

Holiday 2019 Newsletter

HAW CREEK HOLIDAY PARTY ON DECEMBER 5



Haw Creek Community Association

HOLIDAY PARTY

Potluck Dinner and Family-Friendly Fun Thursday, December 5 at 6:00 pm Bethesda UMC at Haw Creek Commons

Join the Haw Creek Community Association for our annual holiday party and potluck on **Thursday, December 5 beginning at 6:00 pm**. This free, family-friendly party is open to all our neighbors. The HCCA will be providing the main dish, including a vegetarian option. Please <u>RSVP and sign up</u> to bring a side dish or dessert.

Thank you to our neighbors at <u>Bethesda UMC at Haw Creek Commons</u> for hosting this party for our neighborhood. We look forward to seeing you!

HOLIDAY SAFETY TIPS FROM APD OFFICER FOX

We are getting close to the holiday season, and many families will be traveling for extended periods of time. To keep your home and community safe through the holiday season, these simple steps can reduce your chances of being a victim while away from home.

- Make sure all doors and windows are secured before leaving your residence.
- If you plan to have a house/animal sitter, give them a spare key prior to
- leaving instead of stashing a key somewhere.
- Make sure all vehicles left on the premises are locked.If you have security cameras, make sure they are operating properly.
- Visit your local post office and have them hold your mail until you return. This can also be done on the USPS website.
- Do not post specifics about your travel plans on social media.
- Let your neighbors know you will be out of town, so they can keep an eye on your property.

Have a happy and safe holiday season!

Asheville Police Department's Officer Colby Fox serves as the community resource officer for Haw Creek. He serves as a liaison between the community and the police department and can assist neighbors with non-emergency issues. He can be reached at <u>cfox@ashevillenc.gov</u> or 828-251-4043.

HAW CREEK WORKING TO BECOME BEARWISE

Haw Creek is proud to be one of the two Asheville neighborhoods participating in the Urban/Suburban Bear Study through NC State University and the NC Wildlife Resource Commission. Bears are still active in our neighborhood this fall as they prepare for winter. Has your family begun implementing the <u>six BearWise basics</u> to

UPDATE ON ASHEVILLE NOISE ORDINANCE

Thank you to everyone who provided feedback throughout the City of Asheville's Noise Ordinance revision process. The HCCA has been heavily involved in each stage through our membership in the Coalition of Asheville Neighborhoods. A draft ordinance is scheduled to be presented in early 2020. You can follow along with the process on this website.

BOARD MEMBER ELECTIONS COMING IN MARCH 2020

Want to give back to your neighborhood? HCCA board member elections are coming up in March 2020. Both oneand two-year terms are available. Email us today at info@ilovehawcreek.com to learn more.

MEMBERSHIP

Continue your support of our neighborhood.

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MEDICARE PRESENTATION <u>A SUCCESS</u>

Thank you to the 60+ neighbors who gathered in October to learn more about the Medicare program, including changes coming in 2020 and how to enroll. A special thank you to the <u>Council on Aging</u> for sharing this important information with our community.

EAST ASHEVILLE HOLIDAY MARKET ON 12/13

Click the image below to learn more about the Holiday Market happening at the East Asheville safely live with black bears?



UPDATE ON PLANNED NEW HAW CREEK SIDEWALK

At the HCCA's September community meeting, the project manager Lora Sepion shared an update on the planned sidewalk between Bell Road and Beverly Road along New Haw Creek Road. Based on the feedback she received at the HCCA's March meeting, the current plans reduces the number of crossings from four to two, which will be marked with high-visibility lights and signs.

You can view the current design plans by <u>clicking on this link</u>. The initial design phase is expected to be completed at the end of 2019 and there will be opportunities to provide public comment on them before the plans are finalized. The HCCA will keep you informed of these opportunities.

Are you passionate about sidewalks and other transportation options for Haw Creek? The HCCA is working to identify priority locations for future sidewalk expansion in Haw Creek and we need your help. Email us today at info@ilovehawcreek.com if you want to help.

HAW CREEK ELEMENTARY PTA SPONSORS LENDING LIBRARY AT SPRUCE HILL APARTMENTS

The Haw Creek Elementary School PTA, through a generous donation from the Friends of East Asheville Library and a match from Mr K's Used Books, recently sponsored the construction and installation of a lending library at Spruce Hill apartments. Over \$200 worth of books at the new lending library. The PTA will continue to collect gently used children's books through the end of the year. They may be dropped of at HCES.

ABOUT US

Haw Creek Community Association is a 501(c)3. We are volunteers that help the community stay informed. If you would like to get involved, please email us.





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NEIGHBORHOOD CALENDAR

Check out our calendar to stay informed about community events.



We can help promote your community event. Email us today.

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Tailgate Market on Friday,