



Huntcliff Summit Residents Association
General Meeting
August 1, 2024
Minutes

“The mission of the officers of the Huntcliff Summit Residents Association is to foster a vibrant and inclusive community that enhances the quality of life for all residents. We are committed to promoting a safe, welcoming, and well-maintained environment where all residents can thrive and connect with one another.”

The meeting was called to order by president Rosemarie Hosbein. She reminded us that the rest of our lives begins now—smile.

Ray Bowyer reported the following errors in the minutes of the June meeting:

- David Solsky should be David Skolsky.
- Judi Stern should be Judi Sterne

The minutes were approved with those corrections.

Lynn Adcock reported the balance in our treasury is \$13, 217.82. The goal for the year is \$75,000. She reminded everyone that the recommended gift to the employee appreciation fund is \$1.50 per person per day. The cutoff is early in December. Checks should be made out to “Huntcliff Summit Residents Association” or “HSRA”. Last year, she wrote 60 checks to deserving staff. Remember the fund rewards all these people. Remember to put contributions in the HSRA box, not the food committee box.

Rosemarie gave the following president’s report:

- Remember that the green carts are for the use of everyone in the building. Other residents can’t use them if they are left in your apartment or in the hallway. Please sign out and sign in when you take a cart.
- Please remember to support the employee appreciation fund.
- Your officers continue to campaign for a correctly-lit flag in front of our building.
- Your officers succeeded in sponsoring a program on scams, in cooperation with the men’s club and the activity staff.
- Your officers continue to push for returning the broken elevator to use. We spotted an Otis employee in the building, so maybe this is finally getting done.
- Your officers have requested that the door to the back dining room be repaired.
- Your officers continue to request the repair of door-locks between the B-level parking garage and the interior of the building.
- Remember to take your cell-phone calls outside the dining room. Fellow diners don’t appreciate listening to your conversation.
- Rosemarie expressed appreciation for the establishment of Saturday concierge service. It is working very well.

- She reminded us to only take food at buffet meals to be eaten in the dining room. Don't take two meals-worth of food and take the second meal home.
- She understands Lisa Schilling has a goal of a buffet at Sunday brunch once a month, and a theme dinner once a month.

Marcia Swanson introduced the following new residents:

- Barbara Alexander moved here from Florida, and lived in California for many years. She has two children. She likes Mexican food.
- Paul and Carol Langevin moved here from Ohio. Paul was a chemist with General Tire, and Carol worked as a nurse. He is a fan of the Buffalo Bills. Paul and Carol loved the memories from the cross-country travels in a fifth-wheel camper.
- Rosa Maria Alcaide moved here from Texas. She loves classical music and opera. She has two children, eight grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.
- Betty Durkin moved here from Sandy Springs, and previously lived in Florida. She worked as a computer programmer. She has two children and one grandchild.
- Norma Mayor moved here from Florida. She has two children, four grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. She worked as a school para-professional. She loves to arrange flowers.
- Renee Dudovitz moved here from Dunwoody. She worked as a first-grade teacher. She loves knitting and children. She has two children and two grandchildren.

Winsome Barrow reported for the food committee. She reminded us that suggestions for change should be placed in the suggestion box in the postal area. The food committee meets on the second Tuesday of each month, and suggestions not received by then will be considered the following month. She reminded us to look at our menus promptly when we are seated, so we can place our orders promptly when the wait staff is ready to receive the order. We should expect the wait staff to repeat our order back to us, to avoid misunderstanding. Issues in the dining room should be reported to the dining room manager, Claudy Adolphie. Remember not to block the area in front of the dining room receptionist—complete your business and get out of the way. Her written report is attached. Please make sure to return any dining room property to the dining room.

Art Schultz reported for the men's club. The club organized a talk on scams by the Sandy Springs police. A trip to the Funk Heritage Center is planned for August 20. Flyers will be placed in the cubbies. Blackjack and poker nights are sponsored every Monday at 7:00 p.m. About 13 to 17 people have been attending each week. The men's club continues to sponsor the Summit Singers. Art expressed appreciation to Dawn Hamer for her service as director. The next concert will be August 22 at 7:00 p.m. We welcome additional singers.

Dawn Hamer announced the next book club meeting will be August 8 at 2:30. The book this month is The Vaster Wilds by Lauren Groff, but reading the book isn't a requirement to attend the meeting.

Nancy Halliwell reported for the gardening committee. People are working on improving the gardens. She especially appreciates the improvement in the rose garden. Milkweeds have been pulled out. Nancy has the list of plots that are available for adoption.

Margie Bowyer invited everyone to come to the ecumenical service every Sunday morning at 9:00.

There was no old business or new business.

Lisa gave the following management report:

Since our last meeting, we have welcomed the following team members to our Huntcliff family: Khadija Mennah and Nicole Freeman to our Housekeeping and Laundry Department, Nicole Key to our Front Desk

team, and we have welcomed back Dwayne Gibson to our Front Desk team. Please give them a nice welcome to our community.

I also want to mention our team members celebrating anniversaries of service: Antoinette Cawley and Karlos Nadal celebrating 1 year of service with us, Brent Andrews celebrating 4 years of service, Luke Powell celebrating 7 years. And on August 13, Sandra Newsom will be celebrating 25 years of service!

We experienced a few power outages recently – all weather related. We encourage everyone to have back-up emergency lighting for these times. Also, please try to refrain from opening your refrigerator/freezer. This will help keep the temperature where it needs to be. The last outage was approximately eight hours. The generator ran the items it was supposed to and all systems came back on line. We recommend those who have power-operated chairs to have battery-backup. Also, if you keep your cell-phone nearby, you can call the front desk for help.

Elevator number 3 has been out of service way too long. I apologize for the inconvenience for those of you who live on the north end. After having the outside consultant provide direction on what needed to be done, the parts are being assembled and hope to be installed in the next week or so. I have their check waiting for them once the project is complete.

We are in the process of marking electric outlets connected to the generator with red faceplates. Please don't go plug your cellphones into those—reserve them for medically-important use.

We continue to work with Sandy Springs code enforcement on some cosmetic work to patch the concrete on some of the balconies around the building. This is purely cosmetic and does not compromise the structural integrity. We are in discussion with them on what is necessary and what is “suggested”. More information to come on this project.

Today we started the re-seal and striping of the parking lot. After a few weather delays, we hope to have this completed by the weekend. Please be sure to read the signs posted in the elevators and near the mailboxes.

I received an update from our design team regarding the new furniture for the lobby and 6th floor bar area. All of the items are not to the warehouse just yet, but we expect our first shipment of furniture to come within the next 2-3 weeks. I will provide more information as I receive it.

We are in the process of installing new thermostats in all common areas of the community. We have run into some challenges with compatibility and the new technology, but we are working through it. I apologize for the inconvenience and sometimes warmer rooms than we would like. Once completed, it should allow for more energy efficiency and extend the life of the HVAC equipment. All room temperatures will be controlled through a computer, so no changes can be made at the thermostat itself. It is web-connected, so I can change it from home. This is what caused many of our problems in the past – temperatures being changed frequently and causing additional strain on the equipment. Our team will be receiving additional training on Monday. One reason for the change is to hold temperature settings constant, because going up and down causes equipment problems.

The additional Saturday concierge transportation is going strong. We will continue with this service as long as there is a demand for it. Please be sure to sign up in advance as the time slots are filling up quickly.

Breakfast service Monday to Saturday until 10:00 a.m. is working well. In our efforts to get back to pre-pandemic offerings, we are doing our best to be eco-friendly and eliminate disposables where we can. Everyone is welcome to come to breakfast and enjoy a meal. You may still take items “to go” however you will be asked to provide your own container – this is for breakfast only. If you are looking for some great containers, Dollar Tree has some nice reusable ones! We will also be going to coffee mugs at the bistro as well.

These are all things we did prior to Covid. We are also offering banana-bread as a snack throughout the day. Thursday is a special treat with Jane Radman's homemade bread.

We will continue to offer monthly Sunday brunch buffet with the possibility of expanding to twice a month. We are still seeking feedback on this. We will also bring back the monthly themed buffet with action stations. This month our Sunday brunch buffet will be on August 18th and our themed action station will be Italian on August 8th.

We had a six-month inspection of our kitchen last week. The team scored 96. I'm very proud of the hard work the team puts in to get this good score.

The repair of the door for the back dining should be completed within the next few weeks. It was scheduled for this week; however, it was postponed due to the thermostat issues.

I continue to have weekly communication with Comcast regarding their negotiations with Bally Sports and airing the Braves games. I will continue to do so until we can come up with an option for these games.

We will be installing a new 75 inch smart TV in the Veranda which will allow us to offer additional programs.

We are doing the final review of the updated Resident Services Guide. Each of you will receive a new copy next week. Please take a few minutes to review all the information. Do not hesitate to reach out to us if you have questions. Please place the new material in the existing binder.

We will be distributing the medication list sheets to everyone next week. We strongly suggest you keep an updated medication list in your apartment in an easy to access place. It's always the first thing paramedics ask for.

As always, thank you to all for your patience and understanding as we continue to strive to make this a place you enjoy calling home.

The thermostats in your apartment can be re-calibrated. Don't forget to keep your balcony door closed when the air-conditioning is working.

We don't believe recycling of most materials is practical in our building.

The elevators are being given a five-year load test soon.

The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ray Bowyer
Secretary