## 2023 Annual HOA Board Message

2023 was a busy year in Wellington Park. The homeowners voted to keep 3 Board members, Nora Roehm (president), Adam Powell (secretary) and Rich Raymond (member at large) for another 2 year term at the annual meeting on March 20, 2023.

The HOA board continued the contract with Sentry for neighborhood Management. We also continued contracts with Southern Garden for landscaping, Pinnacle for pool maintenance, State Farm for insurance and Southeast and Spectrum for the pool phone and wifi. We changed our pond maintenance company to Triangle Pond Management because First Line Stormwater Solutions became unresponsive to our needs. We will also continue with Geese Chasers to ensure the Canadian Geese don't take up residence in our ponds.

Our large scale pond dredging projects for 2 ponds was completed on budget but a little behind schedule due to some construction machinery getting stuck in the silt on the Forest Park Way pond. Thankfully, Backwater Environmental who performed the dredging work was able to pull the equipment out and get them running again. It certainly caused some excitement in the neighborhood! Our residents were wonderfully patient and understanding with the delay and the presence of many trucks.

Another large scale project completed in 2023 was the crawl space reinforcement of the clubhouse. The clubhouse is a building that was on the property long before our neighborhood was built around it. The floors were sagging and it was becoming a safety hazard. The bathroom floors and joists were replaced and reinforced to help it last well into the future!

We added two new features to the pool area; an emergency exit and a new patio area with the filled in baby pool. Our neighborhood swim team was very active with 55 participants and a lot of parental involvement. It was an incredible season with a lot of growth, improvements in technique and many new team records.

2023 was the second pool season that we went without an attendant. We had 2 incidents of rules being broken but we were able to identify the offenders and take care of the issues quickly thanks to the high resolution cameras around the pool and clubhouse.

Tennisbloc continued to provide tennis and pickleball lessons in our community. We get a percentage of the proceeds from the classes they sell. We brought in over \$3,000 during 2023 seasons. We are very excited to continue this program for our homeowners and are working on ways to raise money to restore the courts in the future.

Thank you to our volunteer committees who worked hard to make Wellington Park a fun and desirable place to live in 2023!

The social committee, Kim Lavalle, Kristy Cook & Nora Roehm, organized events such as: Holiday Home Decorating Contests, Easter Egg Hunt, Spring & Fall Cocktail Crawls, Community Clean Up Day, 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade, Neighborhood Yard Sale, Dance Lessons, Pictures With Santa, BBQ Cook Off and Craft Fair.

Our pond committee, Scott Drebitko, Mike Lavalle, Greg Wong, Brian Weyer, Chris Franchi and Zac Arcaro, worked diligently throughout the dredging project to get bids, manage the project, oversee the finances, and ensure follow up when the project was finished. They volunteered hours and hours of their time to help get this project completed. We can't thank them enough for their knowledge and hard work.

The pool committee, Fred Kozlof and Rich Raymond, completed a myriad of small projects around the pool and clubhouse. They managed the tables and chairs inventory and worked with Pinnacle Pools to make sure everything was in working order.

The tennis committee, Sterling Porter, Jennifer Wells and Nora Roehm, kept the courts in working order and provided upkeep by blowing leaves, sweeping to keep the courts dry and remarking the pickleball lines.

The new resident welcoming committee, Nora Roehm, met new homeowners and provided a welcome letter with information about the neighborhood.

A landscaping committee was added in 2023 consisting of Chris Franchi, Susan McCord and Zac Arcaro. These hard working residents, along with a few other volunteers, planted all the plants in the median at Wellingborough and Kirkfield.

Thank you to all the residents of Wellington Park for making this a wonderful, peaceful neighborhood to live in. We look forward to 2024 and all the fun we will have!

## 2024 WP HOA Board nominees

Hello neighbors! My name is **Sterling Porter**, and I live on Kirkfield Drive. I am a Certified Public Accountant with over 20 years of experience in the accounting field. In my career I have worked for a Big 4 accounting firm as well as run my own award-winning CPA firm servicing the small business community including nonprofit organizations. I have also served on the board of an HOA in the past. I am currently a Sr. Controller with SAS Institute, Inc. in Cary. I am hoping to bring my experience to continue to serve this community in the area of finance. I am married to my wife of nearly 17 years, Sharyn. Together we have two children, Sterling III and Serena.

Thanks,

Sterling T. Porter, II, CPA

Dear Homeowners, I intend to run for the Wellington Park HOA Board again. I have very much enjoyed my last four years serving on the Board, and it is simply my wish to continue our growth and community improvement. My wife and I have two little girls and we live on Duncan Hill Ct. We have been in the neighborhood for over 10 years now, and through that time, have come to find that we live in a unique, and special little spot in the Triangle. We feel lucky to have a home in such a great place, and would like to help wherever possible, to ensure our neighborhood continues to be an enviable place to live.

Best regards,

Christopher Franchi