



Fall 2020

"Times like this, even though tragic and devastating,
bond us together as neighbors"

West Highlands News, Activities, and Events

West Highlands Jazz Event – August 12, 2020

Special thanks to Brian Boudreau and United Rentals for helping to sponsor this event by donating the equipment. Thanks to United Rentals, Columbia Residential Team and West Highlands' Social Committee for creating an awesome, well-attended and “well-done” social distancing event!



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The West Highlands' Social Committee has been busy creating numerous events over the last few months and they have more exciting events planned for the fall.

- **New Homeowner Orientation:** The Social Committee conducted a new homeowner orientation on September 12 in the park. Homeowners were welcomed with breakfast from Chick-fil-A and had the opportunity to ask questions and learn about life at West Highlands.
- **Food Trucks:** We will continue to have trucks visit provided there is interest from the community. In the past few months we have hosted Flavor Rich, A Little Nauti, Academic Pizza and Freeze Cream.
- **Halloween:** For those new to WH, Halloween is a popular occasion, from the hundreds of trick or treaters to the awesome décor. The social committee had a few discussions to discuss alternative experiences given current restrictions due to COVID19 and decided to forego a West Highlands' sponsored event as doing so safely posed many challenges. Please enjoy Halloween however you and your family chose to celebrate. Please stay safe.



Join Us on Saturday October 3, 2020



At the Corner of Drew and Sanford

West Highlands Community Updates

Amenity Package Updates:

- **Pool Construction:** Construction on the pool has begun. The anticipated opening date is Memorial Day, 2021, weather permitting. The first phase of this long-awaited amenity to West Highlands will contain a pools, a splash pad, restrooms, and a pavilion. Futures plans include another pool at the site in the second phase.
- **Dog Park:** Located at the corner of Drew and Sanford. Future addition of water, shade, and benches are planned. Please adhere to the rules posted at the park and on our [West Highlands Website](#).
- **HOA Meeting: November 14, 2020 9:00am-10:30am.** We will conduct a virtual HOA meeting on November 14th. In advance of this meeting, we will send out a copy of the 2021 budget as well as the link for the meeting invite and how you can submit questions prior to the meeting. In addition, the HOA Board will provide updates from various committees and Brock Built will provide updates on West Highlands construction.



Neighborhood Reminders

- **Pets:** All dogs are required to be on a leash when outside of the home or outside of a fenced in yard. No pets are permitted to trespass on a neighbor's property; please respect your neighbors space and privacy. Owners are required to pick up after their pets. This includes all common areas. Pet waste stations are located at parks, Hollingsworth Blvd Greenway, and the new Dog Park. If you have suggestions on locations for additional pet waste stations, please email Sentry. See Community Rules and Dog Park Rules on [website](#). If you see someone violating the rules, please take a photo of the owner and dog and submit to Sentry Management. Submissions to Sentry will need to include the homeowners address for us to contact them.
- **Park Usage:** Please remember, to conduct a party, gathering, or meeting of over 6 people in one of the common spaces requires reservations. Updated rules and regulations for the Park and Common Areas, as well as the reservation form, are posted on [website](#). Please adhere to these rules to help us all share our amenities and respect our neighbors.
- **ACC:** Modifications to the exterior of your property must be submitted to the ACC for approval before any work begins. If work is started without prior approval, the homeowner risks being cited for a covenant violation and may be required to alter or remove the changes at significant additional cost. Please refer to the [website](#) to review the forms/processes.
- [ATL311.com](#) is a great resource for trash pick up and schedule, scheduling bulk collection, garbage bin replacement, and more. Please remember to remove your trash bins by the end of garbage day.
- **Parking:** Refer to the [website](#) to familiarize yourself on our Parking Policy.



Tree Maintenance

Now is the time to start preparing for the cost of pruning trees. Though you can prune your trees anytime of the year, annual pruning is ideal during late winter to early spring. However, if you have not pruned your tree(s) during last winter/spring season or two, three....never, you may need to expedite the pruning as soon as possible. The Association recommends consulting with a professional tree company since there is more to consider when pruning a tree than just cutting branches. Your tree needs immediate pruning when at least one of the following events has occurred:

- If your tree is blocking/obstructing the view of street signs (stop, street name, speed limit, parking, etc.), then the tree needs to be pruned away and above the height of the signs to allow clear sight for both motorists and pedestrians.
- If your tree limbs are hanging below a 6 foot clearance from the sidewalk or curb, then the tree needs to be trimmed from the ground up vertically to a 6 foot clearance in height. This will allow pedestrians clear and safe passage. Arborists recommend the lowest permanent branch should be 14 feet over a street and 8 feet over a sidewalk.
- If your tree limbs are encroaching onto your neighbor's property or common area property, then your tree needs to be pruned back to your property line. Streets and alleyways need to remain clear from tree's spread that is obstructing vehicular access including high-profile delivery trucks (i.e., 14 feet height clearance).
- If your tree's spread/skirt is causing too much shade on the lawn and preventing the grass and/or plants to grow, then the tree's spread/skirt needs to be pruned back and pruned up higher to allow for more sun on the lawn (aka Crown Lifting).
- If your tree becomes top heavy, then the tree needs to be pruned to prevent structural damage or damage to property from fallen limbs caused by high winds or heavy rain.

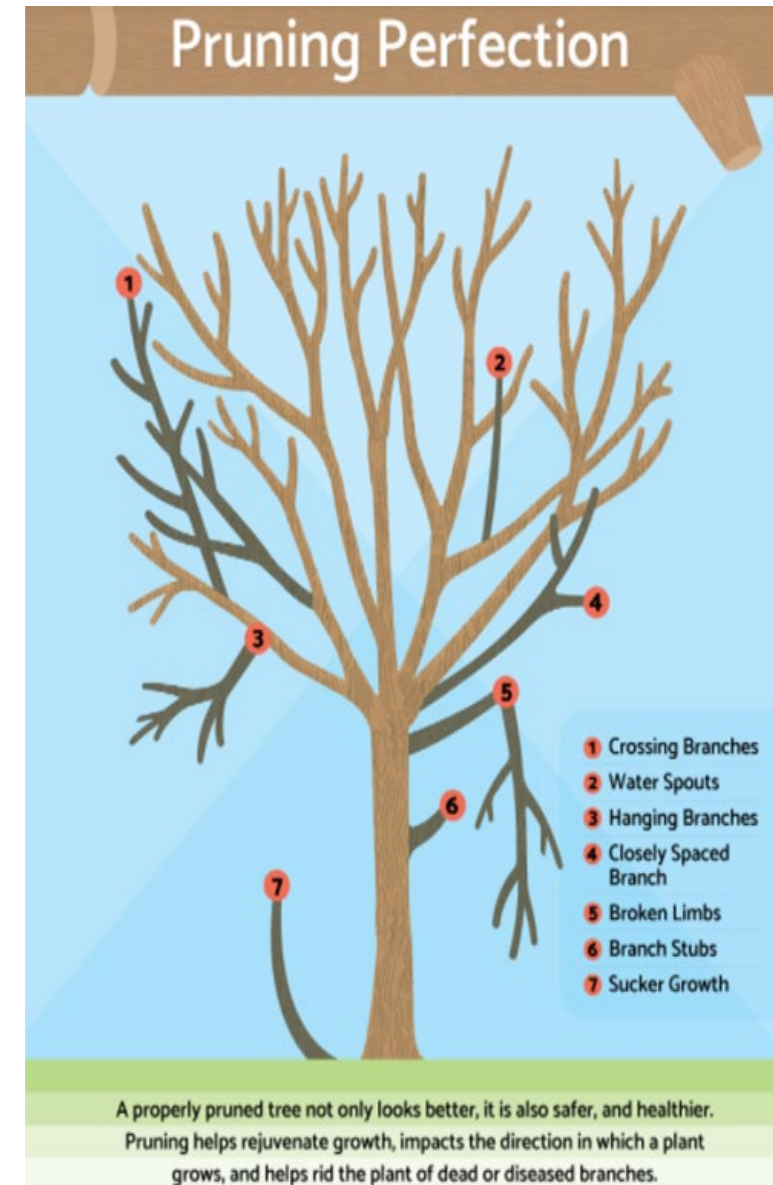
If your tree is dead, dying, diseased or decaying, then you should have it removed and replaced with a new tree. **IMPORTANT:** Before removing any tree (whether a dying tree; or a tree replacement on a healthy existing tree), please submit a permit to have the tree removed through the City of Atlanta, Arborist Division. The application for the permit is free, however removing a tree without being issued a permit comes with a stiff penalty fee.

Please avoid "Tree Topping". It is a harmful pruning practice and destroys the natural form of a tree. This includes tree topping Crepe Myrtles. Topping stresses trees and leads to decay.

To add or replace a tree, please make sure to submit an Architectural Control Committee (ACC) request to Sentry Management atlantanorthcompliance@sentrymgt.com.

Here's a link to a local expert on tree pruning: <http://www.walterreeves.com/landscaping/tree-pruning/>

Per Trees Atlanta, "Atlanta has the highest percentage of overall urban tree canopy in the nation", when compared to other cities. Please help make West Highlands the most beautiful tree canopy in the city.



Westside Eats:

The Westside is booming with new restaurants popping up all over the Neighborhood. Be sure and support these restaurants and tell your friends.

[The Works](#): The Works is an 80-acre adaptive mixed-use development in the heart of Atlanta's Upper Westside. The Works' vision includes distinctive retail and dining, imaginative experiences, and inspired gathering areas in an interconnected environment preserving the character of Atlanta's historic industrial buildings. The following restaurants have currently been announced for the location:

- Another location for Scofflaw Brewing Company
- Fox Bros Bar-B-Que
- Chattahoochee Food Works – a 30 vendor food hall (opening soon)
- TydeTate Kitchen (Thai eatery)
- Babakabab Lebanese Barbeque
- Taqueria La Luz (same owners of Zocalo in Midtown)
- Unbelibubble Tea House
- Morelli's Gourmet Ice Cream
- Graffiti Breakfast
- Baker Dude
- Pomodoro Bella
- Baked Kitchen South African Street Food

The Works currently has a small grassy park space called The Camp – a one-acre green space infused with art under a tree canopy. This space is open for public use.



Westside Eats (Continued):

Atlanta Westside Village

- Westside Pizzeria (new location now open)
- Clean Juice
- Ted's Montana Grill (anticipated opening in October)
- Marlow's Tavern (opening TBD)

Other Nearby Locations

- The Companion
- Maple Street Biscuit Company
- Bold Monk Brewing Company
- Fire Maker Brewing Company
- Juicy Crab – (opening TBD)



(1366 English Street NW)

Home of the original football bowling pin game



Important Contact Information

- Sentry Management: for questions relating to your HOA dues, ACC modifications & violations, park reservations, and more.
 - atlantanorthcompliance@sentrymgt.com 404.459.8951
- ProTech Security: 470.825.1460 (**If a crime is taking place please call 911 first.**)
- Subdivision Street Poles: [Georgia Power](#)
- West Highlands Website: westhighlandsatl.com