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### WEST FARM **GIVES BACK**

We are currently collecting books at the pool picnic area (through July 17<sup>th</sup>) to donate to Greenville Literacy Association.

GLA helps our local communities with various programs related to GED prep, English as a 2<sup>nd</sup> language, work ready programs, citizenship test prep, and so much more!

Books collected will be sold at their annual fundraiser called "The Really Good, Really **Big, Really Cheap Book** Sale" taking place on Aug 12 – 14 at McAlister Square.

#wfgivesback

## Summer, Summer, Summertime ...

Summer can be filled with lots of fun – sunshine, laughter, swimming, and general activity in and around the town and our neighborhood. But let's remember that safety is a priority to keep the summer fun for everyone!

Here are a few reminders and tips to help ensure West Farm has a fun and safe Summertime:

- 1) Stay hydrated when out in the sun drink plenty of water!
- 2) Protect your skin from the sun SPF 30 or higher is recommended to help block those harmful rays.
- 3) Play Safe Ride bikes with traffic flow, walk facing traffic so you are visible, never swim alone, and remember to wear life jacket when out on lakes.
- 4) Drive Cautiously Slow and steady wins the prize! Remember children, pets, and neighbors are active playing around roadways and moving around the neighborhood. Obey all traffic rules, including speed limits and stop signs.
- 5) Keep your Furry Family Safe too! If it is too hot for you to be outside then it is too hot for pets to be outside without fresh water, shade, and/or cooling pads. Remember their little feet - concrete and asphalt get HOT during heat of the day.



# HOA Board Members' Recap

The HOA Board of Directors meet once per month in order to discuss needs in the neighborhood and follow up on-going concerns. Minutes from those meetings are approved the following month and posted on our website at <a href="https://westfarmhoa.com/meeting-minutes">https://westfarmhoa.com/meeting-minutes</a>.

We feel it is important to provide routine updates to all homeowners giving additional insight into completed actions happening around the neighborhood. Some projects and actions items take longer to resolve so there will always be on-going items, but we'd like to share a recap of projects completed through end of Quarter 2, 2022.

#### Quarter 1 (Jan, Feb, Mar)

- Mulch and pine straw installed in communal areas.
- Pool parking lot seal coating and line repainting maintenance.
- Belgian Blue Way roundabout damaged vegetation removal & rock installation.
- Signed final SCDOT paperwork for Cross Walk project.
- Communication with RSC grading to mitigate dust from grading on new community.
- Secured food trucks for neighborhood enjoyment.
- Volunteers cleaned Howard Drive running in front of WF for Adopt-A-Highway.

### Quarter 2 (Apr, May, June)

- Lawlis Landscape contractor replaced expiring contracted A Cut Above, a significant budget savings.
- Pool parking lot lights installed by Duke Power contractor.
- ARC process streamlined to improve response time and alleviate costs to homeowners submitted requests.
- Cross walk signage and ADA pads installed to help safety crossing of Howard.
- Pool bathrooms had drain issue. Plumber was able to remove foreign object from drain. Bathrooms cleaned and sanitized by board member, with limited loss of pool access.
- Social committee executed first social event, Easter Egg Hunt, with a great attendance.
- Board member personally removed dead bushes in communal areas.
- Board member & volunteers personally installed pine straw around retention pond on village side.
- Board members personally addressed weed control at end of Howard Drive and removed dead bushes from WF berm.
- Landscaping Committee coordinated install of new tree at BBW roundabout.
- Secured food trucks for neighborhood enjoyment.
- Volunteers cleaned Howard Drive running in front of WF for Adopt-A-Highway.
- By mid-year, ARC Committee had received/responded to 27 requests.

#### Other important notes:

- Pool coping repairs are necessary and scheduled for end of 2022 / start of 2023 before next pool season.
- Negotiation with Cedar Management on fee increase relief.
- Budget monitored to ensure best stewardship of neighborhood funds.

# Food Truck Fun



### Current Schedule for July, August & September 2022

JULY 14<sup>TH</sup> (5:30 – 7:30PM): MAC ATTACK

Updates to the schedule are posted routinely at <u>https://westfarmhoa.com</u>. Due to limited participation from the neighborhood, we are evaluating the food truck program and will communicate further when final decisions are made.

### Independence Day Fun

West Farm is committed to hosting fun and memorable events during the year to help bring our neighborhood together. This Independence Day was no different! Our social committee did a wonderful job planning and executing the annual Independence Day Parade – complete Fountain Inn Firetruck leading the route and providing water play at the end. Everyone looked patriotic and enthusiastic to be a part of the parade in 2022.





















### Question & Answer Corner

Q: Is it possible to contact the members of the HOA Board directly instead of contacting Cedar Management?

A: Yes, all of the Board Members have email address for easy contact.

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# How to Make Homemade Fruit Juice Popsicles

(you will need some help from an adult, but the treat is worth the work!)

#### What you need:

- 2 Cups Water
- 1 ½ Cups Sugar
- 4 Cups unsweetened Apple Juice
- 1 Cup unsweetened Pineapple or Orange Juice
- ½ Cup Lemon Juice
- 12 (3 oz) paper cups (alternative is a muffin pan with liners)
- 12 wooden craft / pop sticks
- Tin Foil



#### **Directions:**

**Step 1: Prepare Ingredients** – Combine the water and sugar in a large saucepan, then bring to a boil. Once the water begins to bubble, reduce the heat, and let the mixture simmer. Stir occasionally until the sugar is entirely dissolved. This should take 3-4 minutes. Remove from heat and stir in the fruit juices of your choice.

**Step 2: Pour into Molds** – Fill your paper cups with ¼ cup juice mixture. Then top cups with tin foil and poke the sticks through the center.

**Step 3: Freeze 'Em** – Stick your treats in the freezer until they are firm. Takes about 2-3 hours but leaving them overnight is best choice for slower melting while eating.

**Step 4: Enjoy!** – After pulling your cup from the freezer, give it a quick dip in hot water. They should fall right out of the mold.

NOTE: you can store homemade popsicles for up to six weeks if in an airtight container or freezer bag.

