

The Trace Newsletter

May 7, 2024

Dear Fellow Homeowners,

We wanted to make you aware of some current or future potential activities in your subdivision.

Brightside Landscapes is our new landscaping company. Last year's HOA Board agreed to a one- year contract for their services. The services that Brightside provides are very similar to the landscaping services that have been provided to our HOA in the past. Brightside will also be installing pine straw in all common areas and around the entire exterior perimeter of your home. The pine straw application is expected to happen soon, although a service date has not yet been established. Bush trimmings are also expected soon. We have asked Charleston Management to provide homeowners with advance notice as to when these landscaping activities will occur.

We have received Homeowner feedback that the appearance of the subdivision entrance area could be improved. We are looking at the possibility of installing some perennial plantings at the entrance. Ramesh and Sumathi (1000 Dotson Way) have graciously offered the HOA access to their water, to ensure that any new plantings get off to a good start!

We would like to repaint the gold highlighted lettering and border on each entrance column sign. The HOA repainted the signs several years ago. Mother Nature has taken her toll. The sign repainting will help to give our entrance a fresh look. Our thanks to Amaya (1012 Dotson Way) for volunteering to take on this task!

The retention pond area looks quite bad. This area does not make a positive statement for our subdivision. HOA members met with the Town of Apex representatives who oversee retention ponds. These representatives provided us with a listing of water-based plants that are suitable for pond settings. The HOA Board will need to gather more information before a decision can be made.

The Board is currently reviewing all existing HOA covenants. More information is expected to be provided in the future.

We want to give everyone an opportunity to meet their fellow homeowners. A Meet Your Neighbor Block Party is being planned. Hayf will be providing more information by email in the future.

We are looking for volunteers to serve on the Architectural Committee. We would love your help. The Trace Architectural Guidelines and Appearance Standards can be found on the Charleston Management website. If you are interested, then please contact an HOA Board member. Thank you, Surah (1012 Dotson Way) for joining the Architectural Committee!

Best Regards,

Dave Everett – President Hayf Al-Mussiwar – Vice President Dave Wilkinson – Secretary/
Treasurer