

THE WEST FARM WAYS

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWSLETTER

JULY 2020

Happening Now!

SUMMER. FUN IN THE SUN. POOL TIME.

The Community Pool has opened up as of June 1st. Please be aware of the enhanced procedures being followed and be sure to review the complete list of pool rules before going to the pool. (A complete list of rules can be found at westfarmhoa.com site).

- Daily Cleanings and pool checks will be completed by a contracted pool company and our neighborhood pool committee.
- Additional disinfectant spray, paper towels, and hand sanitizer is available on the wall at the pool house. Please use sparingly.
- Chairs are spaced in observance of social distancing guidelines. If you move a chair during your visit, please move it back.
- If you have been ill, run a fever, or any other symptoms of COVID-19, we ask that you do not visit the pool area until you have been symptom free for 72 hours (3 days).
- In accordance with state guidelines, the capacity at the pool has returned to 60 people.

"For suggestions for future newsletters, please email support@mycmq.com

We hope you enjoy this issue of The West Farm Ways!"

*Heath,
West Farm HOA
President*



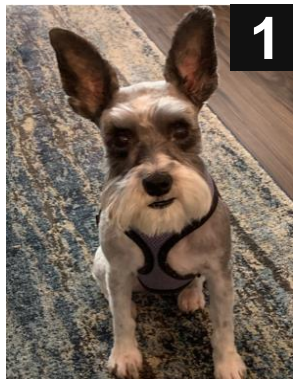
West Farm Subdivision, Fountain Inn, SC

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The Dogs of West Farm

West Farm loves our furry friends and neighbors. Let's learn a little more about The Dogs of West Farm submitted by their parents. If you see any of these pretty ladies and handsome fellas out and about stop and say "hello".



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1. **Laquita** – Name means “little cow”, which is fitting since she is black with white markings. She is soon to be 8 years young and is a Parti Schnauzer breed that was adopted. She is big on getting popcorn and taking rides in the car. **Parent(s): Nancy Page**



To all the Doggies that weren't submitted... we look forward to seeing you around the neighborhood!

2. **Tango** – 11 years young Coton de Tulear who loves scent games with his brother Darby and they annually compete in K9 Scent Work. He loves any treat and was the first pup in the household. **Parent(s): Len & Karen Rayburn**

3. **Maddie** – Name is short for Madigan meaning “dog” in Celtic Irish. She is an All American Breed that is 8 years young. She enjoyed being a therapy dog with children and now is doing scent work. **Parent(s): Dorothy Bailey**

4. **Chloe** – 2.5 year old Golden Retriever that only likes to retrieve squeaky toys in the house no outside fetch games for her! She came all the way from a breeder out of Tipperary, Ireland. She loves Old Mother Hubbard's Chick'n'Apples biscuits. **Parent(s): Don and Emily Bortz**

5. **Scout** – Golden Retriever that loves to cuddle and watch TV. Her favorite treat is gold fish (just the crackers!) and she is obsessed with water. She is working on her therapy dog certification! **Parent(s): Will and Rachel Robinson**

6. **Millie** – Loves peanut butter and taking walks on the beach. She came with her name when she was being fostered – but won over her foster parents who kept her as their own! She is described as a “foster fail diva!” **Parent(s): Rob and Jennifer Acunto**

7. **Darby** – 10 years young and was adopted from Little Rock, AR by love at first site. He is a Bichon-Poodle mix with poodle hair and a retriever attitude but sweet like a Bichon! Are you surprised to learn, he loves green peas. **Parent(s): Len and Karen Rayburn**

8. **Reese** – Hound Mix that is 13 years young who loves cereal and going on walks. She was a rescue puppy and now is the ‘baby’ of our ‘empty nest’. We thought she looked like a Reese Cup – dark on top and brown in middle – so she was named. **Parent(s): Andrew and Kimberly Broadway**

9. **Ember** – Named for her fire-y energy and the red color of her coat, she is a 4 year old pup from Georgia. She loves Greenies after a bath or nail trim and her favorite activity is snuggling on the couch with mom and data or sunbathing in the yard. **Parent(s): Jeff and Danielle Reno**

10. **Rizzo** – Is a little over 1 year old pup who was a surprise birthday gift for family son. He is a Coton de Tulear that loves peanut butter! His favorite game is chase – around the house! **Parent(s): The Herzog Family**

11. **Charlie Belle** – A toy Aussie that is just one year old. She loves to play fetch and take walks in the neighborhood. And sometimes snuggle with her brother Scout! **Parent(s): Will and Rachel Robinson**



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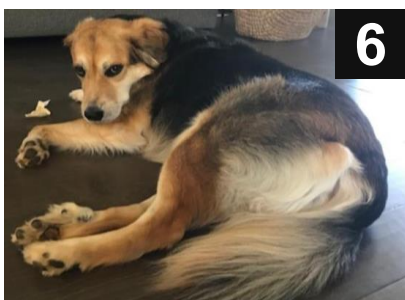
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The Little Free Library

Message from Mary Lou & Bill Garnett.

ESTABLISHED IN 2005

"We were the first homeowners in the Mungo expansion of West Farm and were fortunate enough to meet most of the new neighbors as our neighborhood grew. A friend of mine mentioned they had a "Little Free Library" in their neighborhood and the residents loved it. The Uzarraga family were also one of the newest neighbors with 4 children who all loved to read as I do. It was a joint effort idea wide, but Esteban did an amazing job building it and installing it. Afterward, another neighbor surprised me with the dedication plaque. At the time, it was really a joint neighborhood effort for all to enjoy."



Update from the Social Committee

It's almost time for our annual 4th of July Bike Parade! The parade begins at 10:00am and a fire truck will lead us around the neighborhood. Prizes will be awarded, so show your patriotic spirit by decorating your bicycle, scooter, wagon, stroller, golf cart, etc! The judging of the decorated parade participants will be at 9:45am at the pool area. Don't forget to get a FREE popsicle at the pool house at the end of the parade.

"When I organized the first 4th of July parade, it quickly became a family favorite! This year will be the sixth annual parade. We love the patriotism, the decorating efforts, the joy, the popsicles, and the local firemen coming together to join in our celebration."

- Gretchen Dobbs, Social Committee Member

Pending CDC and SCDHEC guidelines we are looking into planning a Labor Day / End of Summer event! Keep your eyes and ears open for more information throughout the summer. Information will be posted on the WestFarmHOA.com site.

Update from the Welcome Committee

Our neighborhood is filling up fast and we want to make sure all families are welcomed and know what's happening around the neighborhood. We have welcomed **7 new families** in the last few months! It can take up to 30 days to be notified of a new neighbor, help us welcome them sooner by letting us know if anyone moves in near you.

Neighborhood Food Truck Schedule & Community Events Calendar



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- July 11 - Top Dawg (11am-2pm)
- July 11 - Sunset Slush (12pm-2pm)
- July 29 - Chef on the Run (5-7pm)
- August 5 - Cousins Maine Lobster (5-8pm) & Twisted Stems Flower Truck
- August 12 - Maggie Mae's (6-8pm)
- August 19 - One Love Fusion Foods (5-7pm)
- September 9 - Lobster Dogs (5-7pm)
- 11TH SEPTEMBER MOTORCYCLES ON MAIN WING FEST (MAIN ST FROM 6-10PM); SOUNDS OF SUMMER FINALE*
- 12TH SEPTEMBER FARMERS MARKET SEASONAL CLOSING

*we recommend checking the Fountain Inn Website closer to event dates.

Congrats Graduates of 2020

Our neighborhood is full of smart and talented young people ... Here is a closer look at some of our amazing graduates!



Rachelle E. Ramey, University of Texas at Austin Graduate – LBJ School of Public Affairs with a Masters in Global Policies Studies, is the daughter of Richard and Elizabeth Ramey. Her future plans include being a Presidential Management Fellow at the Public Health Analyst Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, GA. When asked her favorite quote she stated, “Life is a struggle and the potential for failure is ever present, but those who live in fear of failure, hardship, or embarrassment will never achieve their potential. Without pushing your limits, without occasionally sliding down a rope headfirst, without daring greatly, you will never know what is truly possible in your life.” – Admiral William McRaven
Congratulations Rachelle and Best Wishes on a Successful Future!



Ryan F. Ramey, Clemson Graduate with MS Packaging Science & Minor in Chemistry, is the son of Richard and Elizabeth Ramey. His future plans include working as a Packaging Engineer, Food Scientist, Research & Development Engineer or in Regulatory Affairs. When asked his favorite quote he chose, “There are in fact two things, science and opinion; the former begets knowledge, the latter ignorance.” – Hippocrates. *Congratulations Ryan and Best Wishes on a Successful Future!*



Ruthie Richardson, Hillcrest High School Graduate, is the daughter of Condly and Anna Richardson. She will be attending Furman University this Fall studying for a major in Biology to pursue a career in medicine. When asked her favorite quote it was, “Happiness can be found in the darkest of times, when one only remember to turn on the light.” – Albus Dumbledore, *Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban*. *Congratulations Ruthie and Best Wishes on a Successful Future!*

Cole Herzog, Vanguard Academy (High School) Graduate, is the son of Brett and Becky Herzog. He plans to take a gap year with YWAM (Youth With A Mission) at one of their overseas schools. He will evaluate college options to study Engineering and start in the Fall 2021 after returning from the mission field. When asked his favorite quote he mentioned, “The code is more what you’d call ‘guidelines’ than actual rules.” – *Pirates of the Caribbean*. *Congratulations Cole and Best Wishes on a Successful Future!*



Gardening Guidance

SUN. DIGGIN' IN DIRT. WATER. FLOWERS.

"I am so delighted about gardening season! If I could only choose one plant whether it was a flower, shrub or tree, I would choose the hydrangea. This low maintenance shrub blooms for a large part of the summer. French hydrangeas, Big leaf hydrangeas, panicle hydrangeas, smooth hydrangeas, oak leaf hydrangeas and climbing hydrangeas are the most popular categories and within each category are several varieties. I adore the beautiful, large flower heads on this shrub! They make excellent cut flower arrangements, and depending on the variety and at times the pH of the soil, the flower heads can be white, pink or blue. Most hydrangea varieties prefer (or maybe insist) part shade especially from the hot afternoon except the panicle hydrangea which does well in full sun. For these reasons and many more, I keep adding one more hydrangea to my garden every year." – Becky Herzog



Neighbor Spotlight



William and Rachel Robinson
(Scout & Charlie Belle)

Will and Rachel have been living in West Farm since March of 2019 after they relocated from a small neighborhood in Simpsonville. They have two dogs, a golden retriever named Scout, and a mini Aussie named Charlie Belle.

Both are Board Certified Family Nurse Practitioners working in pediatric primary care. Will works at Parkside Pediatrics on Harrison Bridge Road, and Rachel works at hometown pediatrics in Clinton. We both have ER background as nurses prior to becoming NPs. Rachel received her Masters from Anderson University while Will received his from Clemson.

They are active at Capstone Church in both band/production and special needs children's ministry, and have attended together since 2017.

When asked how they found West Farm as their home, this is what they said; *"We came to an open house in West Farm on a whim and immediately fell in love with the neighborhood. It's quiet... Lots of people walking... And had a good amount of dogs! The thing we like most about West Farm is how protective everyone is of the neighborhood. It truly is a nice neighborhood and I think people want to keep it that way. Everyone has been so welcoming in our first year and we have been so blessed to call West Farm home!"*

Message from HOA President: **Heath Haywood**

Hello neighbors! The HOA Board had intended on holding a community wide HOA meeting this summer at the pool house, similar to the one that we held last year; however, due to on-going concerns with COVID-19 we are unable to plan the meeting at this time. We will continue to monitor SC DHEC and CDC recommendations for ability to hold the meeting later in the year.

Kid's Corner

...for the little (and big) kids of the neighborhood.

Neighborhood I SPY Game ... Roam around the neighborhood and try to find all the items listed. Make it more fun by taking a selfie with the items while completing the hunt! But be respectful of personal property.

-  I spy with my little eye ... An American Flag
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Yellow Fire Hydrant
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Bird House
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Mickey Mouse icon
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Flip Flop Sign
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Dog Statue
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Red Fire Hydrant
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Welcome Spring sign
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Clemson Paw
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Bird Windmill
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Boy Fishing statue
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A SC Gamecock Logo
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Rabbit Statue
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Pineapple Pillow
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Squirrel Statue
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Wagon Wheel
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Bird Bath
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Purple Flower
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Real Squirrel
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Yellow Rose Bush
 -  I spy with my little eye ... A Hummingbird Feeder
- (hint: It looks like a hot air balloon!)*

If you take selfies, pick the BEST ONE and ask mom or dad to submit it for future publication in our neighborhood newsletter along with name of who is in the picture.

PARENTS: Please remind your kids to be respectful of all neighbors and their personal property when doing the scavenger hunt. All items can all be found around common areas or along with sidewalks without approaching a neighbor's home or fenced yard. Thank you!

Contact Us

We want your input for the next issue of The West Farm Ways! (photos, article information, spotlight or other recommendations, etc.)

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