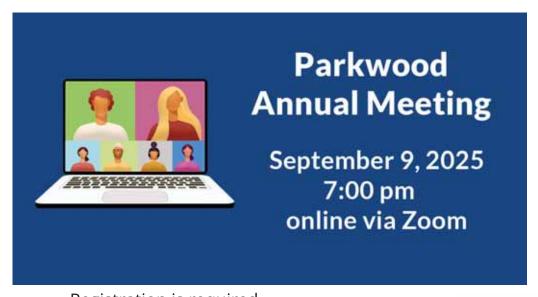
# Parkwood Press &

The Parkwood Association Neighborhood Newsletter



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Online Registration available at
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scan the QR Code to the right or
you may return form received via US Mail to the PA Office.

Deadline for Registration is Friday, September 5, 2025 by 5 pm.

If you have questions, please reach out to the Parkwood Office, pa.office@parkwoodnc.org



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# Parkwood Flea Market

Our Fall Flea Market is scheduled for Saturday, October 4th 8am-Noon.

Look for further information on page 4



There's a small area in the eastern side of Parkwood which, while shown on the map and visited regularly by residents, may not be familiar to everyone — since it's surrounded by the houses on Emerald Circle and there aren't any signs marking the entrances, there's no way to tell there's a common area park behind the houses.

It's called "Emerald Park" appropriately enough, as you can see on the map below. It's a nice little 1.2-acre glade, great for dog walking, playing games with the kids, having a picnic, or just strolling or biking across and out the other side (on the way over to Emerald Pond across the street, for example, where there's a picnic table and a bench).

Emerald Park's official address is 107 Emerald Circle, and the north entrance is between 105 and 109 Emerald Circle. The southwest entrance is between 127 and 131 Emerald Circle, with the somewhat overgrown eastern entrance located between 1810 and 1806 Euclid Rd. Give this little gem a visit sometime!



The north entrance, between 105 and 109 Emerald Cir.



The eastern entrance, between 1810 and 1806 Euclid Rd.





The southwest entrance, between 127 and 131 Emerald Cir.

### Parkwood Board

2024 - 2025

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\*Serving At-Large

The PA Board meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 7 pm via Zoom

#### Parkwood on Social Media

#### ParkwoodNC Google Group

https://groups.google.com/g/parkwoodnc

#### Parkwood on Facebook:

https://www.facebook.com/ParkwoodNC

#### Parkwood on Instagram:

https://www.instagram.com/parkwoodnc/

#### Parkwood's Website

Familiar Parkwood Resources and more can be found at our website,

# https://parkwoodnc.org/

#### **Advertise in Parkwood Press**

Place your Business Card, Quarter Page, Half or Full Page Ad in our newsletter.

Email the Parkwood Association Office for pricing and further details, pa.office@parkwoodnc.org.

## Parkwood Office

Parkwood Association 1417 Seaton Road Durham, NC 27713

Phone: (919) 544-2161 Email: pa.office@parkwoodnc.org Website: parkwoodnc.org

Office Hours: Wednesday 2:30 - 5:00 pm

Laura Denny, our office administrator, is available by email or phone. Please allow 24 hours for a reply.

# Please do not park on Parkwood Parklands



We continue to notice an unsettling trend in some of our parklands. Residents of nearby homes seem to be using parkland space as extra parking. This is not permissible.

The issue is most obvious on some of our circles where there is parkland in the center section and homes only along the outside.

Please do not park in these parklands.

# **Posting Signs in Parkwood**

Are you searching for your lost pet? Planning a Yard Sale?

It is ok to post banners and signs in our neighborhood to ask for help or to advertise your event but please remember to remove the signs.

When you find your pet or once your event is over, please collect your posters or signs.

# **Clermont Culvert**

The Parks & Lawns Committee would like your help encouraging the City of Durham to fulfill their agreement to address the concerns about the Clermont Culvert, (which runs below Clermont Rd between the Lotus Pond (Lake Forebay) and Parkwood Lake.

Currently Parkwood funds are being used to contract to remove accumulated debris biweekly from the inlet to help reduce storm-induced flooding. Please refer to the front page of the July 2025 Parkwood Press for more information.

To express concern or ask for updates or information, please contact Greg Smith, P.E., with Durham City Public Works Department. 919-749-8785.

# **Newsletter Delivery Options**

All Parkwood Homes receive a minimum of two paper issues of the Parkwood Press per year. These are currently scheduled for January and July.

Are you receiving Paper Copies but prefer Digital?
Let us know that you no longer wish to receive the every month paper copy.

Do you want to receive a paper copy of the Parkwood Press Every Month? Join our Opt-In List to have a paper copy delivered to your doorstep every month.

Email pa.office@parkwoodnc.org to make delivery change requests.



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# Parkwood Flea Market Rules and Guidelines

- 1. Spaces are assigned on a first come first served basis.
- 2. Please set up in the space you were assigned when you registered.
- 3. No Tables are provided
- 4. No Food for Sale
- 5. No Knives or weapons may be sold.
- 6. No pets may be sold or given away.
- 7. All unsold items must be removed by the vendor.
- 8. Deposit Required. \$5 will reserve up to 2 spaces.
  - a. Parkwood Residents will receive a refund of the deposit once the event is over, and your space has been
    - cleared and cleaned.
- 9. Non-Parkwood resident have a \$5 non-
- refundable fee.

### Who Do I Call?

**Speeding and other traffic issues.** Please contact the Police by either dialing 911 or the Durham Police Department non-emergency number 919-560-4600.

Pets running loose without a leash. If a dog is not aggressive but seems lost, and you are comfortable, you could try to lure him into a backyard and find the owner. But if you are not comfortable doing this, please call Durham County Animal Control which is handled through the Sheriff's Department. 919-560-0630.

Cars parked on lawns, trash in the front yard, overgrown lawns. If you wish to report this kind of issue you can either contact PA at pa.office@parkwoodnc.org or contact the Neighborhood Improvement Services (NIS) directly by emailing nis-codeenforcement@durhamnc.gov or calling 919-560-1647

Cars, trailers or trucks parked on the streets. The Durham Police Department enforces parking on public streets and should be contacted at the Durham Police Department non-emergency number 919-560-4600.

Keep in mind, sometimes a problem can be handled quickly by a friendly conversation. Sometimes starting the conversation with an offer to help works wonders. You never know, that person with the overgrown lawn may be ill or injured and unable to mow the lawn. Thank you for being a good neighbor.



SAVE THE DATE
November 15, 2025 11am-4pm





# **Bulky Item Pickup**

Residents can submit a request online at <a href="https://www.durhamnc.gov/durham-one-call">www.durhamnc.gov/durham-one-call</a> or call Durham One Call at 919-560-1200.

Generally, 3 items can be picked up for Free.

When disposing of appliances, all food and debris must be removed prior to collection. Remove or secure doors to eliminate potential hazards to children. When disposing of lawn equipment, gasoline, oil and any other fluids must be removed before collection.

#### **Prohibited Items**

There are items that are excluded from Bulky Item curbside service. These items should be disposed of at the City's Waste Disposal and Recycling Center, located at 2115 East Club Boulevard.

# **Quilting and Sewing Group Meeting at Parkwood Community Center**

**Sew Fun Parkwood** is a bee loosely associated with the Durham Orange Quilters. The group meets Thursday evenings at 6:30 at the Parkwood HOA building.

Members bring current projects (usually, but not always quilting) to work on and enjoy the conversation.

For more information, contact Diane Wold, <u>diane.e.wold@gmail.com</u>.

## Serve on the Parkwood Board of Directors for a 1 Year Term

We expect to have open seats on the Parkwood Association Board of Directors and are seeking candidates to represent their neighbors and serve in an at-large capacity for a term of 1 year.

Self-Nominations for a 2 year term to the PA Board were due at the end of July but you may still run for a 1 year term.

Nominations will be taken at the Parkwood Association Annual meeting on Tuesday, September 9th.

Candidates will be elected at this time would serve in an at large capacity through September 2026. It is not required that you live in the district you represent if you are elected "at large". See the bylaws and district map at parkwoodnc.org for more information.

To serve on the Parkwood Board of Directors you must be

- A resident and homeowner in Parkwood
- Current on all assessments and payments to the Association
- Available for Board meetings 2nd Thursday of every month 7 pm
- Be willing to serve on at least one Parkwood committee: Finance, Parks & Lawns, Parkland Planning, Events or Community Garden.



Join us on Gunday!

1515 Clermont Road, Durham, NC 27713

9:15am Equip Class

Steps to Faith

Parkside Kids and Youth

10:30am Worship Service

Childcare (4 and under)

To learn more, visit parksidebc.org or scan this QR code:



# **Summary of Minutes from August 14, 2025 Board Meeting**

Guests: Mike Brooks, Alethea Wilson

Call to Order 7:21 pm

Attendance: Rob Shoaf, Vickie Wheeler, Richard Evert, Janie Long, Andrew Hunter, George Greene, Marsha Brooks, Felipe Rodriguez, Marie Dean. Liz Scisco

Minutes from previous Meeting of the Board of Directors

Motion to approve the minutes from the July meeting of the Board of Directors. Second. Motion passes unanimously.

#### **Committee Roundtable**

Executive Committee - M. Brooks

Executive Committee Minutes 6 August 2025

Marsha Brooks, President Marie Dean, Vice President Vickie Wheeler, Secretary George Greene, Treasurer

- 1. The next EC meeting will be 3 Sep 25 at 7:00 pm.
- 2. Complaints from homeowners. Reviewed current open homeowner issues.
- 3. Tax Administration letter. Vickie will verify that this has been sent
- 4. Email to all homeowners about parking violations. This email appears to be having a positive response. Many homeowners appear to be taking corrective action.
- 5. Volunteer recognition. Vickie will ask Laura to create a template for certificates that can be used. We need to look for ways to get young volunteers involved.
- 6. Slides for the Annual Meeting need to be submitted to Laura this month by Tues Aug 26
- 7. Board Members for 2026. With the 3 returning members the Board now has 8 members and 3 potential at large to be elected at the Annual Meeting.

- 8. Fallen tree at 5511 Newhall. We will ask for clarification on how trees falling from Parkwood land onto homeowners property are being handled.
- 9. Form for website to make complaints.
  Vickie will ask Laura to create a form for our website through which residents may file complaints or make inquiries.
- 10. Committee Budgets are due to EC by the Oct 2 EC meeting
- 11. PPM Website. Vickie will ask Laura to ensure that the only link to the PPM website from our website will be to Payment questions/issues.

Meeting adjourned at 8:51 pm.

#### Finance Committee Report - G. Greene

Parkwood HOA Finance Committee

Meeting Time: August 12, 2025, 2025 @7:00pm

Call to Order: 7:05 pm Adjourned: 7: 38pm

Attendance: George Greene, Marie Dean, Felipe Rodriguez

#### General Activities:

- 1. Committee reviewed July 2025 Preliminary Finance Report and Collection Report
  - a. No transactions of interests.
  - b. Review Accounts Receivable

We have \$15,982.5 in Accounts Receivable. \$8,978.55 in 2025 Assessments.

5 accounts are in Category A) Late Notice Sent

28 accounts are in Category C) Preparing Late Notice

2 accounts are in Category G2) Preparing transfer to collection attorney. 5 accounts are in Category H) Collections attorney

Committee decided to reach out to collections attorney for Updates.

Move to transfer account 11511, out-

standing balance of \$160, to collection attorney. Committee to hold this account.

Move to transfer account 10987-04, outstanding balance of \$403.65, to collection attorney. Passed in Committee.

- 2. Committee Review of collections attorney Bagwell Holt Smith Invoices. One invoice received.
  - a. Invoice # 253047, totaling \$4,009.78, for execution of foreclosure notice.

Move that the committee approve payment of invoice from Bagwell Holt Smith for services rendered, totaling \$4,009.78, GL-code 00529. Passed in Committee.

- Committee discussed waiving of late fees for first year residents. Committee voted to not waive fee but rollover to 2026 collection.
- 4. Committee discussed protocol for 2026

- Budget Justifications.
- 5. Committee acknowledged the receipt of tax filing by IRS.

Motions to present to board:

- 1. Motion to transfer account 10987-04, outstanding balance of \$403.65, to collection attorney. Second. Motion passes unanimously.
- 2. Motion that the committee approve payment of invoice from Bagwell Holt Smith for services rendered, totaling \$4,009.78, GL-code 00529. Second. Motion passes unanimously.

Parks, Lawns and Ballfield - L. Scisco

PARKWOOD HOA PARKS, LAWNS, & BALLFIELD COMMITTEE

August 4, 2025: 7:00 pm

Meeting Time: August 4, 2025 @7:00pm



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PATRICK SERVICE, M.S. ACSM-EP CERTIFIED EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGIST AND PERSONAL TRAINER



Attendance: Bill Mitchell, Steven Berkowitz, Rob Shoaf, Marie Dean, George Greene \*Minutes\*, Liz Scisco, \*P&L Chair\*

Call to Order: 7:07 pm Adjourned: 8:08 pm

#### **Business for Committee Discussion**

- 1. Drainage/Maintenance
  - a. Full Review of Request for Proposal Packet Documents(Request for Proposal, Updated Maintenance Spreadsheet, Plantings List, and Playground List)
    - i. Maintenance/RLC (Bill) Update on Follow up items
      - 1. RLC control (one-time) poison ivy on the trails
      - 2. Tentative week of 8/11
    - ii. Check out Sedwick trail to Dam
    - iii. bush-hogging at 5336 Revere; RLC has bush hogged and mowed weekly to determine practicality. Plan to Walk site. Get specific on what to do. Jay is coming up with plan to clear undergrowth. (Steven to send photos).
    - iv. RLC contract has been modified to continue removal of debris in the Lotus Pond.
    - v. Add area behind ballfield back into maintenance contracts
  - New Project (Steven): Replace landscape timbers near the lake (labor only) and add handrail. i. Expect Proposal in August: Paid foreman with Supervised volunteers
  - c. Clermont culvert (Steven): Draft followup blurb for publication and pursue other avenues to encourage city to address sooner
- 2. Playgrounds:
  - a. Recreation Survey Turned over to PPC
  - b. Trash Can Lids (Steven)
    - i. Approach Lutherans about new paint in the fall a. Asset Inventory? (Reserve analysis) W/George
- 3. Plantings: (Rob/Chris/Jeff)
  - a. Water lilies, check with dragonfly (Bill)
- 4. Tree Report (Bill)

- a. Ball field trees were left on site, and would credit us.
- b. New Tree: Old Pine Tree at 114 Monterey Ln. (Donald Allen for \$185)
- 5. Trail Maintenance (Steven)
  - a. Steven to check timing for Bamboo stumps?
  - b. Evaluate old growth trail for some longer-lasting maintenance.

#### Garden Committee - C. Classen

I came back from vacation and the garden is a jungle. The rain last week has the squash sprawling in the paths. The weeds are huge too.

July's tasks were mostly keeping up with the weeds, harvesting cherry tomatoes and trying to stay cool. The volunteer hours were 15+. Our sign post needs repairing thus our volunteer notebook is locked in the bin. So we aren't getting the usual comments and hours recorded.

We are waiting for cooler weather to do some repairs. Hopefully August will have some cooler days.

# Parkwood Press & Social Media - L. Denny

Reminder, the deadline for the September issue of Parkwood Press is August 15th. This is an opt-in print of the newsletter. A paper copy will be delivered to about 130 Parkwood homes.

#### Parkwood on Social Media Facebook

Our Facebook presence stands at 813 Followers, 636 Likes. Our posts reached 242 people and we had 351 page visits in the past 28 days. There was 1 post of original Parkwood Association content, announcing Parkwood Press and the Playgrounds Survey. We also shared 3 posts from neighbors, local churches and Parktown Food Hub.

#### Instagram

Our Instagram account, parkwoodnc, now has 44 followers. Only one original photo has been posted since our July meeting.

ParkwoodNC Google Group Our group has 880 members. There have been 16 new posts/conversations since our July Board of Directors meeting.

#### Parkland Planning Committee - M. Brooks

Parkland Planning Committee Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, July 22, 2025, 7pm via Zoom

- Present: Marie Dean, Chris Classen, Steven Berkowitz, Pete Eisenmann, Rob Shoaf, Janie Long, Mike Brooks (Chair)
- 2. June minutes approved as corrected.
- 3. New entry signage
  - a. Permitting package submitted to Durham Planning & Development Dept., and we should hear back from them by Aug.
    1. UPDATE: Planning Dept. requiring additional changes for landscaping and for NCDOT Encroachment Agreement; Steven following up on those requirements
- 4. Playgrounds planning/development
  - Survey responses were discussed; Pete will be tabulating all responses (plus from additional Aug. newsletter publication).
- 5. Sedwick Park Tree Replacement:
  - a. One Willow Oak (White Oak) yet to be planted, at north end of Parkwood Lake.
- 6. NE Creek trail to the Food Lion Plaza No updates
- 7. Signage:
  - a. Faded sign on front of office bldg, per Exec. Committee, will wait on replacement until the office building is repainted. Missing finials for large Parkwood Office sign, and faded Pathways signs at several locations: need to inventory any signage needing replacement, provide total to Triangle Sign for a quote, and forward the entire quote to Parks, Lawns & Ball Field Committee.

- 8. Traffic calming/speed bumps: being followed up by Janie.
- 9. Meeting adjourned at 7:59

#### **Events Committee - V. Wheeler**

The August meeting will be held Monday, 25 Aug. Some notes of interest:

Finalizing the date for the Movie on the Lawn.

Fall Flea Market 4 Oct

The Fall Festival15 Nov

We hope to bring lots of fun to Parkwood residents.

#### **New Business**

Budget and Assessment Discussion.

Question regarding PPM mailing contracts renewal information.

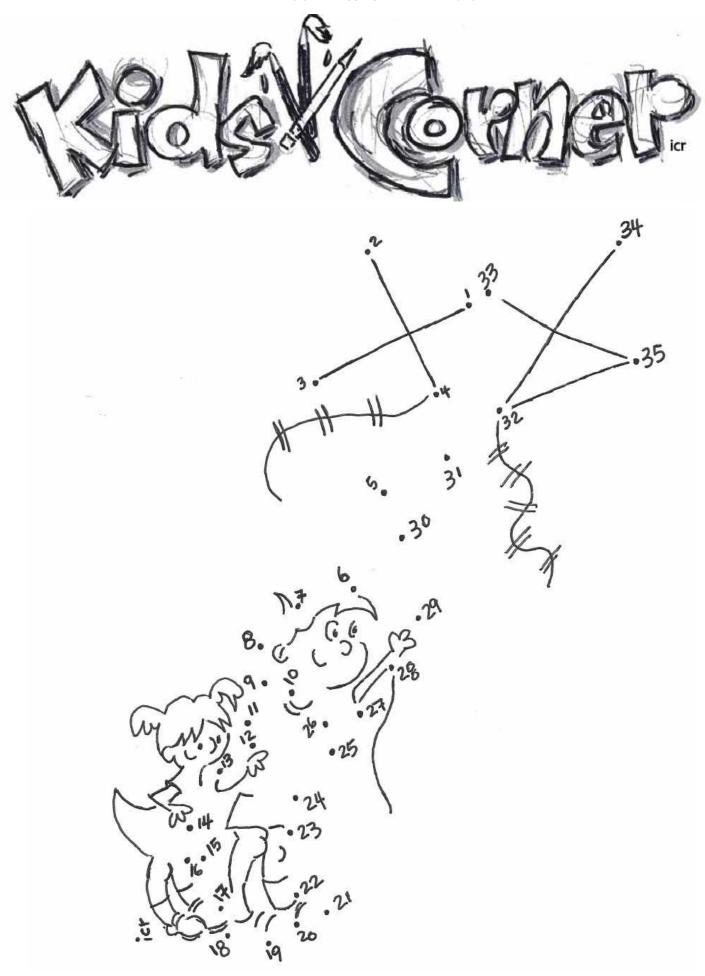
Minutes Review

Motion to adjourn the meeting. Second. Motion passes unanimously.

Board of Directors Meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm.

The next meeting of the Parkwood Association Board of Directors is scheduled for September 11, 2025 at 7:00 pm via Zoom

If you would like to attend as a guest, please email the office, pa.office@parkwoodnc.org no later than September 9th.



# September is Sepsis Awareness Month

Contributed by Ruth Stanton

Sepsis is a life-threatening condition that arises when the body's response to an infection spirals out of control, potentially leading to organ damage and death.

#### What Causes It?

- Urinary tract infections (UTIs)
- Pneumonia or lung infections
- · Infected wounds or burns
- Abdominal infections
- Medical device-related infections

# **Warning Signs**

- Fever or chills
- · Rapid heartbeat or breathing
- Confusion or disorientation
- Pale or clammy skin
- Extreme fatigue
- Low blood pressure
- Seek medical attention immediately if you notice these symptoms, especially after an infection or surgery.
- · Go directly to the Emergency Dept.

# Why It's Serious

Septicemia can progress to septic shock in hours. Quick treatment with antibiotics and fluids can save lives.



Sepsis is your body's life-threatening response to an infection and is a medical emergency.

When it comes to sepsis, remember IT'S ABOUT TIME™. Watch for:











Take the TIME to learn the signs at sepsis.org.



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# **Prevention Tips**

- Don't ignore early symptoms
- If you or your loved one recently completed chemotherapy, CALL your triage nurse at the first sign of ANY infection, including UTI.
- Treat infections early.
- Clean and cover wounds
- Follow your PCP's advice on vaccines.
- Practice good hygiene

Let's stay alert, protect our families, and spread awareness. Share this with your neighbors — it could save a life!

Learn More at https://www.sepsis.org/

#### Contact the Board

All Board Members: board@parkwoodnc.org
President & Officers: executive@parkwoodnc.org
District Reps: district1@parkwoodnc.org
(be sure to use your district number)

**Parkwood Association Committees** 

Events Committee, events@parkwoodnc.org
Finance Committee: finance@parkwoodnc.org
Garden Committee: garden@parkwoodnc.org
Parkland Planning: possibilities@parkwoodnc.org
Parks Lawns parksandlawns@parkwoodnc.org
& Ballfield



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# September 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1     Labor Day     Holiday	2	3	4	5	6
7 10 am Community Garden Mtg	8 7 pm Parks, Lawns & Ballfield Committee Mtg.	$oldsymbol{9}$ 7 pm PA Annual Meeting.	10	11 7 pm Board of Directors Mtg.	12	13
14 10 am Community Garden Mtg	15 Deadline for Oct. Issue of Parkwood Press	16 7 pm Parkland Planning Committee Mtg.	17	18	19	20
21 10 am Community Garden Mtg	22	23	24	25	26	27
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