming in residential areas unless it is a complaint or issue. Of course we would prefer them to not kill spray so we will continue to request trimming instead.

Look for our next Chipper Day to be between May – July. TBD.

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RR Fall Meeting Highlights continued...



Kenny Perry also updated us on a successful year of RR Care Bears! No task too small, from fixing a printer, a ride to the airport, watering plants, repelling down a hill to find lost glasses....(that was a first!) If we can do it, we do it! Sometimes a job is out of the scope of volunteers like plumbing or A/C units. We leave that to the professionals. The Care Bear/Firewise crew also cleaned up several RR properties this past year. Some yards grew back but some were kept up by the owners and we appreciate that!

Our VP Darrell Burnett updated us on his 5 year plan and vision for a native planting bed on the right side of road, between Whippoorwill and the entrance, as you are leaving the neighborhood. The 3-1/2 acres along Rambling near the entrance is owned by someone out of state who has given us permission to clear the dead wood out, which was done by RR volunteers, to reduce the high fire risk of the pines. The Beautification Committee will receive starter plantings and seed donations to get the project going. If you want to know more about this community project, contact Darrell at 828-220-2448.

To read all of the Fall Meeting minutes, click [HERE](#)

Don't Be Fooled...It's Not US!

A RR resident received a letter in the mail last week addressed from 'rambling ridge hoa' with harsh verbiage about their barking dog. **The HOA did not send that letter.**

Upon further inspection of the situation, there were also two emails sent to the board with complaints that were also fake emails, posing as actual residents! Imagine our surprise when we contacted the residents and they didn't know anything about the email, the complaint and the email listed was not theirs.

Both of these incidents have been reported to the Sheriff's department and being investigated for fraud.



Our current RR board has a process for complaints.

After we verify the complaint, we talk to our neighbor about it first and try to resolve it like neighbors should. We also require a contact for the person submitting the complaint so we can follow up with our findings and resolution.

We hope these are isolated incidents but it did make us wonder how many other letters were sent that we don't know about?

If you have received a letter from the HOA in the last 3 years (not a newsletter or dues reminder) would you please call or email us?
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November 4th 8 am – 3 pm
Big Willow Community Building 6930 Willow Rd

Your junk, someone's treasure!

The Rambling Ridge HOA will be hosting and organizing, putting up signage, publicizing the sale on Facebook and in ads.

To reserve your table to peddle your wares, email ramblingridgehoa@gmail.com
Each person selling must man their own table, money, set up and clean up.

Ladies Lunch Bunch

Wednesday, November 8th at 11:30
Sol y Luna in Laurel Park
1715 Brevard Rd, Hendersonville
RSVP by Nov 6th to Linda Heller
Linda@stampingschool.com



RAMBLING ROWDIES GUYS NIGHT OUT

*****Date Change*****

Thursday November 2st at 6:30 pm
TARTANS SPORTS BAR 828-388-7907
<https://www.tartanssportsbar.com/menu>
321 N Main St Suite C, Hendersonville, NC 28792.
RSVP to Chris Frey crispy275@gmail.com



Rowdies night out is open to all RR neighbors over 21



[AP file] Daily Commercial

Hungry bears! Fall means more bear activity as they are putting on weight for winter denning to begin around Oct – January depending on the weather. With less berries around, bears spend a great deal of time eating acorns! As a reminder, do not put your trash cans out the night before and be sure to pull them back in the same day as trash pick up. Slow down as you are driving around the neighborhood as there are more bear fatalities on the road in the fall as they are out looking for food

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Neighbor **Spotlight:** Meet Anne Cain!



If you know Anne, you know that smile! She is a friend to many neighbors here and I am personally lucky to be one. Always generous with her hugs and laughter, she is a joy to know. - Linda Heller

How long have you lived here in RR and where did you come from originally?

I lived in Colorado most of my life. I had a dear friend who lived on Grey Fox here in RR. Around 2002, I came to visit her and off the cuff said 'Gee, I wish I had a house here'. My friend said there just happened to be one around the corner for sale! I ended up looking at a few more and found the perfect house for me on Deer Run. I traveled back and forth for years from Colorado with my 3 cats, spending more and more time here until I officially moved here full time in 2019.

What did you want to be when you grew up and did it turn out that way?

From a young age I wanted to be a veterinarian! I've always loved animals. I didn't get to do that but I found other things I loved, too. I found I loved to sing, dance and caught the theatre bug, too! I was in grade school during WWII, going to movies and musicals was my favorite thing to do. Instead of going to college in Colorado, I ran off to New York to attend the American Academy of Dramatic Arts and performed in several plays. After going back to Colorado, I met my first husband, had children and enjoyed being a stay at home mother for many years. I had jobs I loved and some I didn't but I worked at a labor union and the state of Colorado in Telecommunications.

Do you have a favorite restaurant?

I like trying new places to eat and haven't had a bad meal anywhere here. My favorite restaurant in Hendersonville is Never Blue.

What do you like to do in your free time?

I love retirement! One of my favorite things to do is read a good mystery novel! I'm reading a great one right now from the library called The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store by James McBride. I have 2 cats, Snow and Miu Miu, and I love to watch them as they watch the squirrels and birds!

What do you like most about RR?

The weather, the people and nature. My wonderful neighbors look out for me and it's nice to have an extra hand when needed. The peace and quiet here is a dream compared to a big city!

