

# Butler Creek Current

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## After the Flood

The waters have receded and the necessary repairs to the common area are almost complete. The last few things that need to be done include fixing the fence around the tennis courts and the split-rail fence along the creek, as well as some landscaping issues. It wasn't easy, but the pool company was able to remove the silt and debris from the water and the cover is back on the pool. The tennis courts were cleared and pressure washed. The cameras and wiring in the pool house have been repaired.

Several homeowners have dumpsters in front of their houses for cleanup. The board has received requests from some of those homeowners asking that we remind neighbors not to dump garbage in the dumpsters without permission. It's a basic tenet of being a good neighbor: don't use things that don't belong to you without asking.

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## Parking Problems

Even though it seems like we address the parking problem in just about every issue of the newsletter, parking continues to be a problem. As it states in the covenants, every home in Butler Creek has adequate off-street parking, so there is no reason for residents to habitually park in

the streets.

If you're planning a party and know you're going to have a lot of extra cars, you can request a pass from Ken Schwartz, 770-423-4905 to park cars at the pool after the 10 p.m. cutoff time.

While parking problems are ultimately a police mat-

ter, the Board continues to encourage neighbors to "do the right thing" when it comes to parking. Please be considerate of your neighbors. Navigating around parked cars along our curvy streets is dangerous. If you witness an unsafe situation, call the police, 770-499-3911.

### Keep it Current

If you need to update your phone or e-mail address, please e-mail [btlrck@yahoo.com](mailto:btlrck@yahoo.com).

## Garbage Service

Thanks to everyone who has switched garbage service to reduce the number of trucks in the neighborhood. Since the last issue of this newsletter was published, Cycle Works has sold the Butler Creek route to the Dumpster Company. The Dumpster Company has agreed to honor the rate of \$42 per quarter that we had negotiated with Cycle Works. This rate includes free recycling. The Dumpster Company will also provide us with a dumpster in the spring that we can all use. To switch your service, call the Dumpster Company, 678-867-7777, and ask for the Butler Creek rate. If you choose to switch, make sure you remember to cancel your existing service.

### By the Numbers

Every so often people come around offering to paint our house numbers on the curb. They tell us it will help emergency vehicles find us in a crisis. This is simply not true. Police, firefighters and ambulance drivers don't look at the curb when they're trying to find your house. They have a little thing called GPS. So save your money—there's no need to buy the numbers.

### (Key)ping Track

With the pool closed for the season, now is the time to put your pool key in a safe place so that you'll be able to find it in the spring. Once we run out of replacement keys, we will have to have the locks re-keyed and issue new keys to all residents. This is a costly expenditure that can be avoided if we all keep track of our keys. If you are renting a home in Butler Creek, you need to obtain a pool key from the owner.

### Halloween Party

Saturday, Oct. 31  
6 p.m.

At the pool

Food and games

Rain Date:  
Sunday, Nov. 1, 2 p.m.

## Heads Up

We have some sad news about the maple trees located between the pool and the parking lot. The roots from the trees are damaging the pool so the trees need to come down. As much as we hate to lose the trees, we really have no choice. We are looking into other ways to provide shade at the pool. If you have questions about the pool or tennis courts, e-mail Cathy Bailey at [btlrcreek@yahoo.com](mailto:btlrcreek@yahoo.com).

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## **A Note from the ACC**

As you know, the ACC committee routinely walks the neighborhood looking at the homes and properties to make sure that everything looks good according to the by-laws and covenants. Lately we are seeing many homes with chimneys in need of some kind of repair. We are seeing a lot of mold that needs to be pressure washed, rotten boards in need of replacing and some that just need to be painted. We are asking that you take a walk around your home and check it out to see if your chimney is one that needs a little work. It would save the committee a lot of time and money if we didn't have to send out numerous letters for the same thing. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our neighborhood looking its best.

If you have questions about the ACC, you can contact any member of the ACC committee. The street representatives are:

Standing Peachtree Ct.—Carrie Jones, 770-795-0665, [cjones0403@aol.com](mailto:cjones0403@aol.com)

Standing Peachtree Trail (3278-3308) and Margay—Norm Aiken, 770-426-4090, [naiken2407@comcast.net](mailto:naiken2407@comcast.net)

Standing Peachtree Trail (entrance—3277) - Bill McBride, 770-792-4308, [billmcbride20@aol.com](mailto:billmcbride20@aol.com)

Blaydon Pt. & Caylor Hill Pt.—Ken Schwartz, 770-423-4905, [kschw9883@bellsouth.net](mailto:kschw9883@bellsouth.net)

There is an opening on the ACC for a volunteer willing to attend monthly meetings and prepare street reports. It will be necessary for this person to develop a thorough understanding of the covenants within the first few months. The candidate must be approved by the Butler Creek Board of Directors. The primary mission of the ACC is to protect home values and make Butler Creek a desirable place to live. If you'd like to support our community and do some public service, this could be just the opportunity you've been looking for. If you're interested, call Ken Schwartz, 770-423-4905.

### **Long-Distance Dedication**

The Board has been asked to remind residents with outdoor speakers to be mindful of neighbors who may not share their love of music. If you do play music outside, please take a walk around your property to gauge how loud the music is at the boundaries. If your neighbors can hear it on their back porch, it's probably too loud. Thanks for your cooperation!

### **Change Your Clocks, Change Your Batteries**

When you set your clocks back one hour on Sunday, Nov. 1, remember to change the batteries in your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.