

Raspberry Falls HOA Newsletter

August 2017



Summer Newsletter

Communications Committee Update

Do you have any pictures or items that you think would enhance our community's website (raspberryyfalls.org)? If so, please email us at raspberry.hoa.secretary@gmail.com. The Communications Committee will use your suggestions to update the website in the coming months. We all know what a great place this is to live and we want to make sure it's apparent to those who visit us online!

The Communications Committee is pleased to continue its quarterly newsletter to provide all residents a brief snapshot of our community and the activities of the 2017 HOA Board. To learn more about the HOA and our current events, we encourage you to visit our community website raspberryyfalls.org or attend an HOA Board of Directors meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for September 12 at Homewood Suites. Also, if you have not yet joined our Facebook group, **Raspberry Falls Residents**, we invite you to do . It's a great way to get community notifications and engage with other residents. You may also use our internal Resident Directory, raspberryyfalls.org/directory/, to contact your neighbors. If you have any ideas on how we may improve our communications, please email raspberry.hoa.secretary@raspberryyfalls.org.

Social Committee Updates

August 26: Morven Park is in its inaugural season of "Polo in the Park". The event includes arena polo matches, picnicking and dancing. They are extending a discount night to Raspberry Falls residents on August 26 at 7pm. Please check out the link shared in the electronic version of this newsletter (which has been emailed to you). This link will allow you to buy a car pass for only \$30 in advance, instead of paying \$40 at the gate.

September 4: Pool Closing Party (11am-4pm)
Food and refreshments will be provided by the Golf Course for lunch; ice cream will be provided by the HOA in the afternoon.

October 8: Community Garage Sale (8-12pm)

October 29: Bonfire at Raspberry Plain (5-9pm).
Additional details to follow.

December 9: Adult-only Holiday Party at Raspberry Falls Golf & Hunt Club . Additional details to follow.

Design Guidelines & Maintenance Standards

Below are the highlights of our revised HOA guidelines and standards. To view the complete document, visit: <http://www.raspberrysfalls.org/residents-only/architectural-modifications/>.

FENCES

- Wood fences may either be natural in color (and properly stained for durability) or may be painted black
- Metal landscape mesh may be placed on the outside of fences for owners with swimming pools, to comply with Loudoun County pool safety codes

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Additional language has been added to the application to help neighbors who want to follow up with the board regarding application questions

FLAG POLES

- Permanent and/or temporary freestanding flagpoles are prohibited

EXTERIOR DECORATIVE OBJECTS & SEASONAL DÉCOR

- No letter is required for homeowners to get permission to remove décor if they plan to be out of town

GARAGE DOORS

- No application is required if replacement is consistent with the style and color installed by the builder; otherwise, an application is required

RECREATIONAL & PLAY EQUIPMENT

- The color of play equipment must be neutral (dark green, brown, beige, taupe, or grey)

MAINTENANCE UPDATE

- Obvious mold must be removed from the exterior of the home

Route 15 & VDOT Update

- A complete Route 15 Update will be shared during the next HOA meeting on Tuesday, September 12.
- The HOA will attempt to get traffic calming measures for Raspberry Drive approved in an electronic format. Following our July BOD meeting, we have followed up with VDOT and Loudoun County on questions raised by the community regarding stop signs, raised cart paths and traffic islands. We hope to have more information on this topic to share with the community on August 27th.

**Please take five minutes to complete this survey from the
HOA Social Committee to help us plan upcoming
social events for our community:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/rasphoa>