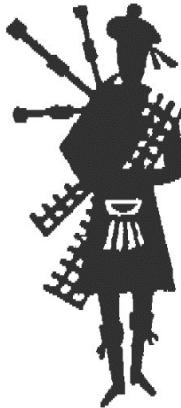




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*The Newsletter for Highland
Pointe Residents*

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Membership Renewals Due for 2016-2017

It's time to renew your Highland Pointe Homeowner and Recreation memberships. Your commitment of \$247.00 towards a Homeowners (HPOA) membership supports the maintenance of the entrances, trails, lakes and walkways. The Highland Pointe facilities are some of the finest in East Cobb. We also offer many social and recreational events throughout the year, as well as holiday celebrations for your whole family. Your membership to the Recreation Association (HPRA) allows our community to grow and continue to be a great place to live and play! Thank you to the 200+ homes who have invested in Highland Pointe's future by becoming Permanent Recreation (HPRA). Your combined HOA and HPRA dues are \$590.00 and will remain until 2018. If you are a Permanent HOA member, your recreation dues are \$405.00 so your combined HOA and HPRA dues are \$652.

Invoices for the 2016-2017 year will be mailed April 1st. If you do not receive yours, please contact the office. The Recreation Access Card(s) pick up date is **April 24th from 1:00 pm-3:00 pm**. If your payment is received before April 23rd and you are a **new** recreation member or you have requested an additional card, your card(s) will be ready for you to pick up at the clubhouse during this time. You may also bring your payment to the clubhouse on the 24th.

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2016 ELECTION

Just to update all residents on the political sign policy. One regular sized tasteful sign can be put in your yard up to one month prior to the March primary or November presidential election, and it needs to be removed by 7 days after each election. No political signs can be displayed between March 7 and October 1.

<u>IMPORTANT DATES</u>		
<u>March</u>	<u>April</u>	<u>May</u>
2 Read Across America Day	1 April Fool's Day	8 Happy Mothers' Day
12 Ladies Craft Night	4-8 No School: Spring Break	9 Board of Directors' meeting 6:30 pm
12 Neighborhood Wide Yard Sale	11 Board of Directors' Meeting	25 Last Day of School
13 Daylight Savings Time Begins	15 Tax Day	25 Lassiter Graduation : 3:30pm KSU
14 Board of Directors' Meeting 6:30pm	22 Earth Day/Plant a Tree	26 Ice Cream Social/Tennis Pavilion
17 St. Patrick's Day	23 Passover Begins	30 Memorial Day Social
19 Easter Egg Hunt/Spring Fling 2:30-4:30	24 Pay Dues-P/U Access Cards 1-3pm	30 Memorial Day Social
19 Adults Only Spring Fling 7 pm		
20 Palm Sunday & 1st Day of Spring		
27 Easter		
30 Swim Team Registration 4:30-6:30		

Membership 2016: Where Are We Now?

The Membership Drive of 2014 brought a lot of much-needed change to Highland Pointe: we were a Swim/Tennis community that--*despite having some of the most expansive amenities in the area*--relied solely on voluntary participation for funding those amenities. Two years later, about 45% of our residents now support our neighborhood fully with their commitment to Permanent HPRA, but the glass is still half empty.

For those of you that have not yet signed up, here are a few things to keep in mind:

- 1. We had to offer recreational memberships to outside neighborhoods.*** Among the 499 homes in Highland Pointe, less than 40% were paying HPRA three years ago, an all-time low. Too many residents has simply “opted out”.
- 2. We had to take out a loan to re-plaster our pool.*** Since we operate without the full financial support of all 499 homes, we had to finance the \$50,000 to ensure our pool would stay open. The loan allowed us to cover our other operating costs and not totally deplete our reserves; however, with 499 homes, we shouldn't have to do this.
- 3. Every year after paying to repair the run-down, 30 year old parts of this community, there is less in the budget for the updates the homeowners would like to see.*** The list of what we would *like* to do is long—gets longer every year—but we have too little funds, and some projects remain undone.
- 4. Everyone in Highland Pointe uses the amenities.*** Whether you swim in the pool all summer—or have never even seen the recreational area—you use these facilities whether you pay for them or not: you live in a Swim/Tennis community, and your home will be marketed as a home in a Swim/Team community when you go to sell. Even you if haven't thought much about the condition of the facilities lately, chances are good a potential buyer will. *The truth is only a fraction of the homeowners pay for what benefits us all.*

If you have questions about membership or would like to sign up, please contact **Melanie Smith** at membership@highlandpointe.org or call (404) 218-9112. Find out how you can start

“Doing Good for Our ‘Hood”.

WAYS TO STAY CONNECTED & STAY IN THE KNOW!



Highland Pointe Broadcast Emails

Are you receiving emails from Highland Pointe? If not, your email address is not registered with us. This is a great way to be kept up to date on all the news and happenings in Highland Pointe . If you would like to be on our email recipient list, go to our website, www.highlandpointe.org and at the bottom of the home page is a link, which reads “Click here to receive Highland Pointe Broadcast emails”. Just click on that and follow the directions and you will be registered to receive the eblasts.



Facebook

Search in Facebook for the following pages to follow. Each gives you a different opportunity to share or see what is happening in the “hood”.

- 1) **Highland Pointe Happenings**-More for social and events in the neighborhood.
- 2) **Highland Pointe**-More for general information, pictures, etc.
Both 1 & 2 can and will overlap
- 3) **Highland Pointe Online Yard Sale**-For anything you would like to sell or give away for free. You can also list your garage or yard sale here or if you are looking to buy a particular item.

All these sites are monitored and only for Highland Pointe Residents!



Next Door Neighbor

Download the *Next Door Neighbor* app on your smartphone or access the website on your computer: <https://nextdoor.com>. This is a great place to ask for advice, report suspicious activity (after you have called 911) and just get the word out about an event or something happening in the schools. Also, Cobb County will post here about crimes in the area and what to look out for. Check it out.



Winter is over and we are starting to emerge from our homes to enjoy our neighborhood. Nature is also emerging from their winter homes and are moving about. There is abundant wildlife all around us; from bears, bees, snakes, foxes, coyotes and hawks, to name a few. Even our ducks are wild. Please be watchful when you walk the trails, play on the playground, fish in the lakes or work in your yard. In the spring and summer, snakes love to crawl under rocks to keep cool and are “surprised” when you lift their hiding spot. Typically, the wildlife are not a danger to us, but they will defend themselves if threatened. If you have an issue with wildlife in your yard or on your street, please contact a profes-



Highland Pointe Spring Social News



*It's that time of year to come out and have fun with neighbors! We have so many fun activities planned and we would love to have you there. If you are not an HPRA member please consider coming to our Spring Fling events on March 19th to see what you are missing out on! Free of charge, but full of fun!

~**FAMILY SPRING FLING and EGG HUNT:** Saturday, March 19th 2:30pm-4:30pm. ALL HP residents are invited! Bounce houses, face painter and more! Pizza and drinks will be provided! If interested in joining in the Egg Hunt please see below for more information.

~**ADULTS ONLY SPRING FLING FIESTA:** Saturday, March 19th 7pm ALL HP residents are invited to attend. Dinner, drinks and fun will be provided! Come welcome spring with your neighbors and have a blast!

~**SCHOOL'S OUT ICE CREAM SOCIAL:** Thursday, May 26th @ HP tennis pavilion. More info later!

~**MEMORIAL DAY POOL PARTY:** Sunday, May 29th (Cookout lunch and drinks will be provided – HPRA members only). More info later!



HIGHLAND POINTE EGG HUNT: Saturday, March 19th at 2:30pm



*Plan to arrive at the clubhouse field by 2:15 pm! ALL Highland Pointe children are welcome to join in for this fun event! After the Egg Hunt, we will be enjoying pizza and a BOUNCE HOUSE, so we can all hop like the Easter Bunny! Lots of surprises you won't want to miss!

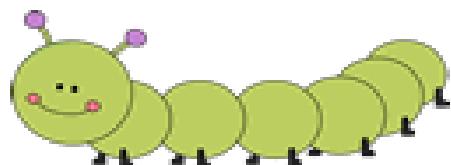
ENTRY "FEE": 1 dozen (12) plastic eggs filled with age appropriate treats for each child participating. *Please TAPE each egg to avoid losing the contents and NO NUT PRODUCTS. For each child, place 12 eggs and Entry Form below (cut along dotted line) in one Ziploc bag and drop off on the side porch of 4454 Leesburg Rd between Monday, March 14 and Friday March 25. For questions, please contact Liz Horner at 404-543-1541 or Lhorner10@gmail.co

Egg Hunt Family Name: _____

of children participating 2 and under: _____

of children participating 3 and up: _____

Contact Phone Number: _____



GRADUATION BANNER



If you have a graduating senior and want his or her name on the banner at the front entrance, please email Julie Wall: julwals@hotmail.com with your graduate's name. Please remember if you do not contact Julie your child's name will NOT be on the banner. It is not our responsibility to know who is graduating, or if you want your child's name listed.

The deadline for submitting your graduate's name is
APRIL 22, 2016.

CALLING ALL GRADUATES!

Are you the proud parent of a graduate or the grandparent of a graduate-and would like his or her name included in the June/July/August Pipeline? Please email your information to:
pipeline@highlandpointe.org by **May 10th.**

The information needed for publication is:
Name (and family connection to Highland Pointe)
School Attended
Degree or Diploma Earned
*For high school graduates: where you plan to attend college (if known)
*For college graduates: future plans (attend graduate school, employment, etc.)



*Don't forget to "Spring Forward"
And set your clocks 1 hour ahead
On Sunday, March 13th at 2:00 am!*

THANK YOU to the following people who deliver the Pipeline!

Lee Berg, Beth Fughum, Jane Osman, Kim Palazzone, Julie Walls, Dorie Wall, Liz, Horner, Trish Selgrath, Dave Roedersheimer, Terri Anne & Pag Paguibitan, Chris & Ronnie Offen and Paul Amoruso.

This is a big job and one that is greatly appreciated by the Editor!



SWIM TEAM NEWS-

JOIN HP PIRANHAS SWIM TEAM!!!!

Guess what time it is???? It's time to sign up for the Highland Pointe swim team! Registration will begin in mid-March and will continue until mid-May. Practice begins on Monday May 11th. Participants must be between the ages of 4 and 18.

- In order to compete in a swim meet, swimmers must be 5 (by May 31st). There will also be a rookie team (ages 4-7) for non-competitive swimmers. Space on the rookie team will be limited, so be sure to register early.
- Residents of other Cobb county neighborhoods are welcome, so tell your friends!

*Residents of Highland Pointe, Mountain Creek, and Wigley Preserve must be members of Highland Pointe Recreation (HPRA)!

- Registration forms can be downloaded from www.hIGHLANDPOINTE.ORG beginning March 1st. Completed forms can be dropped off at 4235 North Mountain Rd. Forms can also be turned in at the clubhouse on Registration Day.
- Registration Day will be Wed, March 25th at the Highland Pointe Clubhouse from 4:30-6:30 pm. Team representatives will be available to answer questions about swim meets/swim suits, etc. at that time.

Contact Kelly Fincher at 678-677-1997 or swimteam@highlandpointe.org for more information.



For a quick glance at what is happening in Highland Pointe, visit our website, www.hIGHLANDPOINTE.ORG and go to Event Calendar!

HIGHLAND POINTE POOL OPENS FOR 2016 SEASON

The pool will be opening for weekends on **May 14-15 from 11:00am - 9:00pm and May 21-22 from 11:00am - 9:00pm.** The permanent schedule will begin on **Wednesday, May 25th with pool hours 11:00am - 9:00pm.** The pool is open until 10pm on Friday nights in June, July & August. SAYOR is **not** available between 8:30-11:00am during swim team season (May & June).

Pool hours and Swim At Your Own Risk (SAYOR) hours are posted on the website. Remember, the Pool Security Agreement **HAS** to be signed and **on file** in order for your access card to have access to the pool during SAYOR times.

CHANGES TO RESERVING THE POOL FOR A PARTY AND RESERVING LIFEGUARDS.



Due to changes in Nautix Lifeguards & Pool Management policy, you will need to complete the Pool Reservation form (found on the website) and return it to the office. The office will verify membership and forward it to Nautix. You will still pay Nautix for the lifeguards.

Another change in renting the pool is there will now be a **\$25** fee for renting the pool. This fee will cover charges not included in the pool contract.



Access Cards

If you are an HPRA member and selling your home or you decide not to rejoin HPRA this year, please remember to return your access cards to the Highland Pointe office. The cards remain the property of Highland Pointe and are attached to your home. Call the office if you would like to make arrangements to return your cards.



Highland Pointe Recreation Association, Inc.
3750 Club House Court
Marietta, GA 30066-2472
770-973-0925
www.highlandpointe.org

Pool Regulations

1. **THE LIFEGUARD IS IN COMPLETE CONTROL OF CONDUCT IN AND AROUND THE POOL.** The lifeguard is there for your protection. No verbal abuse will be tolerated. THE LIFEGUARD HAS THE AUTHORITY TO REMOVE ANYONE FROM THE POOL AREA FOR VIOLATION OF RULES. A VIOLATION REPORT WILL BE FILED WITH THE POOL CHAIRMAN AND THE HPRA OFFICE. Multiple offenses will be dealt with by the Board of Directors ,which could result in your access card deactivated. Please direct any complaints to the Pool Committee Chairman.
2. **YOU MUST USE YOUR SECURITY ACCESS CARD TO ENTER THE POOL.** THE LIFEGUARD DOES NOT HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO ALLOW YOU TO ENTER WITHOUT IT. You will need the card to access the restrooms in the lower clubhouse so the cards need to be with you at all times. Please do not hold the gate open for another member to enter; they need to use their own card. If you have an issue with your card, please email the HPRA Pool Administrator (pool@highlandpointe.org) or call the office (770-973-0925). Only HPRA members are allowed to use the pool so please advise the lifeguard of any suspect violators.
3. A member must accompany guests at the pool. A member is allowed to bring no more than 3 guests to the pool. **Resident non-members do not qualify as guests.** HPRA and its pool services contractor personnel reserve the right to limit guests should over crowding occur. Over crowding is determined by the number of people present versus the lifeguards on duty.
4. Children must be accompanied by an adult member, at least 16 years of age, unless they are 10 years old or completed fourth grade.
5. Members between 10 (completed fourth grade) and 18 must pass a swimming proficiency test to be given by the lifeguard. A list will be posted of those children age/grade eligible that have passed the test.
6. Please do not converse with or distract lifeguards.
7. Swimming apparel will be limited to commonly accepted suits. Cutoffs will not be allowed due to the fact that fringed material will clog the drain.
8. Glass containers of any type are not permitted in the pool area.
9. No underage drinking will be tolerated. Cobb County Police will be called if this is suspected.
10. Smoking is not permitted within the fenced pool area.
11. Pets and animals, other than service animals assisting individuals with disabilities, are not permitted at the pool.
12. No running, pushing, or roughhousing will be allowed in the pool area. Dunking, chicken fights, riding on shoulders, skate boarding, bicycling and roller blading are also prohibited.
13. **Tennis balls, footballs, etc. are not permitted if more than 20 people are in the main pool. The lifeguards may restrict these items at any time. Squirt guns are prohibited in the pool area.**
14. On the hour, a 10-minute break for the lifeguard will be in effect, during which only adult swimmers are allowed in the pool. An adult swimmer is allowed to have children three and under (preferably one) in the pool with them during this time and assumes full responsibility for the underage swimmer(s).
15. Only non-swimmers and children age three and under will be allowed in the baby pool.
16. Diapered infants must wear **plastic pants AND swim diapers** to prevent diaper fibers from clogging filters and bacteria.
17. **Diving is permitted in the diving well only.**
18. Flotation devices approved by the lifeguard will be allowed. Please no flaking or deteriorating Styrofoam products in the pool. Flotation devices are not permitted in the diving well. If the pool is crowded, flotation devices may be prohibited at the life-guard's discretion.
19. **Absolutely no playing, climbing, or swimming on or in any of the decorative rock work will be allowed.**
20. A "guest" is defined as a person using the property or recreational facilities of the HPRA Corporation at the invitation of a member and who does not reside within the boundaries of Highland Pointe subdivision. **NON-MEMBER RESIDENTS OF HIGH-LAND POINTE DO NOT QUALIFY AS "GUESTS" AND ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY MEMBERSHIP ACTIVITIES.**
21. A party at the pool involving 15 or more people in the pool and/or on the deck of the pool requires an additional lifeguard. Nautix requires approval from the Highland Pointe office before scheduling guards. Rental Forms can be found on the web-site.

TENNIS DATES TO REMEMBER

Spring ALTA season begins – March 17 (Thursday Women); March 19 (Men);
March 20 (Sunday Women)
Roster deadline for all Summer ALTA teams – April 11
Summer ALTA season begins – June 2 (Senior Women), June 3 (Senior Men),
June 4 (Mixed Doubles)
Fall ALTA registration begins – June 13



For the Spring ALTA season, Highland Pointe has 1 Thursday Women's team, 1 Men's team, and 4 Sunday Women's teams. We would love to have an additional Men's team and Thursday Women's team for Fall 2016, so if you are interested in participating with that effort, please contact Ginger at Tennis@highlandpointe.org.

Reminder to all Highland Pointe Tennis Players...

Highland Pointe has Tennis Rules for the neighborhood, posted on the Highland Pointe web site; we suggest that all HP Tennis players read through the rules, so that you are familiar with captain's responsibilities, procedures to reserve courts, and court conduct before the spring season begins.

CONGRATULATIONS WINTER 2016 B-1 MIXED DOUBLES ALTA TEAM!!!

The *HP Mixed Doubles B-1 ALTA team*, captained by Aline Cornelissen, **WON their Division!** Great playing, Highland Pointe! Team members included: **Amy Ackerstein, Scott Ackerstein, Cindy Conover, Diana Conrad, Aline Cornelissen, Maria Fiorillo, Ricardo Fiorillo, Dave Gunnells, Barbie Palmer, Guillermo Parra, Bruce Pieper, Laura Riedlinger, Katan Savani, Jay Stancil, Marc Wall and Georgette Wrenn.**



MEMORIAL DAY TENNIS SOCIAL

SATURDAY, MAY 28TH - 10:00 AM-1:00 PM

Grab your racquet and tennis balls and meet at the courts for the Annual Memorial Day Tennis Social.



Water, juice, Gatorade and a light lunch will be provided

Rain date is Monday, May 30th, same time

GOLF NEWS

With Spring and warm weather just around the corner, it is time to start thinking about the 2016 HP Golf League season. If you are interested in joining, you may contact Randy Ennever at highlandpointegolf@gmail.com. This is a monthly league, with golfing at different venues in the area. There is a small annual fee of \$6/pp to sign-up in order to use the GOLFSORT.com website. You can send Randy a check or drop off your greenbacks to 4528 North Slope Circle, Marietta, GA 30066.

Also, this 2016 Masters will be the 80th edition of the Masters Tournament. Mark your calendars for Friday, April 8th for the Annual Take off Work Masters Golf Outing. Course TBA. The league is also shooting for a Saturday, March 19th golf outing to kick off the golf season. Looking forward to another great golf year!!!!

LASSITER BAND RECYCLING PROGRAM

The **Lassiter Band Boosters** are continuing their neighborhood recycling program and would like to have your support. Pick up is on the third Saturday of every month; please have your items curbside by 10:00 am. Signs will be posted at the entrance midweek prior to each month's pick up as a convenient reminder. Items that are currently being accepted are **newspapers, magazines, junk mail, office/classroom paper, phone books, and aluminum cans.**



If you are a new resident in Highland Pointe or The Grove at Highland Pointe, please contact the Highland Pointe Office and we will email you a welcome packet.

770-973-0925 or

office@highlandpointe.org

Report Violations to the County-

Did you know Cobb County has a **Quality of Life Task Force**, which brings together Code Enforcement Officers and Police Officers to work together as a unit to enforce zoning codes, as well as other laws generally under the enforcement of the Police Department? Many calls that come to the Board regarding neighbors yards, cars etc. fall under this agency's jurisdiction. The Architectural Control Chairperson encourages residents to report complaints to this Agency because they have the authority to enforce such codes and require compliance before fines are issued by the county.

The Code Enforcement Division will continue to investigate and enforce zoning complaints from the public on a daily basis. The Quality of Life Unit will enforce public safety violations as well as zoning code violations as required. Further information regarding this initiative will be available to the public at a later date. The website is: comdev.cobbcountyga.gov/quality-of-life. This website also lists common violations found in residential neighborhoods, which will help you to determine if someone is violating a Cobb County Code..

WELCOME

to the new families who now call Highland Pointe home. Stop by their house, introduce yourself and say, "Welcome to the Hood!"

Charles & Gretchen Wilson, 3440 Forest Peak Way

Scott & Jennifer Morrow, 4320 Highborne Drive

Chad & Krissi Millinor, 4328 Highborne Drive

Ken & Melissa Rickert, 4516 North Slope Circle

William & Melissa Kruse, 4225 North Mountain Road

Derek Holmes, 4234 North Mountain Road



Where did the Board Minutes Go?

As you know, the Pipeline is published every 3 months. Since the minutes are not approved until the month after the meeting, the meetings are always in arrears. With the new printing schedule, they are 2 months old before they are published. Most of the time, the discussions or actions have already been completed before the residents hear about it. A decision was made to have all minutes included on the Highland Pointe website. The minutes can be located at www.hIGHLANDPOINTE.ORG; click on Board & Minutes of the left side and then the Board Minutes tab.

If you have any issues accessing these documents, please contact the office at 770-973-0925 or email pipeline@highlandpointe.org.



HIGHLAND POINTE NEIGHBORHOOD GARAGE SALE SATURDAY, MARCH 12, 2016 8:00AM - 1:00 PM

Signs will be placed around the neighborhood and advertising will go out to local communities.

Place balloons on your mailbox to show you are participating.

Please contact Erica Fox sconset67@gmail.com or Becky Smith bsmith0808@yahoo.com if you have any questions.



\$365.82

The Essex Mailbox System

2.5" Pineapple Finial
2.5" OD x 6' Powder Coated Aluminum Pole
Aluminum Mounting Plate
Standard Elite Mailbox
2.5" Charleston Cast Aluminum Base
Essex Cast Aluminum Mailbox Bracket
Set of 3" Gold Reflective Numbers
All pieces are Rust free cast aluminum with
stainless steel hardware
Durable and rich black powder coat finish



www.addressesofdistinction.com
Phone: 770-436-6198

Is your mailbox looking a little tired or in need of repair? Addresses of Distinction is still offering these two mailboxes at last years price. If you are new to Highland Pointe or have decided to spruce up a little, call **Addresses of Distinction** and order your new mailbox. Contact Ryan Martin and identify yourself as an Highland Pointe resident.



\$417.08

The Regency Mailbox System

3.0" Ball Finial
3.0" OD x 6' Powder Coated Aluminum Pole
Aluminum Mounting Plate
Large Elite Mailbox
3.0" Tall Fluted Cast Aluminum Base
Essex Cast Aluminum Mailbox Bracket
Set of 3" Gold Reflective Numbers
All pieces are Rust free cast aluminum with
stainless steel hardware
Durable and rich black powder coat finish

Pricing includes removal and disposal of existing mailbox, installation of new mailbox to USPS regulatory codes and sales tax.

DID YOU KNOW.....

All homeowners are bound by our neighborhood covenants and are responsible to maintain their lot and the exterior in a "neat, attractive and safe condition." Such maintenance include - not limited to - "painting, repairing, replacing and care for roofs, shrubs, grass, walks, and other exterior improvements." Keep in mind that how well you maintain your property will enhance your home's value as well as the overall appearance of our neighborhood.

The Architectural Control Committee is charged with the duty to cite properties that need attention regarding exterior maintenance. Please take these notices seriously. They express a concern to maintain the overall appearance of **OUR** neighborhood.

It's an exciting time to live in Highland Pointe! We all have the same goal: maintain the aesthetics of Highland Pointe and with that, maintain property values.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding home property maintenance, please contact the ACC at acc@highlandpointe.org.



Responsibility of a Pet Owner

There's no good way to put it, but Highland Pointe is covered in dog poop: it is all along the walking paths, sidewalks, and playground area. As a reminder, dog owners are *required by county ordinance* to clean up after their dogs—even in their own yards! If you let your dog out in your front yard, you are still required to clean it up per ordinance. If you are out walking your dog, take several bags for clean up. And never let your dogs roam the neighborhood. Please be a responsible pet owner and a considerate neighbor.

Residents are asked to report violations at <https://www.cobbcountygov.org/secure/animalcontrol/complaints.htm>. This online form can be used for loose and/or barking dogs as well.

No pets are allowed in the Highland Pointe Clubhouse, upstairs or downstairs, in the pool area or on the tennis courts. Dogs in the pool area are a health violation. Please be considerate of your neighbors.



Directories Delivered

The 2016 Highland Pointe directories have been delivered! Thank you to Jaime Turner, Leslie Swichcow, Herb Ciesla, Rachel Garman, Theresa Koehler, Miriam Hanson, Michelle Vientos, Susie Born, Kathy Fishman, Tommy and Michael Finchler, Adrienne Bruckman, Leslie Ball, Jean Kahn, Ron Sedgley, Chris & Sharon Cantu, Maria Fiorillo and Dave Roedersheimer for delivering them!

If you are a paying member of the homeowners' association, and you have not received your directory, please contact the office at (770) 973-0925 or email office@highlandpointe.org.

**Have a
Great
Summer!**

CLASSIFIED AD RATES & INFO
PUBLISHED QUARTERLY

Quarter Page Ad

\$35.00 Per Issue Quarter-page ad. This ad measures approximately 3 1/2 in. wide x 4 1/4 in. long.

Half Page Ad

\$60.00 Per Issue 1/2 page ad. This ad measures approximately 6 1/2 in. wide x 4 1/2 in. long.

Full Page Ad

\$110.00 Per Issue Full page ad. This ad measures approximately 6 1/2 in. wide x 9 in. long.

Business Card Ad

\$10.00 Per Issue business card sized ad. These ads are approximately 44 characters per line including spaces. This Ad measures 3 1/2 in. wide x 2 in. long.

5% Discount when prepaid for 4 Issues

10% Discount when prepaid for 8 Issues

**Discounts are based on running the SAME ad for the full discount period!! Any change (other than error correction) will require payment of the difference to the non-discounted rate, PLUS artwork fee of \$20 unless the new ad is provided camera-ready.

Ads must be placed and paid for by the 15th of the month for inclusion in the next issue.

For more information on placing an ad, call the Highland Pointe Office at 770-973-0925.

Please send payments to the office address:

HPRA OFFICE
3750 Club House Court
Marietta, GA 30066

*Thank you Mosquito Authority
For providing free mosquito treatments to
Highland Pointe's Recreation Area*

Enjoy a **FREE** mosquito barrier by
The Mosquito Authority!

**Great for Kids. Great for Pets.
Bad for Mosquitoes.**

- Optimal enjoyment of your backyard
- No bug repellent on the kids, no more citronella torches or candles —just mosquito-free outdoor living
- EPA-approved solution applied to trees, shrubs and foliage, by trained staff, to your outdoor living areas so can reclaim your outdoor space
- Effectively kills all of the mosquitoes present at the time of application and serves as an odorless, invisible barrier that keeps other mosquitoes away

WE GUARANTEE MOSQUITO FREE!



- Barrier spray is specially formulated to be beneficial to honey bees, ladybugs and butterflies
- If you like the results, **The Mosquito Authority** can return once every three weeks during mosquito season to reapply their barrier spray formula*



*Return visits based on 21 day treatments for the entire mosquito season. Ask for details.

Call (404) 345-9572 and say **Highland Pointe** for a **FREE** mosquito treatment

Home Improvement Minute

brought to you by



www.casteelair.com 770-504-4738

Hello Neighbors!

My name is Angie Bizot and I am beginning my 3rd year serving on the Highland Pointe board. My 1st two years were as the Clubhouse representative with a bit of landscaping and grounds thrown in.

Currently I am serving as the grounds representative. During my time on the board, I have learned so much...waaaay more than I wanted to, I'm afraid! In my first year alone, we had to build a new deck and completely overhaul the electrical systems in the clubhouse and pool area. And plumbing! Oh, don't get me started on the plumbing...some things are best left to the imagination!

The first big electrical issue I had to tackle was the clubhouse/pool electrical upgrade. Many of you may remember the pool light breaker shutting the lights off during swim meets a few years ago. Tip of the iceberg folks! Turns out over the years, our electrical had become a mish mash of repairs, patches and corrosion. Also, building codes had changed and because the electrical panel was located in the pool maintenance room with all of the corrosive fumes, we were now out of compliance with county codes. Compliance in this area is really important! As I began collecting estimates for the project, I found the prices tended to fluctuate wildly. Licensed or unlicensed? Permit or no permit? Relocate the breaker box or leave it in place? My head was spinning! Luckily, the last company to come look at the situation was Casteel. I always thought of them as a heating and cooling company, but Casteel also has a plumbing division as well as an electrical division. John Hillis is the owner/president, and he happens to live right here in Highland Pointe. John and the director of the electrical division, Chris Ferguson, explained exactly

what needed to be done and why, as well how they would do it. Were they the lowest price? No, the unlicensed plumber was lower - duh! But that is not a risk the board was willing to take with our community amenities. Some of the previous hodge podge electrical work was part of the current problem. Casteel got the job and did it on time, on budget and with minimal disruption to the pool schedule. Working with them was a pleasure! The most important thing I have learned while overseeing these projects is that a company who can deliver quality, reliability and service is tough to find. I know, I know, I sound like a commercial! But it has been my experience personally, and as a board member that Casteel delivers. Since then, Casteel plumbing has overhauled some of the clubhouse toilets (don't ask!) and replaced corroded sections of the plumbing stack. And yes, we have had a heating/cooling maintenance contract with them for years! Also keep an eye out for changes at our front and Wigley entrances. The Casteel electrical division does landscape and security lighting, so we are working with them on a landscape lighting project which will repair and update the lighting at those entrances. We are also adding a new page to the Pipeline called "Ask the Expert" in which representatives from Casteel will give advice and information on some popular home maintenance projects. If you want information on Nest thermostats, security lighting, heat pumps and heck, even comfort height toilets, you may find it in this column. I hope you find it useful!

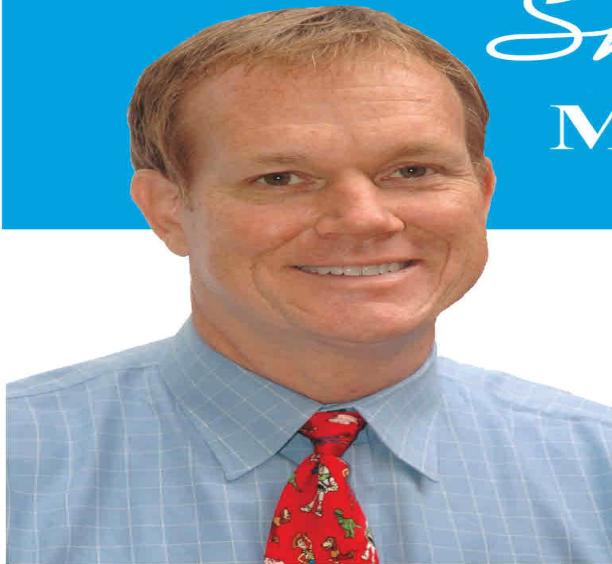
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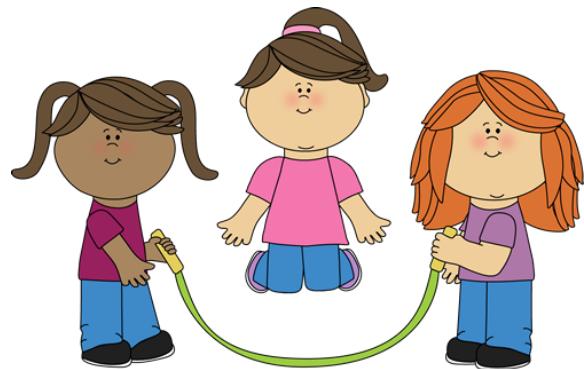


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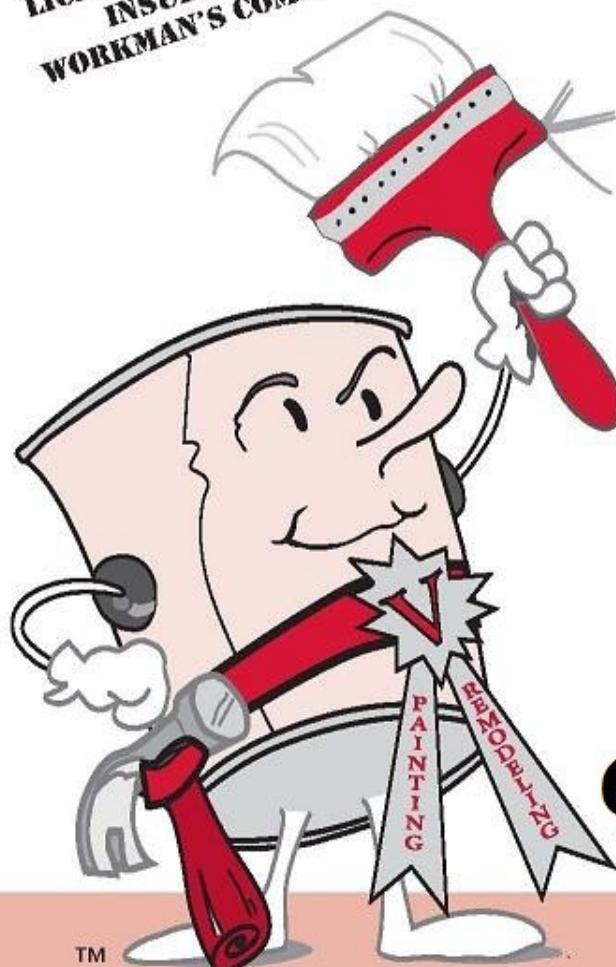


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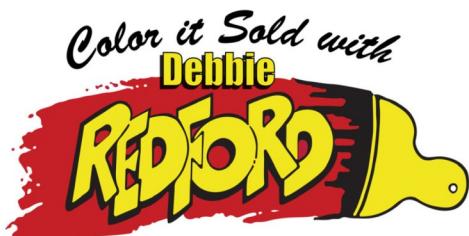
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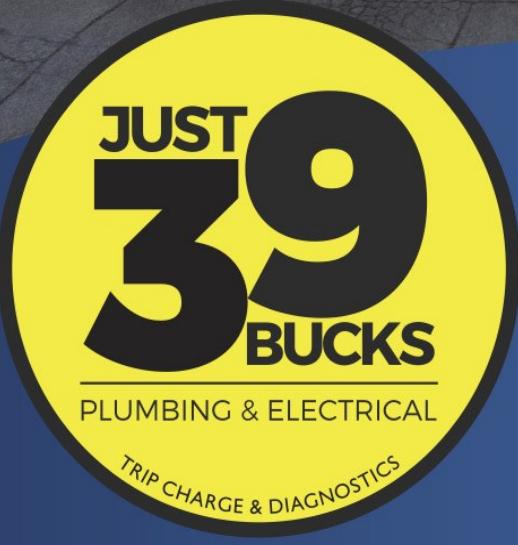


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