

## JULY 2020 RIVERMIST

### **FIREWISE #001 RIVER'S EDGE COMMUNITY LIBRARY**

As part of our grant proposal, River's Edge is proud to have the first EVER Firewise Community Little Library. It was created and built by Jim and Mary Ellen Cates from scrap lumber at no cost to the Association. Although it will have Firewise information, it will also have books donated by members of the Association for your enjoyment with Smokey bookmarks. If you wish to donate books, please bring them to Linda at the front office, or you may put them in the library. You should realize, however, that your books may not be returned to the library. No books should be



donated, unless you don't want to keep them anymore. Once donated, they will be stamped as part of the River's Edge Smokey Library. Please help us make this a success!

If you want to make a community little library, please submit to Don Findell a rough plan, the colors and the location where you wish to install it. Please do not locate your library on a busy street, or near an intersection where it might create traffic issues. Also, do not locate it on top of water lines, or where cars will park on water lines to access it.

Firewise #001 has been installed. It is located on Mountain Springs Circle in the common area. There has been a small area cleared directly in front of it. Please park on the inside of the circle, so as to avoid damage to the water lines.

### **BECAUSE YOU KNOW YOU WANT TO KNOW**

For those who still like to hold books, the following are our initial donations:

- Firewise Communities* by Firewise USA
- Two DVDS on *Your Home Can Survive a Wildfire*
- One DVD on *Wildfire, Preventing Home Ignitions*
- Shadow Song* by Atlanta author Terry Kay
- She Flies without Wings: How Horses Touch a Woman's Soul* by Mary Midkiff
- The Strangler* by William Landay
- The Boy Who Danced with Rabbits* by Appalachian author, J.R. Collins
- The Beach Trees* by Atlanta author Karen White
- The Reckoning and The Innocent Man* by John Grisham
- Most Dangerous Place* by James Grippano, a Jack Swyteck novel

*Murder in the White House* by Margaret Truman  
*The Four Agreements* by Don Miguel Ruiz  
*Messages from the Masters* by Brian Weiss, M.D.  
*Minding the Body, Mending the Mind* by Joan Borysenko, PhD  
*Untamed* by Glennon Doyle.

## **ARCHITECTURAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

Excessive water use can adversely affect the reliability and cost of maintaining our system of wells in River's Edge. Wells can run dry temporarily, causing inconvenience to homeowners, and the attendant cost of replacement filters and chemicals increase the well management expenses.

Maintenance of water features, such as filling pools, has contributed to such occurrences in the past. As a result, the Architectural Committee and the Board has determined that, in order to minimize the potential for such occurrences in the future, constraints should be placed on the future construction of water features in the Community. Thus, the Board has adopted the following provision to be incorporated into the River's Edge Estates Architectural Standards:

"There shall be no in ground or above ground pools (except for those in existence on the date of adoption of this provision). For so long as River's Edge is on a well system, there shall be no in ground or above ground pools. Any other water feature will be evaluated and approval or disapproval will be subject to the stress, expense and continuing water usage they place on the wells."

Also, in order to minimize disruption to the quality of life of our residents, the following provision has been adopted regarding construction on Sunday:

"No construction shall be permitted on Sunday in River's Edge Estates, with the exception of construction that is being performed personally by a River's Edge Estates property owner or members of the property owner's family. This prohibition shall be waived when there is an instance of a bonafide emergency that represents an immediate threat to the health or safety of the property owners or to a structure on the property."

The Architectural Rules and Regulations are on the River's Edge Website and have been filed at the Gilmer County Courthouse in the Deed Records.

## **ANNUAL MEETING CANCELLED**

Due to health concerns, we regret that the Annual Meeting has been cancelled by Special Resolution of the Board. As permitted by our By-laws, the election of one board seat and approval or disapproval of the budget will be by mail in Proxy. You will be notified in a timely manner so as not to disrupt the business of the Association.

## A SPECIAL NIGHT IN RIVER'S EDGE



July 18<sup>th</sup> was an exciting evening for a small group of residents. The Edge Entertainment Group invited all to attend a live outdoor musical concert. Residents Markham and Sherri White provided the entertainment. Markham is a career/professional musician and singer who plays with several bands, and he brought his best band to this performance.

The virus kept the attendance low. The band was positioned on the porch of the White's home, and concert goers were seated some 30 feet away on the street above, and their chairs were 8 to 10 feet between.

It soon became apparent that this was a professional, seasoned band with extraordinary musicians. Everyone was singing, smiling and swaying to the music, and really enjoying themselves. It was a magical evening.

Thank you Markham and Sherri for creating an event that transported everyone into the happy times of yesterday through the power and perfection of their music.

### RIVER'S EDGE WINDSHIELD STICKERS

River's Edge windshield stickers are available at the Association Office. These should be attached to the driver's side lower windshield

