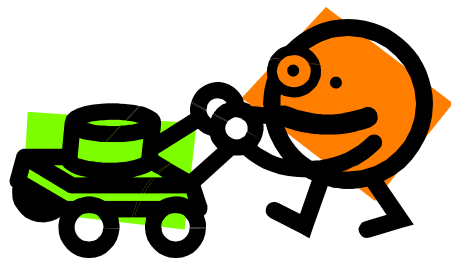


## Have a great Lawn this year

- Cut grass weekly.
- Weed planting beds weekly.
- Blade edge and trim weekly.
- Place clipping bags out Monday morning for trash collection- do not leave them out during the week.
- Raise canapé of trees to 7 feet as the tree matures.
- Trim limbs above walkways so walkers can pass under limbs.
- Trim around utility meters to allow access by workers.
- Use weed treatment or a lawn service as needed to maintain a weed free lawn.



### HCOA Board Officers

**Blake Bentley**, President  
**Reggie Spivey**, Vice President  
**Brian Monroe**, Secretary/Treasurer

### Board Directors

**Russ Beshirs**     **Teresa Snyder**  
**Diane Harris**   **Jose Sanchez**  
**Kathy Jones**     **Robert Vigil**

## Hampton Cove Owners Association

6281 Hwy 431 South, Owens Cross Roads, AL 35763  
 Office: 533-6005 Fax: 536-0394    Hours: Monday to Friday-8:00 to 5:00pm  
 www.hamptoncove.com

All email addresses are available on the website.

### Staff:

**Acting Director:** Cindy Norton    cindy@hamptoncove.com  
**Assistant Director:** Katie Lyles    katie@hamptoncove.com  
**Landscape:** Joe Tuck and Ronnie Allen

### Board Meeting Dates:

July 21st, August 18th, Sept. 15th

Space is limited please call ahead to attend or be on the agenda.

## The Clean Up Crew

Residents helping with the clean up effort are Vic McCarn and Josh Pierce to the right, and Tracey and David Salazar below.



The HCOA Board would like to thank the residents that participated in the Community Clean Up on May 10th. About 20 residents volunteered to help in the effort. Families and scout troops worked together to clean up their respective areas. Over forty bags of trash were collected and picked up by the city of Huntsville. The Green Team lead by Joyce McKee and Bridget Slaton were instrumental in helping the staff provide supplies. Thanks also to our captains all of which worked with their families to pick up trash in their areas. The captains were: Ron Hackney, Krista Colvin, Amy Summers, Paula Haider, Phil Taylor, and David and Tracey Salazar.

June 2008

## Lake Care and Feeding

Hampton Cove is blessed with many beautiful Lakes and Ponds. These water bodies are man-made and serve to keep our homes from flooding as well as provide pleasing scenery and wildlife refuge.

Did you know that the only source of water is runoff (storm water) from the streets, lawns, driveways, construction sites, etc. leaving our properties? There are no natural springs or flowing waters to replenish Hampton Cove's lakes and ponds.

Federal and State laws regulate the necessary capacity and usage of the water bodies. These lakes are retention basins, and throughout the years silt has accumulated as designed. The results are that the needed basins are very shallow. Construction debris and rubbish have added to the accumulation. This could create potential mosquito breeding grounds.

We all contribute to this problem as any spills or drainage of dirt, trash, cleaning chemicals, maintenance washings and other pollution can cause damage and harm the animals and plants needing clean water for survival. Other residential outdoor uses include washing automobiles, maintaining swimming pools and cleaning sidewalks and driveways for grime and mildew.

Please avoid the over usage of fertilizers, herbicides, pesticides, harsh chemicals, colorants and other items which may severely lower our water quality.

In order to maintain the beauty and usage of our wonderful lakes and ponds, please use caution in what you discharge from your home sites and report any spills or excess rubbish that you observe to the HCOA office.

It will be very costly and messy to dredge and restore the needed reservoirs.

If you would like further information on how you can help, please contact me at 539-3775. Thank you all for your participation in the Clean Up day!!!

Robert D. Vigil,  
Chairman, Water and Land Management Committee

**All property modifications must be submitted in writing before work begins.**

Get a property modification form at [www.hamptoncove.com](http://www.hamptoncove.com)

## Community News

Anita Beatty, a Hampton Cove Resident, organizes a **children's playgroup** on the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month from 9:30am to 11:30am. Call Anita at 532-5122.

**Moms in Touch** is an international organization that gathers moms together to pray for their children and schools. If your children attend Hampton Cove Middle or Elementary School and you would like to join us, please contact Lauri Matis at 512-9684, or check the website at [MomsInTouch.org](http://MomsInTouch.org).

## Garden Club Information

For information and reservations please contact Frankie Black@ 534-4086, [robfrankienick@hotmail.com](mailto:robfrankienick@hotmail.com) or Jeanne Pierce @ 534-728, [JeanneVRPierce@aol.com](mailto:JeanneVRPierce@aol.com).

### Yards of the Month

May:

Michael Cantavespre  
2712 Arbor Oak Drive

Dr. Kamel and Mrs. Samar Egbaria  
2736 Muir Woods Drive

June:

George and Cindy Koeplinger  
2914 Oakleigh Lane

Phil and Linda Terry  
2903 Madrey Lane

Susan Caldwell  
2605 Quarter Lane

**Be Green  
Recycle**  
Call **830-BINS (2467)**  
[www.swdahsv.org](http://www.swdahsv.org)

**Remember to crush the contents so the truck will hold more.**



## Board Meeting Highlights April and May

(These Highlights are not the actual minutes and for the purpose of brevity presented here in a topical format. Please see the website for the official minutes.)

In April the board received an update from Tim Singleton regarding the plans for expansion at the Hampton House. In May Helen Facht reported to the board about the condition of Whippoorwill Lake and voiced concern that it was filling up due to the silt from run off.

The April Financial update included a report of operating accounts being consolidated to simplify the accounting process and best utilize our assets.

A letter was read and approved regarding the property condition at the end of Caldwell. It was reported in the May meeting the letter had been received by Mr. Hays but there was no reply.

Russ Beshirs volunteered to coordinate traffic issues for the fall community yard sale.

In May the board denied a request to bring in new property to Hampton Cove community to remain consistent with decisions made in the last calendar year.

Robert Vigil reported that items have not gone as planned on the playground but every effort was being made to complete the task as soon as possible.

Kathy reported that members of the board had met with Mark Anderson. The board will continue to gather data regarding the completion of Eastern Shore and meet with Anderson again. Per the May meeting, no specific commitments had been negotiated with Mark Anderson. The board, however, voted to complete a portion of the second entrance along with upgrading the lighting at the second entrance to Stoneleigh during the May meeting for the total of \$10,793. No financial commitment has been negotiated with Anderson as of the May board meeting.

The Bid Process Proposal submitted by Jose Sanchez at the April meeting was approved in the May meeting.

Due to the need to establish a new contractor for peavey creek maintenance, the board approved a bid be let for "weed eating". The contract was completed and the contractor began work in May.

The Twelve Stones lake was next on the agenda and an extensive report was submitted by Robert Vigil and prepared by Tony Crawford, a resident. Russ Beshirs made a motion to take no action for one year, Robert seconded and the motion carried.

In May the board voted to appoint Cindy Norton as Acting Director, pending further evaluation of office procedures and job description development.

Again, these are highlights of the meeting. Complete minutes are now available online. In 2008, the board agreed to approve minutes in a timely manner so they can be posted within two weeks of the board meeting.

Protect your pets



Cats are covered by the leash laws as well as dogs. Many cat owners do not follow these guidelines and are placing their cats at risk.

Several residents have reported seeing cats taken by coyotes in the early hours of the morning, or the middle of the night.

Due to the volume of development in our area natural habitat is being taken from these original residents.

The HCOA asked Hampton Cove Residents to abide by the city ordinance regarding pets. Many home owners have reported missing cats.

A few residents have actually sited coyotes praying on cats and found remains.

Protect your pets-  
keep them under control.

Log on to the  
Bulletin Board at  
[www.hamptoncove.com](http://www.hamptoncove.com)  
and check  
Vehicles for sale, lost pet  
reports, and other interesting  
topics