



# HISTORIC VINEVILLE

## Neighborhood Association

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### Letter from the President

by Erin Lake

**As residents of Historic Vineville, we are reminded every day of the charm of our unique neighborhood — from the streetscape and shops to the residents who occupy it. Our active neighborhood association’s mission is to maintain and further enhance these elements, and we’re looking forward to a busy 2018 doing just that.**

**In the pages of this newsletter, you’ll find information on our active social calendar, where we hope to continue connecting neighbors, families, and friends.**

**You’ve seen the blue ‘Historic Vineville’ flags popping up in the area. These were produced to further promote neighborhood identity and pride. The initial batch sold incredibly fast, and we’ve got another batch en route. These flags also complement the street flags that can be seen on poles along our main streets — another association endeavor completed in 2015.**

**For those with home improvement projects on the horizon, we encourage you to investigate our Facade Improvement Loan Program. Paid for with HVNA funds and private donations, neighbors with a street-facing improvement project can apply for up to \$5,000 in this low-interest loan program. Contact us at [historicvineville@gmail.com](mailto:historicvineville@gmail.com) for more information.**

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## Letter from the President (continued)

In 2017, volunteers completed 10 clean-ups on numerous streets of Historic Vineville. Each month, board members identify a street that needs sprucing, and volunteers tackle that particular area for an hour. And so it is easily remembered, these clean-ups take place on the first Saturday of the month, with the targeted location published on the neighborhood's Facebook page (Vineville Neighborhood Association), Nextdoor Vineville page, and distributed via our email distribution list.

Last year, the association also successfully tackled the ongoing issue of cars parking in front yards or in the right of ways. Our board funded the application process and worked collaboratively with Planning and Zoning to pass an ordinance prohibiting this practice in historic districts throughout Macon. This year we're facilitating awareness and enforcement. To obtain the ordinance or to report a violation, email [historicvineville@gmail.com](mailto:historicvineville@gmail.com).

As you can see, we're looking forward to an exciting 2018, but we can only do it with your help. I encourage you to join or renew your membership for 2018 so we can continue to invest in our beautiful neighborhood. A membership form is on the back of this newsletter. Simply mail it in with a check for your dues to help us continue on in our work.

## Welcome New Neighbors

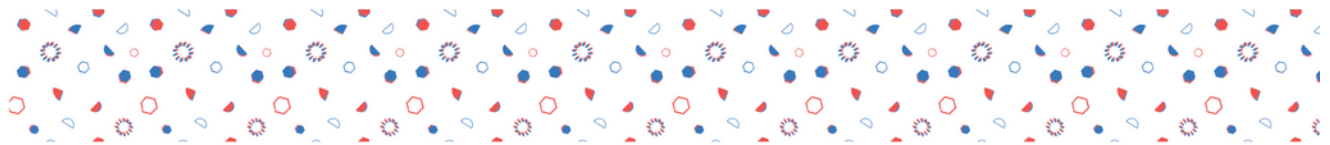
The Membership Committee wants to welcome new neighbors to the Vineville Neighborhood with a welcome gift. If you have a new neighbor please send name and address to:

Yvonne Stuart @ [vonniestuart@gmail.com](mailto:vonniestuart@gmail.com)

## Social Events Update

Our social committee has been hard at work planning a slate of activities in 2018 that will be fun for the whole family. We're most excited about celebrating the launch of the Macon Bacon baseball team with a tailgate in their private pavilion in June. Tickets will be \$15 for adults and \$10 for children (children under 2 are free), and include all-you-can-eat food at the ballpark and a limited-edition Macon Bacon baseball cap. With a fully renovated stadium and the Southeast's largest beer garden, this will definitely be an event you don't want to miss!

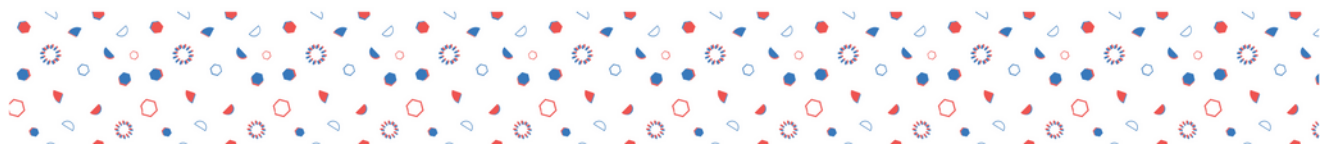
Info will be coming out via our email list and Facebook page soon, so save the date on June 16th!



## 2018 Social Calendar

|               |                      |                       |
|---------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| April 28th    | Blue & White Party   | Oak Haven Park        |
| May 19th      | Porch Party          | Lundy-Caputo Home     |
| June 16th     | Macon Bacon Tailgate | Luther Williams Field |
| November 30th | Christmas Party      | Hay House             |

Keep an eye out on our Facebook page for more details, as well as information on upcoming Ladies Night Out events, movie night in Oak Haven Park, and our annual Oktoberfest party!



## 2018 Membership Update

By Bryant Pardue

2018 has the makings of a transformational year for this neighborhood, with Oak Haven Park under development, great social events planned, and the goal of expanding neighborhood cleanups. While we believe all of this is very exciting, we understand that some residents may have particular projects or events that resonate more with them. Therefore, we have integrated a small change to the membership form this year. We have created an “ear mark” program that allows each member to not only invest in the neighborhood as a whole, but also to allocate a portion of their membership fee towards specific areas. For 2018, these are: Neighborhood Cleanup, Neighborhood Identity, Socials, and Board Discretion. Our updated membership form is available on the back of this newsletter.

Our hope is that the ability to allocate a portion of the fee might entice those neighbors who are not currently members. Members are the backbone of the association. We are very grateful for current and past investments in our efforts to make Historic Vineville a jewel of Macon. We hope that these ear marks will pique the interests of our nonmember neighbors in upcoming projects and will help them to feel personally invested in the continued growth of our beautiful historic neighborhood.

# NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN UP

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Meet at Oak Haven Park  
(Corner of English and Oak Haven)



## Oak Haven Park Update

by Lars Anderson

For those of you who have traveled Oak Haven Avenue and English Avenue, you have noticed that things are happening in Oak Haven Park. Chandler Pipkins — son of Scott & Mora Pipkins — has installed a climbing structure in the park as his Eagle Scout project. The costs of materials

and installation of the anchor posts of this structure were underwritten by HVNA.

Also, Chandler received significant assistance in assembling the cross-members of the structure from his fellow Scouts, Scout leaders, and HVNA members. The climbing structure is scheduled to be open to the public no later than March 24th.

In addition, Macon-Bibb County has made the rough cut for the exercise path that will encircle the park. We anticipate that concrete will be poured in the next three weeks. For those of you who are willing to watch concrete dry, keep an eye out for an announcement for “concrete-sitters” who will be in the park on the evenings that cement is poured to deter those who might want to sign their names on the walk.

And finally, the county has completed the grading and seeding of the lower area of the park to provide a flat field for play. From footballs to frisbees and baseballs to badminton, all are encouraged to make use of this most welcome addition to Historic Vineville.

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## Third Annual Blue & White Party

Saturday, April 28 , beginning at 6:30 p.m. A table for 8 with a white tablecloth will be provided for a donation of \$100.00, which will be used for improvements for the park. Your job is to decorate the table in blue and white for the evening. Prizes will be awarded for the top three tables (to be determined by last year’s winners). Attendees are encouraged to dress up for the occasion, as the evening takes on the festive air of a steeplechase or pre-game party at The Grove.

# Keep (Your Car) Off the Grass!


By Lars Anderson

**In an effort to beautify our neighborhood and maintain property values, residents of Vineville are no longer permitted to park vehicles in their yards.**

**The Comprehensive Land Development Resolution was amended on December 11, 2017, to prohibit parking “in front or on the side of a principal building on a residential property” in Macon’s design review districts. VNA was the principle proponent of, and paid the costs for, this amendment.**

**Recently, letters were sent to the occupants and owners of properties where cars are being parked in violation of the amended ordinance. If the owner/occupant continues to violate this parking ordinance, VNA will inform Planning & Zoning of the violation and provide them with a copy of the “friendly reminder” that was mailed previously.**

**If you have someone on your street who is parking on the front or side yard of the residence (and the parked vehicle is visible from the right-of-way), send an e-mail to [lars@rlarsanderson.com](mailto:lars@rlarsanderson.com) and VNA will investigate, and, if necessary, take further action.**

  
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## Share your HVNA Pride with a Flag!

With spring just around the corner, you've likely seen Historic Vineville garden flags popping up in your neighbors' yards. We sold out our initial order, but good news — we've got a fresh batch of flags available for purchase! The small 12"x18" garden flags are \$10 and the larger 3'x5' flags are \$50.

These flags match the Historic Vineville logo that was redesigned in 2015 and adorns the corridors leading into our neighborhood. They will hopefully help us continue to develop our neighborhood identity, so that when someone is driving through or taking a stroll down our sidewalks, they'll see the flags and know they're in an active and welcoming neighborhood.

If you'd like to purchase a flag, please email Board Treasurer Brad Coman ([brad.coman@gmail.com](mailto:brad.coman@gmail.com)).





**HISTORIC VINEVILLE**  
Neighborhood Association

**2018 VNA MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL/SUBSCRIPTION**

CIRCLE ONE:

**HOUSEHOLD (\$30.00)**

**INDIVIDUAL (\$20.00)**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE/PARTNER'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

The VNA is piloting a program in 2018 to allow members to designate where a portion of their dues go. These initiatives are:

**Neighborhood Cleanup:** contributes to our effort to beautify Historic Vineville, including monthly cleanups

**Neighborhood Identity:** contributes to the purchase of signage and identifiers to create a cohesive neighborhood identity

**Social:** contributes to social events for members and neighbors, including purchase of food and beverages and space rental fees

Please select from the options below. If you would like the board to use your money where there is the most need, please select "Board Discretion."

Neighborhood Cleanup \_\_\_\_\_ Neighborhood Identity \_\_\_\_\_ Social \_\_\_\_\_ Board Discretion \_\_\_\_\_

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