

# Creekwood Commons News

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## 2017 Creekwood Board Members

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# SUMMER

Have a question, comment, problem or need an approval?  
Contact your HOA through our management company Carter  
Communities. [Scott@cartercommunities.com](mailto:Scott@cartercommunities.com)

## Newsletter Mission

Newsletter is designed to inform the residents of upcoming events in the neighborhood and Downtown Woodstock, As well as update you on HOA matters and provide friendly reminders regarding the association rules. This newsletter is published on a quarterly basis and distributed to each homeowner and tenant. **Tenants who have any questions should contact their landlords and they will contact the board.**

**Should you have any items you feel would be important to include in the newsletter, please e-mail the HOA to request inclusion in future newsletters.**

**Please make sure your subject reads "Creekwood Newsletter"**



For those that just moved in since Feb (last newsletter), **Welcome to Creekwood Commons!!** We hope you enjoy living here as much as we all do.

To find community information, the neighborhood website is [www.creekwoodcommons.com](http://www.creekwoodcommons.com)

Also to stay informed of real time neighborhood news and reminders (like this newsletter). Please email [scott@cartercommunities.com](mailto:scott@cartercommunities.com) the following:

Your name

Your unit#

Email address

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# BECOME A BOARD MEMBER

One of our board members has sold his home and moved. It is the existing board's responsibility to appoint an owner to the open position. If you are interested in serving on the Board, please email [scott@cartercommunities.com](mailto:scott@cartercommunities.com).

## Neighborhood News



**Trail access:** Please do not try to walk around the fence and please make sure the gate is closed and latched. If you do not have a key, you will need to request a replacement from the association (**replacement costs will apply**).

**As a reminder:** truck trailers, boats, RV's, ATV's, campers, etc are not allowed to be parked in your driveway for more than 48 hours.

**Insurance:** Every homeowner should have a **H06 Insurance Policy**. Please discuss this with your insurance agent. You may save some money! Scott would be happy to supply you with any documents you may need.

**Litter in the neighborhood:** Please help keep our neighborhood and common areas clean. Parents should not be allowing their children to play in the park without supervision, and everyone should be cleaning up after themselves. Please remind your children and guests of this.

**Solicitations:** You may not have asked for them, but sample newspapers, take out menus, etc. are everyone's responsibility to pick up.

For **neighborhood documents and archived communication/newsletter** visit [www.creekwoodcommons.com](http://www.creekwoodcommons.com)

**Dues:** Since a majority of the homeowners pay their dues online, the **association dues coupon books** are only mailed out by request. You can pay dues at [https://www.hoabankservices.com/Online Payments/payment.aspx](https://www.hoabankservices.com/Online%20Payments/payment.aspx). There is a service fee to pay by credit/debit card, but no fee to pay by e-check.

**Cat/Dog rules:** Our by-laws state no "pets" should be running free in the community. This technically means cats as well. We have had several complaints about cats urinating at front doors to mark their territory where indoor cats live. Cats have also been hanging out on patios where they do not live. With Hawks, Coyotes and other predators in the community, all owners should be in full control of their **pets** when outside, including cats.



## Getting board approval for exterior projects

If you are planning on making any exterior changes to your unit this spring/summer you will need to submit your plan to the board for approval **PRIOR** to making the changes. This includes (*but not limited to*) changing the house numbers on the front door, changing the outside lights, front door, storm doors, changes to your back patio, landscaping designs, having

a yard sale, etc.

This is to ensure our neighborhood continues to look nice and uniform for future buyers and tenants.

So if you need an approval, contact your HOA through our management company Carter Communities. [cartercommunities@gmail.com](mailto:cartercommunities@gmail.com)

**When in doubt, send an e-mail!**



## Vehicles per unit

Per the community bylaws, **no more than two (2) vehicles per unit** are allowed full time. Also the declaration states that **no inoperative vehicle shall be parked on any lot in excess of 14 days**. The association will begin taking enforcement actions to this rule. Any residents who have more than two vehicles need to contact the board immediately! There are limited parking spots for guests along with an increased amount of street parking that has become a result of residents not obeying this rule. **For the residents who continuously park in the guest parking instead of your own driveway, violation fines will be issued and consistent abuse to this may result in towing at owners expense.**

## Parking/Guest Parking



**Parking: DO NOT PARK IN THE GRASS OF ANY LOCATION OF OUR COMMUNITY-YOU WILL GET TOWED!** Also please do not park directly across the street from another car, do not park near or in front of a stop sign, and do not park in front of mailboxes or fire hydrants. Also **please be considerate of your neighbors and do not block their driveways**. If any driveway is blocked, cars will be towed at the owner's expense. Also if you or your visitors are parked on the street, please be aware of how much room is left between you and any other cars parked on the street. If there isn't enough room for an emergency vehicle to get through you could be ticketed or even hit at your OWN expense.

## Attention Dog Owners

This is the friendly but repetitive reminder that there are **NO acceptable locations on our property for dog waste to be left**. Nor should it be left for any period of time before picking it up in your own yard. Please do your part as a pet-owner and pick up after your dog immediately. Also everyone must abide by the leash law no matter how small your dog is. Violations of this rule will be subject to a fine per occurrence.



## Slow Down!

Children are at play **OR** your neighbors might be backing out of their driveway. **PLEASE SLOW DOWN. Residential speed limit per state law is 15mph**

**Also you must come to a complete stop at the STOP sign. Woodstock PD occasionally patrols our neighborhood and will ticket offenders. No one is exempt to this rule.**

## Trash Cans/Pickup

Please remember **all garbage and trash cans must be kept in the garage or stored** (securely) on the sides of the buildings (**never** in front of the garage doors) and cannot be left on the street or driveway. Trash cans cannot be left out more than 24 hours before or after trash day (currently Monday). **Additionally trash cans cannot be put on the**

**curb until 6pm Sunday night and they must be moved in by Tuesday 6pm.**

**There should be no loose trash placed on the curb, and everything should be secured in a trash bag.**

## Newspapers

Please pick up **any** newspapers or solicitations delivered to your unit and dispose of accordingly. Newspapers that have been left out, have littered our neighborhood. You may not want it, or did not ask for it, but it is **every-one's responsibility to keep our neighborhood clean.**

**Violations to the topics mentioned on this page will be subject to a fine.**

## Fireworks

Fireworks are not allowed at Creekwood Commons for insurance reasons.



## Woodstock Farm Fresh Market

The 9th annual Woodstock Farm Fresh Market will be open every Saturday from May through September. Along with a Winter Market season from October to December.

Where: on Market Street.

Hours are 8:30a.m. to noon.

For more info [www.visitwoodstockga.com/portfolio/farm-fresh-market](http://www.visitwoodstockga.com/portfolio/farm-fresh-market)



## Landscaping

If the tree at your front door has died and has been replaced once already, it will most likely die again so it will not be replaced a third time.

You may have noticed that we have added some additional bushes and grasses around the community as part of our ongoing investment in the beautification of our community. There are a few additional projects being completed this month, including mulch, pine straw and sod patching.

**If the landscaper has replaced or planted anything in your yard or near your yard, please make sure to water it regularly to help it root.**

A white flowering Dogwood tree has been planted in the park in memory of Ellie Thrapp-Torres, who passed away in 2016.



## Summer Block Party



Meat, Beverages, & Fun  
Will be provided

**When:** More Details to come

**Where:** Neighborhood Park (near the pond).

**Please bring your own chairs & sunscreen**

## Local Events



Just a few local fun events to help support our community. For more on City events go to <http://www.woodstockga.gov/events>.

### May

**Fri 5th:** Friday Night Live Theme: Western Night

**Fri 12th:** Woodstock Summer Concert Series: Charlie Daniels Band with Across the Wide

**Sat 20th:** Woodstock Spring Festival

**Mon 29th:** Memorial Day Ceremony at 10am.

### June

**Fri 2nd:** Friday Night Live Theme: Caribbean Night

**Sat 3rd & Sun 4th:** 12th Annual Wing & Rock Fest at Etowah River Park in Canton ([www.wingandrockfest.com](http://www.wingandrockfest.com))

**Sat 10th:** Woodstock Summer Concert Series: Robert Randolph and the Family band, with AJ Ghent Band

**Fri 23rd:** Carriage Kia of Woodstock welcoming party presents Party On the Moon at the Northside Amphitheater, 7pm

### July

**Fri 7th:** Friday Night Live Theme: Downtown Dance Party

**Tues July 4th:** Woodstock July 4th Spectacular (parade, festival, fireworks, 5K race)

**Sat 8th:** Woodstock Summer Concert Series: Drivin N Cryin with the Stepping Stones

**Creekwood  
Trash /Recycling  
pick up:** Mondays  
**Landscaping day:**  
Tuesday  
*Days may change due to  
holidays or weather.*

## Fun Stuff



### Summer Sangria

In a Large Glass Pitcher add:

1-2 Apples and/or Pears - peeled, cored and sliced into large flat slices.

Use cookie cutters in small star & other festive shapes to make cut outs in the apple slices

1 orange w/ rind on, sliced into thin circles or wedges (use additional for garnish on each glass)

3/4 cup Orange Juice (or more to taste)

1/3 cup Brandy or Rum (or more to taste!)

1 Bottle Spanish red table wine

1-2 tbs. of brown or white sugar to taste (depending on the other ingredients, you may not need it)

Chill for up to 2 hours before serving

\*Time saver - Simply buy a bottle of the already made Sangria in the bottle and just add some OJ and the festive fruit!

Get creative for the occasion! Use a white wine and peach juice with raspberries & blueberries. Add a splash of Sprite or Ginger Ale before serving. Try making with a sparkling wine like Moscato D'Asti. However this cannot be made long before drinking or it will lose its fizz.

Serve in fun unique glassware. Have fun and drink responsibly!



### Fresh Squeezed Lemonade

\* 2 cups fresh lemon juice (squeezed from whole lemons)

\* 2 & 1/4 cup sugar

\* About 11-12 cups water, total

Mix lemon juice and sugar together in large gallon sized pitcher. Add in 4 or more cups hot water to dissolve sugar. After sugar is dissolved, fill the rest of the gallon pitcher up with cold water. Refrigerate.

(Makes 1 gallon of lemonade)



If you have some fun ideas to share, please email us. This section is for family friendly ideas, projects, puzzles, jokes, tips, etc.