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# Gran Forest News

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## Our 2011 Board

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## Our Gran Forest Web Site

Please visit [www.granforest.com](http://www.granforest.com). Sign up for the community email list to be notified via email of any important neighborhood announcements. There are links to join Facebook and Twitter Gran Forest pages for up-to-the-minute neighborhood information! Contact [forsale@granforest.com](mailto:forsale@granforest.com) or [services@granforest.com](mailto:services@granforest.com) to advertise items for sale or services offered. If you have any comments or suggestions, please email [webmaster@granforest.com](mailto:webmaster@granforest.com).

## New Key Pad for Pool Area

Due to the recent vandalism in the neighborhood, a new key pad lock system has been installed at the pool. Each homeowner will have their own personal access code to enter the pool area. Homeowners who are delinquent on their dues will not be issued their code until payment has been made. The new system allows us to track who comes/goes in the pool area on the days that vandalism occurs. It is important not to share your personal code with anyone. A letter will be sent out from Access Management explaining the new key pad system in more detail.

## Yard of the Month

- July Winner: Jenny & Mike Snow, 1850 Bitternut Lane.
- August Winner: Kathy &, Jack Keifert, 1545 Shagbark Way
- September Winner: Jan & Charles McGahey, 1420 Redbud Way

Congratulations! All Yard of the Month winners receive a \$50.00 home improvement card.

## Benefit Garage Sale Follow-Up

Thanks to every person who helped in any way with the benefit garage sale. Due to a change in the patient's circumstances, the \$2,000 we earned will help with her care instead of furniture. Thank you!! The generosity everyone showed was amazing! (Claire Graff)

## Welcome New Neighbors!

- Roger Baldwin and his children, daughter Marissa and son TJ, 1410 Gran Forest Drive

Do you have a new neighbor? Please contact April Yungel (770-888-0062) from our Welcoming Committee. We want to be sure that they receive a friendly southern welcome and a basket full of goodies!

## Looking for Doors for Haunted Garage

The Haunted Garage is looking for some doors! Don is looking for about 6 doors. If it has the frame, that is best, but even just the door itself will work. If you have one you want to get rid of, please contact Don Graff ([webmaster@granforest.com](mailto:webmaster@granforest.com)) and he will be glad to come pick it up.

## Upcoming Events

**Oct 31<sup>st</sup>** – Annual Haunted Garage (1575 Loblolly Lane). Don't miss out on spine-tingling fun!

**Nov 7<sup>th</sup>** – Annual Homeowners meeting at Mashburn Elementary. Official notifications and proxies will be mailed by Access Management. If you cannot attend, please give your proxy to a board member or neighbor. You must be current on your dues to vote for new officers.

**Nov 12<sup>th</sup>** – Our Annual Canned Food Drive

## We Need Volunteers!

Are you interesting in running for the Gran Forest HOA board? 3 of the 5 positions will be vacant.

We will also need volunteers for the 2012 committees, which include: the ACC, Swim/Tennis, Welcome, Social, Website, and Decorating/Garden committees.

If you would like to run for the board or join a committee, contact Nicola Schwab at 770/886-0311 or email her at [nicolaschwab25@gmail.com](mailto:nicolaschwab25@gmail.com).

**No one cares more about our neighborhood than you!**

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## County Burn Regulations

**Please note:** The burning off of lawns is not allowed.

### **October – April: Outdoor Burning Permitted (Subject to Daily Restrictions)**

During the months of October through April, outdoor burning is permitted, subject to daily restrictions and subject to the following:

- All authorized burning shall occur between the hours of 10 a.m. and one hour before sunset.
- Open burning will not be authorized when conditions are such that the burn may jeopardize the safety of life and/or property, an air pollution episode or when restrictions are imposed by a state or federal agency for any reason.
- The burning of “household” garbage, trash, and construction debris is not allowed. **The burning off of lawns is not allowed.**
- The Forsyth County Fire Department shall have the authority to cause any fire to be extinguished if it is determined that there is a danger to public safety, a danger to public or private property, a nuisance or sign of environmental harm or violation of regulations.
- Person(s) in control of the property at the time of the burn are responsible for the compliance with the requirements of this Ordinance.
- All burns must be attended by a competent person 16 years or older having the ability to extinguish the fire.
- No burns will be authorized when the humidity is less than 25% or the winds are greater than 10 mph.

- In Accordance with O.C.G.A. & 12-6-90, pre-burn notice of such burning **must be provided** to the forest ranger of the county wherein such burning is to be made or to an employee of the forestry unit serving such county who is authorized to grant permits (call 1.877.652.2876 or go to [www.gfc.state.ga.us](http://www.gfc.state.ga.us) for online permit).
- Leaf piles and other yard debris on residential property (permit required with Georgia Forestry at 1.877.652.2876)
  - Burning of leaf piles, the reduction of other “natural vegetation” such as trees and parts thereof, pine straw, and sticks on the premises on which they fall (**not cut down**) is allowed. No burn pile shall be larger than 6’ X 2’. There shall be no more than two burn piles burning at any time. There shall be 10 feet between burn piles. Burn piles shall be 50 feet from of any structure and 25 feet from a property line.
- The following burns are allowed without notification:
  - Recreation/cooking fires
  - Campfires in approved areas
  - Open flame equipment/tar kettles/etc.
  - Miscellaneous warming fires at construction sites. (Warming fires shall be contained within a metal barrel of 55-gallon capacity or less. Untreated wood or lumber shall be the only material or substance permitted to be burned. The container for the warming fire shall be 25 feet from any structure. **NO** on ground warming fires are permitted. Warming fires are only permitted when the temperature is 40 degrees Fahrenheit or less.)