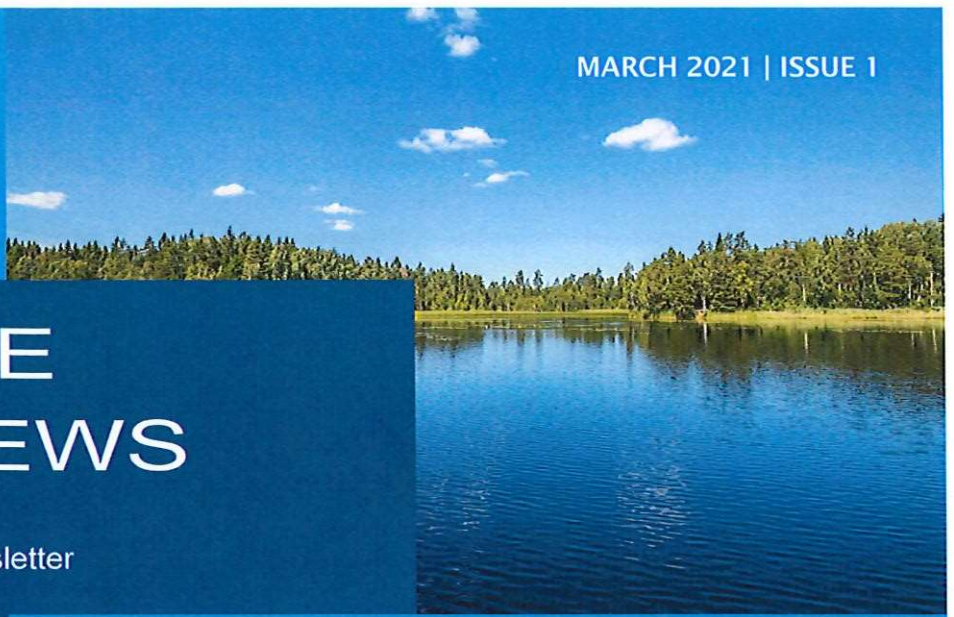


# PARKSIDE LAKES NEWS

Homeowners Quarterly Newsletter



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## **NEW BCM REPRESENTATIVE**

Our new BCM Services representative for Parkside Lakes HOA is Marji Vetter. She can be reached at 904-242-0666 ext. 108 or [mvetter@bcmservices.net](mailto:mvetter@bcmservices.net). BCM's website is [www.bcmervices.net](http://www.bcmervices.net).

## **BOD PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

With each passing day, 2020 looks smaller and smaller in our collective rearview mirror. While last year was challenging and difficult for everyone, for me personally it instilled a newfound appreciation of all the conveniences that I think we used to take for granted. I hope everyone was able to find some way to make the most of a trying time – maybe you took up a new hobby, or got around to finishing that project that's been outstanding for what seems like forever. Most importantly, we got to spend more time with our immediate families.

As 2021 rolls along and we can start to get back to normal, it's time to expand that intimacy beyond the four walls of our individual homes and out into our community. To that end, we on the board want to really focus on establishing additional avenues of communication, and we have several initiatives planned for this year that will give everyone the opportunity to be better informed about what is going on around Parkside Lakes. This newsletter you are reading now is one such communication, but others include recurring board meetings and our Parkside Lakes website (if you haven't seen it yet, be sure to check it out here!). But that's not all we on the board have planned. We are going to be exploring new projects for the City of Jacksonville Grant program, are in the early stages of planning a beautification contest, and have a few other initiatives in the works. And as we embark on all of these various projects, we're counting on your ideas, suggestions, and feedback to make sure we're on the right track. It is not just the board and volunteers that will make our 2021 a success – it is each and every one of you. We all do it together.

Parkside Lakes has always been a great place to live and play, and it is only going to get better. I am excited for what the coming months have in store for us all!

Here is to a great year,

Kelli



## TRAFFIC CONCERNS

You may have noticed that we still have issues with speeding and reckless driving within our neighborhood. There are many children and pets that live within our subdivision, and it is everyone's concern to help address this matter. To take further action, we need assistance from City of Jacksonville (COJ) Traffic Engineering. Our neighborhood does not qualify for speed bumps, but we potentially qualify for reduced speed limits with accompanying signage (current neighborhood speed limit is 30 mph). This would require a review by COJ Traffic Engineering, a neighborhood meeting where COJ Traffic Engineering presents the findings and options to our neighbors, a petition including at least 75-percent of our homeowners who support the changes, and our neighborhood paying the costs of any signage installed in locations COJ determines. Any changes start with you contacting COJ (either our City Council Representative, Councilman Michael Boylan - District 6: [myboylan@coj.net](mailto:myboylan@coj.net) / 904-255-5206 or COJ Traffic Engineering: 904-630-CITY / [630CITY.coj.net](http://630CITY.coj.net)). You should also contact COJ to request any safety improvements to the roundabout at the entrance of our neighborhood regarding the 3 accidents since June 2020.

## BENCH UPDATE

We provide this update sharing both good and bad news. The bench was installed on Saturday, January 23rd. Thank you to all those that volunteered to install the bench. Two days before the ribbon-cutting ceremony, a driver attacked our entrance again, driving through the grass, two street signs, the newly installed bench, and a mailbox. The bench was destroyed. On February 12th, we received our bench grant reimbursement from COJ. The wonderful follow-up is that Kelli Reynolds (our BOD President) has purchased a replacement bench and donated it to our neighborhood. The bench was installed on March 20, 2021. Once again thank you to the volunteers that assisted in the installation.

## BOARD MEMBER UPDATE

During our Annual Meeting, held on December 12, 2020, elections were held for the Board of Directors (BOD) positions that were completed. Our new BOD is:

- ♦ Kelli Reynolds, President
- ♦ Patricia Baker, Vice-President
- ♦ William Hanzel, Vice-President
- ♦ Kent Haines, Treasurer
- ♦ Wendy Norfleet, Treasurer
- ♦ Kelley Gast, Secretary
- ♦ Jaclyn Rhodes, Secretary

## WEBSITE

Parkside Lakes now has a website that will be your one-stop shop for forms, records, meeting dates, and other neighborhood information.

The website is  
[www.parksidelakesjax.com](http://www.parksidelakesjax.com).



## HOA BOARD & ANNUAL MEETINGS

Meeting scheduled for 2021 are:



3/25/2021 - Board Meeting

6/24/2021 - Board Meeting

9/30/2021 - Board Meeting

11/18/2021 - Board Meeting

12/02/2021 - Annual Meeting

**All meetings start at 6:30 pm**

## BEAUTIFICATION CONTEST

Spring is almost here and its that time of year for us to take a look at our landscaping and start working on the outside of our homes. To make this chore fun, we are holding our 1st Annual Beautification Contest. Top prize will be a \$50 gift card to Home Depot and a yard sign. Three community volunteers will judge by walking through the neighborhood on Saturday, May 1, 2021, to review homes/yards. Winners will be announced on in our 2nd Newsletter and on our Website. To volunteer as a judge, please email [ParksideLakesJax@Gmail.com](mailto:ParksideLakesJax@Gmail.com). If you are a judge, you cannot be entered into the contest.

## LET'S ALL PRACTICE BEING A GOOD NEIGHBOR

All will concede that in order to have good neighbors, we must also be good neighbors. - Harry S. Truman

## COMMUNITY IDEAS

We are looking for community suggestions, both for activities that can be done and for our next grant application (2022). If you have a suggestion, we would love to hear it! Email us at [ParksideLakesJax@Gmail.com](mailto:ParksideLakesJax@Gmail.com) or submit through [www.parksidelakesjax.com](http://www.parksidelakesjax.com).

