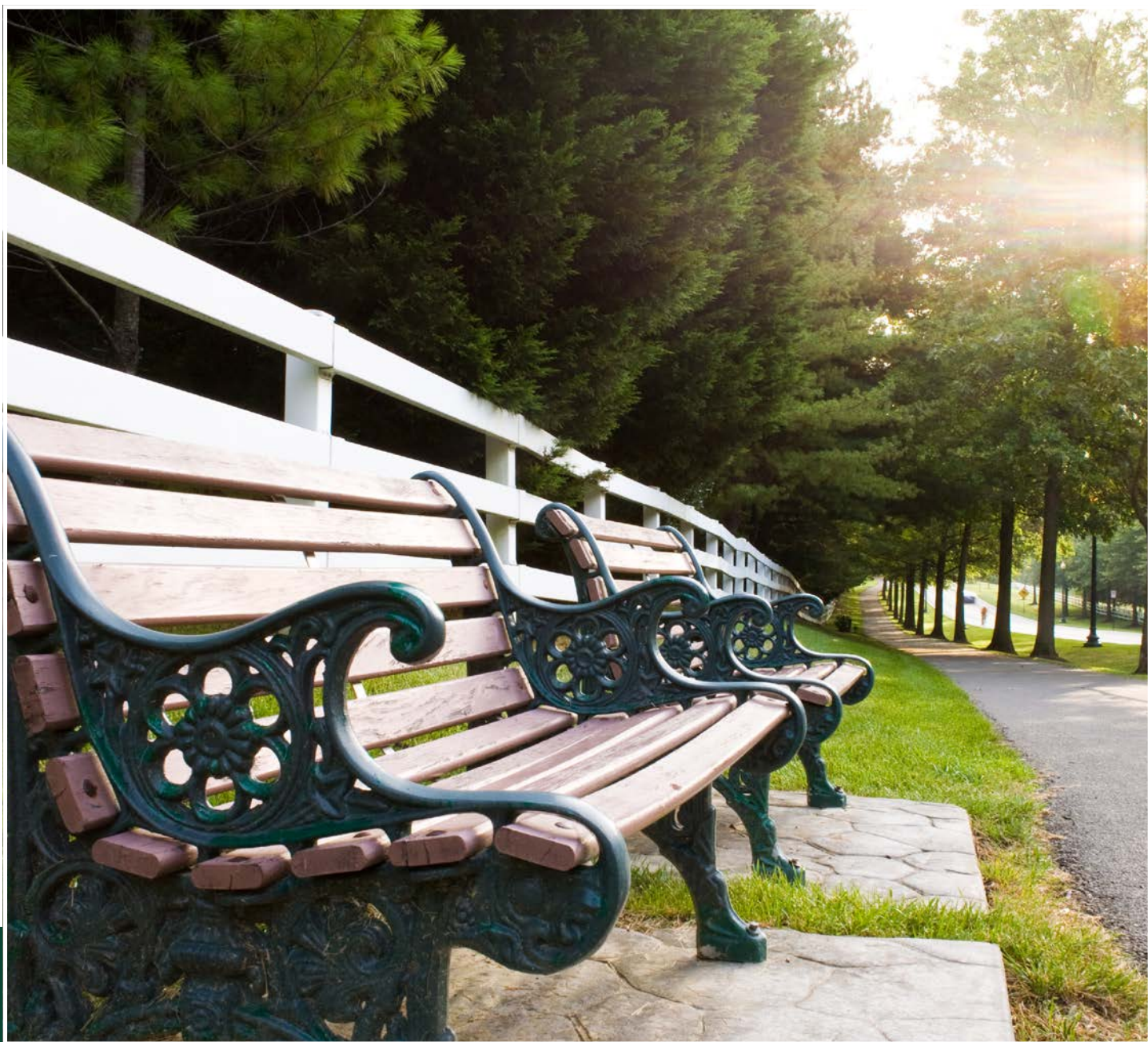


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## Welcome to Avenel

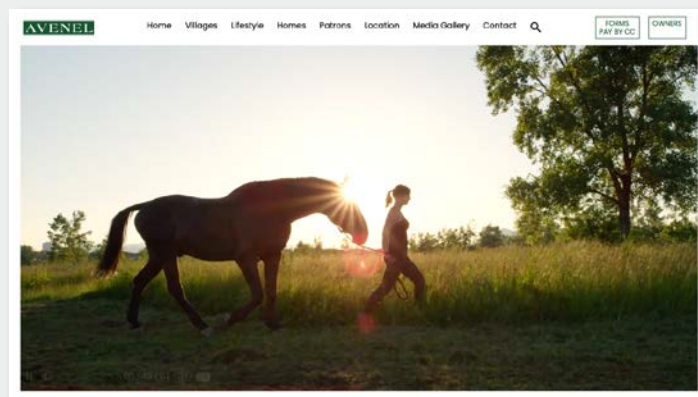
The Avenel Community Association extends a warm welcome to the following new residents who joined our community.

### Abbey Terrace

The Choi Family

### Eagle Ridge

The Gurayah & Malas Family



## Website Update:

Liveatavenel.com has new features and content!

- Online purchasing for pool passes, HOA documents, and other select items
- Community Forms in a fillable format
- Community Emails
- Architectural Guidelines
- Landscape Webinar Recordings

## Have you registered for the OWNERS section?

Follow these three steps to register:

1. Go to the home page and click on the OWNERS button.
2. Click the register link and follow the instructions.
3. ACA staff will approve your request.

## Let's Connect on Social Media!

Connect with us on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube to stay up-to-date on upcoming Avenel social events and activities, photos, videos, and more. Don't forget to like our posts and share content with your friends and neighbors to help our community stay connected and grow. We don't mind bragging about the best community in the DMV. 😊

**Facebook:** @AvenelMD

**Instagram:** @avenelcommunity

**YouTube:** Avenel Community

## Update on Traffic/Pedestrian Safety:

The Association is continuing to work to improve pedestrian safety and reduce speeding in the community. On February 13, the Board of Directors and ACA Management met with Councilmember Friedson to discuss potential solutions. In April, we sent additional information to residents, along with a survey, to gauge the degree of community support for the potential installation of crosswalks and/or speed cameras on Oaklyn Drive. To view this communication, visit Liveatavenel.com. Please note that Oaklyn Drive is a public street owned and maintained by Montgomery County. The survey is not a vote, and while we can share the results with the county, they may not implement the most popular results.

As we continue to explore our options for improving traffic and pedestrian safety in the community, we will keep you informed with updates.

## Financial Status (unaudited)

As of February 28, 2023

### ASSETS

Cash	\$5,172,222
Accounts Receivables	\$61,923
Current Assets	\$61,771
Fixed Assets	\$1,204,653
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>\$6,500,569</b>

### LIABILITIES

Current Liabilities	\$463,584
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### MEMBERS EQUITY

\$6,036,985

\*Information provided by Comsource Management, Inc.

## ACA Hosted a Public Safety Town Hall on March 2nd:

Joining us as guest speakers from the 2nd District Montgomery County Police Department were: Commander Amy Daum, Lt. Brendan Johnston, and Community Service Patrol Officer Demond Johnson. Also present as an esteemed guest was Councilmember Andrew Friedson.

The forum provided an opportunity for residents to hear directly from local law enforcement and our councilmember and more clearly understand specific crime trends impacting the county and current staffing challenges faced by the police department.

A Q&A period followed the presentations, providing residents with an excellent opportunity to participate in an informative open exchange.

We are thankful to the MCPD Command Staff and Councilmember Friedson for their attendance, service, and commitment to our community.

For more information and takeaways from the meeting, visit the Owners section of our website at Liveatavenel.com and select Public Safety Town Hall Recap under Latest Newsletters.





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## Revised Document Enforcement Policy

The Board of Directors has reviewed and approved changes to the Document Enforcement Policy. You can review the revised policy at [Liveatavenel.com](http://Liveatavenel.com). If you would like a printed copy, please contact the ACA office, and one will be provided to you.

## ACA's Approach to Maintaining Community Standards

The ACA conducts periodic inspections and communicates with owners when community standards are not being met. Additionally, we follow up on instances where an owner reports a potential violation. In these situations, the association seeks to communicate with the owner and work towards correction. Matters that cannot be resolved between the owner and management are referred to the Standards Committee for adjudication.



## Pool and Tennis News

### Tennis Court Hillside Landscape Renovation:

In November, a large-scale renovation of the hillside landscape at the Avenel Swim & Tennis Facility was completed. The juniper plantings, which were installed approximately twenty years ago, had been in severe decline and had become an eyesore. To address this, the Intreague Landscape Architecture firm was employed to create new design options. The selected plan is a Strong Drift Planting, which creates a natural look with a manicured approach. Large arcs were pulled through the planting area to enhance the natural impact. The area now features 14 plant species, including trees, shrubs, perennials, grasses, and groundcovers, which provide seasonal interest throughout the year. We hope that residents will enjoy and appreciate the new plantings as they mature during the 2023 growing season and beyond.

### Pool Opening Memorial Day Weekend:

The pool will open Memorial Day weekend on Saturday, May 27. Please make sure your pool passes are ready to enjoy the summer fun. The pool Community Room and Picnic Area will be available to rent throughout the season. You can find the rental applications on the Avenel website at [LiveatAvenel.com](http://LiveatAvenel.com). Please keep an eye on your community emails for more information to follow.

In addition, the ACA and Avenel Social Committee are planning a pool opening cookout on May 27 from 12-2 pm. Volunteers are always needed to make our events a success, and if you are interested in helping to set up, clean up, or able to grill for a couple of hours on the Saturday before Memorial Day, please email Christine at [leechristine4@verizon.net](mailto:leechristine4@verizon.net).

A big shout-out to our event sponsors – Traudel Lange, Real Estate Specialist with Compass, and Erik Kimel with Hassle Free Home Services. Our sponsors not only help defer costs but also provide the additional help needed to ensure everyone has a great time.



### Tennis Update:

As some of you may have heard, Coach George has accepted a position at the Junior Tennis Champions Center (JTCC). The Association has been in communication with JTCC and Coach George regarding this year's schedule at Avenel. While there is still some uncertainty, we hope Coach George will be available to return this year, although it may be in a more limited capacity. We will keep residents posted as we learn more.



### Tennis & Pickleball WhatsApp Group:

Avenel residents can now use the app, "WhatsApp" to keep track of those playing tennis and pickleball around the community! The app helps residents stay informed when people are gathering to play. Two Swim and Tennis Advisory Committee members helped create these groups and serve as the group administrators. These groups are for current residents only.



WhatsApp Tennis Group



WhatsApp Pickleball Group

### Friendly reminders:

- We ask all users to respect the Rules and Regulations posted in front of the courts.
- Remember that residents can bring up to three guests. You must be present while your guests are using the courts.
- The courts are secured with a combination lock. For the code, call the ACA office at 301-299-5916.

### Avenel Alligators Swim Team:

Avenel Swim Team is excited to bring back fun and fast swimming this summer! We would like to welcome all Avenel children ages 3 to 18 (as of June 1, 2023) to be part of our proud Alligators! Our team swims in the CCSDA League (Country Club Swim and Dive Association). Our primary focus is having fun while providing instruction for each individual as they reach their potential in competitive swimming.

Registration will open in late April.

-Avenel Swim Team Board of Directors

# COMMITTEE CORNER

## Swim and Tennis Advisory Committee:

The newly restructured Swim and Tennis Advisory Committee had their first meeting on March 8th and will have a second meeting on April 13th. During their first meeting, the committee discussed plans for the upcoming pool season and ideas for community activities and involvement.

One idea was to form Pickleball and Tennis groups on WhatsApp where residents can talk to each other and plan when to play. You can find links to these groups in this newsletter. Thank you to Seth Kornfeld (Tennis) and Lori Leasure (Pickleball) for volunteering to administer the WhatsApp groups and to all members for their great ideas and active participation.



## Swim Team Formation Committee:

Swim Team representatives previously expressed a desire to become a separate entity. To help in this effort, the Board created the Swim Team Formation Committee and appointed members on February 10th. The committee's plans to incorporate the swim team are moving along well. We will share more updates with residents, including details about the upcoming swim season, as soon as we have them.

## Social Committee:

The Social Committee met in March and immediately got to work planning events and activities for 2023.

On May 27th, the committee will hold an opening day cookout from 12-2 pm to celebrate the pool opening (Rain date: May 28th, same time). The popular 4th of July Bike Parade is scheduled for July 4th from 10-11:30 am. Keep an eye on your inbox for more information.

If you want to help with a community event - or join the Social Committee - please contact Colby or Lucy.

These committees are just a few of the various committees of the Association. We would also like to recognize the members of the Modifications Committee, Standards Committee, Homeowners Advisory Committee (HAC), and Landscape Committee for their continued efforts to maintain and improve our Community.

## Are You Receiving Our Electronic Community Updates?

The Association primarily communicates important news, updates, and alerts via email. If you are not receiving our emails, please check your "spam" folder. If you wish to be included on our mailing list or add additional email addresses to your homeowner information, please email [customerservice@liveatavenel.com](mailto:customerservice@liveatavenel.com).

We also routinely post updates on our website at [Liveatavenel.com](http://Liveatavenel.com). Please be sure to check the website regularly and make sure we have your current email address, so you don't miss any important news or notifications.



## Kids at Avenel

by Tammi Damas

The Kids at Avenel group has started 2023 with a lot of activity as membership continues to grow, with new Avenel residents expressing interest in joining.

During the months of February and March, there were two Mom's Night Out social events held at Millie's Spring Valley and TPC Potomac's White Oak Grille. The K@A annual Spring Festival was held on Sunday, March 26, at the home of the Depetris Family.

If you would like to join, host an activity, or be notified of upcoming activities/events, please email Tammi at [kidsatavenel@gmail.com](mailto:kidsatavenel@gmail.com) to be added to the email list.

## Avenel Park Improvements

The county has made some changes at Avenel Park, including planting 39 new deciduous and evergreen trees. They have re-seeded one of the fields and are also creating a small practice field for frisbee golf.



# COMPLIANCE CORNER

## Apply Before You Modify

Spring is here, and it's time to start those outdoor projects. Please remember that all exterior changes made to your home require prior approval. Residents are also reminded to apply for any changes to a project previously approved by the Modifications Committee.

## How to Apply

- Modification applications are due on the 1st Monday of the month. Submit your application on time to avoid delays. Applications submitted after the deadline will be reviewed the following month.
- Before submitting an application, check the guidelines relevant to the change you want to make.
- Always refer to the "Application" section of the guidelines to ensure your application is complete with supporting documentation.
- If an incomplete application is submitted, the review process may be delayed.
- For some of our larger projects, the committee is happy to review and comment on conceptual plans.

## Committee Meetings

- The Modifications Committee meets on the 2nd Monday of each month at 5:00 pm.
- Meetings are open to all Avenel residents.
- Applicants are welcome to attend the meetings to present their applications and answer any questions that committee members may have. Please let us know if you plan to attend.
- As part of the review process, Avenel staff and Modifications Committee members may make site visits to the applicant's property to see the home site and visualize the changes being proposed.

## Application Process Timeline

- The review process generally takes thirty (30) days from the time that the completed application is submitted.
- Applicants will generally receive a written decision within 7-10 business days following the meeting.
- For immediate information on whether an application was approved and if any conditions apply, contact Colby at 301-299-5916.

## Questions

For questions or assistance with the application process, contact Colby Schlekeway, Community/Compliance Manager at 301-299-5916 or [colby@liveatavenel.com](mailto:colby@liveatavenel.com).

## Modifications Committee

The Modifications Committee is comprised of residents who volunteer their time to review modification applications submitted to the ACA office. The committee is guided in its efforts by the Association's Governing Documents and Architectural Guidelines.

The committee's goal is to ensure that exterior modifications are consistent with the architectural standards that preserve Avenel's aesthetic appeal for the benefit of all homeowners. They are committed to their role, and will also work with owners and their contractors/architects toward adjusting certain aspects of a proposed modification to gain approval.

For more information on the application process, to download the Modification Application form, or to see examples of Modification Applications and review the Architectural Guidelines - please visit Avenel's website at [LiveatAvenel.com](http://LiveatAvenel.com) and sign into the Owners section, where this and so much more information is available, including a list of Modification Applications that have been submitted for review.

## What Happens If You Don't Apply?

Making changes to the exterior of your home without first applying is a violation of the Governing Documents. This can result in costly fines and penalties, and may require you to remove or modify the change to meet compliance.

Here are some examples of what has happened in the past:

- A resident replaced their roof with an unapproved material. The owner was required to remove and replace the roof with an approved material, incurring substantial costs.
- After modifying a deck that did not meet the village standard, and without applying, a resident accrued significant fines. Ultimately, the owner corrected the violation and was required to reimburse the association for legal fees and costs and pay substantial fines.

Residents can easily avoid negative consequences by following the established process. Please note that guidelines may vary depending on the village, and changes that are approved in one village may not be approved in another.

Ultimately, the architectural review standards and procedures aim to assure quality design and construction while preserving and enhancing the characteristics of the community and its individual villages. This also maintains the uniform high aesthetic standards that make Avenel a desirable place to live and preserve and enhances property values in the community.

We thank you for your cooperation, and for the majority of our residents who already follow the approved process.

## Know Your Boundaries

Knowing the exact boundaries of your property may not seem important, but it can be key in avoiding unnecessary expenses and conflicts with your neighbors. This knowledge can help when installing, maintaining, or removing landscape plants, building a pool, a structure, or an addition, adding a driveway or fence, or making any other changes to your property. If you build or plant something in an area on someone else's property, you could be responsible for moving it and repairing any resulting damage.

There are several ways to determine property lines. One way is to consult your property plat, which is a drawing that maps out your property's boundary lines and is included in your settlement paperwork and, in some cases, online on sites like <https://mcatlas.org/plats> or [plats.net](https://plats.net). Other methods include hiring a surveyor or searching for Geographical Information System (GIS) maps online.

As a homeowner, it's crucial that you are aware of your property lines so that you can respect your neighbor's property and avoid any potential disputes.



## Feeding Wildlife: You May Be Doing More Harm Than Good!



The Association has received numerous complaints from residents about their neighbors feeding wildlife. Feeding wild animals, whether on purpose or not, can do more harm than good. Please consider the following reasons not to feed wildlife offered by The Humane Society and the Maryland Department of Natural Resources:

1. "People" food isn't good for animals. Human foods aren't nutritious enough for animals and may cause serious health problems. Though wildlife may accept handouts from people, they will likely not get the balanced diet they need for good health.
2. Animals that are fed by humans often lose their natural fear of people. Feeding can make potentially dangerous animals become too comfortable in residential or recreational areas. Once animals learn they can panhandle for food, they can become a nuisance – or even worse, a safety risk.
3. An overabundance of wildlife can damage the local habitat. Any given area can only support a limited amount of wildlife. An overabundance of animals drawn to a feeding area can damage the local habitat for not only the animals being fed but other species as well. Also, feeding wildlife may cause problems and/or nuisances for your neighbors.
4. Wild animals who depend on people for food can cause injuries or spread disease. When wild animals gather for food handouts, it can cause overcrowding and competition. These unnatural conditions increase the chances of fighting and injury among animals. It can also increase the spread of diseases, some of which may be transmitted to people and pets.

For more information, please contact the Maryland Department of Natural Resources at 410-260-8540 or visit their website at [dnr.maryland.gov/Wildlife/](http://dnr.maryland.gov/Wildlife/).





## Volunteer Opportunities

### Seeking Volunteers

#### Homeowners Advisory Committee:

The Homeowners Advisory Committee (HAC) is an advisory committee to the Board of Directors, with one representative serving from each Village in Avenel. The committee meets with ACA Management on a quarterly basis, generally in the evenings at 6:00 pm. HAC members are kept current on matters affecting the community-at-large and raise matters with ACA Management as they relate to their own particular Village and the community.

The Board of Directors is kept abreast of comments received from the HAC and often relies on the HAC to provide input on a variety of matters.

The HAC is actively seeking community volunteers for the following Villages, as we have not received any volunteers for the vacancies in:

- Saunders Gate
- Pleasant Gate
- Player's Gate (appointment is pending)

If you are interested in representing your Village as a member of the HAC, please contact the ACA office at your convenience for more information. In the event that we have more than one resident volunteer per village, then the village residents will be sent a ballot to elect their representative.

#### Social Committee:

The Avenel Social Committee aims to bring the community together by organizing events throughout the year, such as summer parties at the pool, the 4th of July Bike Parade, and the Halloween Trunk-or-Treat. Attendance at these events is increasing, and we want more people to get involved to keep building our community. We need more volunteers to make this happen.

Any amount of time you can give is appreciated. Even helping out at just one event can make a big difference. Please consider chipping in by taking an active role. It's a great opportunity to meet your neighbors and contribute to our community.

Contact Lucy or Colby at the ACA office if you're interested in learning more.

### Additional opportunities to volunteer are available on the following committees.

- Modifications Committee: Alternate member positions are available, and an upcoming opening for a regular member (September 2023).
- Standards Committee: Openings are available for alternate members, and there are upcoming openings for regular members (September 2023)
- Landscape Committee: Openings are available for regular members.

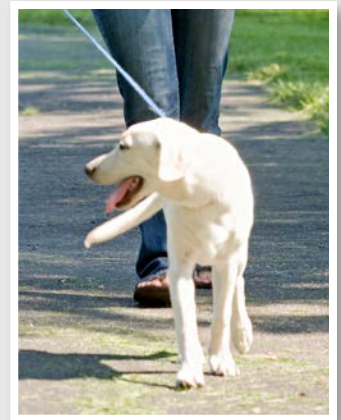
All committee members serve a three-year term. To learn more about volunteering or specific committees, please contact the ACA office.

### ACA Committee Volunteers – THANK YOU!

The Avenel Community Association is a large, complex and diversified organization that presents many management challenges. The ACA would like to take a moment to thank all our residents who donate their time, expertise, and efforts in helping our Association meet those challenges. Our committees and volunteers are the backbone and fabric of our Association. The ACA Management and staff are truly thankful to have such an incredible group of volunteers that collectively aim to maintain Avenel as a premiere Community. Please join us in taking a moment to thank your neighbors who graciously volunteer on behalf of the Avenel.

### Friendly Reminder: Clean Up After Your Pet:

Avenel is proud to be a pet-friendly community where pets and their owners are often seen enjoying walking paths and common areas. Remember to always clean up after your pet. Bring a bag or two with you and dispose of your pet's waste in the designated pet waste stations located throughout the community. Using these stations properly is important. The Association has found household trash in the stations, clogging them and leading residents to dispose of bags on the ground.



Please note that Avenel rules and Montgomery County Ordinance state that no pet shall damage, soil, defile or defecate on private property other than the pet owner's property. This includes common areas, cul-de-sacs, etc. If you notice any violations, you can file an official complaint with the Association by completing a Pet Complaint form or report violations to Montgomery County by calling 301-279-8000.

Let's work together to keep Avenel clean and beautiful for all our residents - including our four-legged friends!



# TCP ANNOUNCEMENTS



## A message from our neighbors at the TPC Potomac at Avenel Farm...

### Social Memberships

TPC Potomac has reintroduced a limited number of Social Memberships.

#### Member Privileges:

- A la carte dining in the White Oak Grille and al fresco dining on the patio.
- Participation in social events for you and guests such as *Lobster Fest, holiday brunches, wine tastings, happy hours, Prime Rib Night, Stone Crab Night, and more.*
- Access to clubhouse facilities for personal/business custom catered events both large and small.
- Access to Board Room and Executive Suite for meetings or workspace.
- Membership Privileges extended to Member's spouse and dependent children (includes full-time students living at home up to age 25).

#### Access Fees:

- Initiation Fee: \$5,000
- Annual Dues: \$2,865
- No food & beverage minimum
- No capital assessments

*\*Restrictions: Social Members have no access to the golf course, practice facilities or golf simulators.*

For more information, contact Keith Steinberg – Sr. Director Sales & Marketing at 301-767-0505 or [ksteinberg@pgatourtpc.com](mailto:ksteinberg@pgatourtpc.com).

## Get Ready to Tee Off with the PGA Junior League

Registration is open to both TPC members and non-members of Avenel, subject to space availability.

Calling all young golfers in the Avenel neighborhood! Are you looking for a fun and exciting way to get your junior athlete involved in the game of golf? Look no further than the PGA Junior League at TPC Potomac!

We are excited to announce that we have only a few spots left for our upcoming PGA Junior League season, and we don't want you to miss out on the fun. This is a great opportunity for young golfers to learn new skills, build lasting friendships, and get out on the course for some friendly competition.

But that's not all – TPC Potomac offers a variety of other junior golf programs throughout the season, including clinics, camps, and other events. Whether your child looking to improve your swing, learn more about the game, or just have fun with other young golfers, we have something for everyone.

PGA Junior League is open to boys and girls ages 9-13, and we provide a welcoming and inclusive environment for players of all skill levels. Whether your junior athlete has played before or is just starting out, our experienced coaches and instructors will help you take your game to the next level.

But time is running out, and we only have a few spots left. Don't wait – sign up today and join the fun!

To register or learn more about the PGA Junior League, visit our website at [TPCPotomacInstruction.com](http://TPCPotomacInstruction.com) or contact Tim Ritter directly at [timritter@pgatourtpc.com](mailto:timritter@pgatourtpc.com). We can't wait to see you on the course!



## Did You Know?

Did you know that the Avenel Community Association is a veritable wealth of information for our residents? Visit our website to review our community supported Contractor Recommendations Book to find a contractor for your next project as recommended by fellow residents. Also, should you have engaged the services of a contractor that you would like to recommend to the community, please fill out a "Contractor Recommendation Form" so that we can add them to our growing list!

It only takes a few minutes and is a great way to help your neighbors. Visit our website to download a copy of the form or email [customerservice@liveatavenel.com](mailto:customerservice@liveatavenel.com).

### Having a party?

Contact the ACA at least one week prior to your event, let us know how many guests you are expecting, and we will install

temporary no parking signs along one side of the street to avoid double parking, and provide clearer parking instructions for your guests. Expecting a large crowd...consider hiring the services of a valet parking company.

### Leaving town?

You may wish to contact the ACA and provide us with a temporary absence report. Provide us with the dates that you will be out of town, your contact information, any visitors or packages you may be expecting, etc., and our surveillance staff will be informed of your temporary absence.

### Village related concern?

Please feel free to communicate with your HAC representative who will bring any concerns to the attention of ACA Management and the Board of Directors.

## Avenel LANDSCAPE SCHEDULE

### Spring/Summer 2023

#### March 1 – May 13

##### MULCHING

Beds are edged, followed by an application of 2" of mulch. This schedule may be adjusted or delayed by adverse weather conditions.

#### March 15 – May 15

##### LAWN FERTILIZATION

2 applications of a synthetic/organic blend fertilizer

#### March 28 – December 15

##### MOWING

Mowing is scheduled every 7-10 days between late March and the end of September and every 15 days from the beginning of October through mid-December. During wet soil conditions, mowing may be delayed, or some areas may be avoided to minimize damage to the lawn.

#### April 1 – September 30

##### BROADLEAF TURF WEED CONTROL

4 spot applications of an organic control product.

**Reminder:** The Montgomery County Pesticide Law prohibits the use of traditional synthetic herbicides to control most summer annual turf weeds.

#### May 1 – October 31

##### PRUNING OF SHRUBS AND CERTAIN ORNAMENTAL TREES

Four cycles occur every 6 weeks. The first cycle is the most labor-intensive, and the last cycle is the least labor-intensive.

#### August 20 – October 31

##### LAWN AERATION AND SEEDING

100% of the lawn areas are double aerated and seeded.

#### September 1 – October 31

##### LAWN FERTILIZATION

Two applications of a synthetic/organic blend fertilizer to assist in the recovery of turf damaged the previous summer.

## Landscape Webinar Series

A series of webinars began in January 2023, covering various landscape topics appropriate for the time of year they are held. McFall & Berry management leads the webinars with participation by ACA staff. Early topics included routine pruning services, rejuvenation pruning of trees and shrubs, ornamental grass and perennial cutbacks, spring flowers, and mulching. A question-and-answer period follows each presentation. Dates and times are sent to residents via email in advance of each webinar.

If you missed out, you can watch the full webinar recordings on the Avenel website at [Liveatavenel.com](http://Liveatavenel.com), in the Owners section.

# Do home repairs stress you out?



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# APRIL 2023 Meetings & Events

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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2	3	4 Standards Committee Meeting 5 PM	5	6	7	8
9	10 Modifications Committee Meeting 5 PM	11 Landscape Webinar 6:30 PM	12	13 Swim and Tennis Advisory Committee Meeting 4 PM	14	15
16	17	18 Connelly School Tennis Match 4:15 PM	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 Connelly School Tennis Match 4:15 PM	28	29
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# MAY 2023 Meetings & Events

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 Standards Committee Meeting 5 PM	3 Conelly School Tennis Match 4:15 PM	4	5	6
7	8 Modifications Committee Meeting 5 PM	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 Homeowners Advisory Committee Meeting 6 PM	18	19	20
21	22	23 Board of Directors Meeting 8:30 AM	24	25 Connelly School Tennis Match 4:15 PM	26	27 Pool Opening at 10 AM & Opening Day Cookout 12-2 PM
28	29 Memorial Day - ACA Office Closed	30	31			

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**The Modifications Committee** – The Modifications Committee meets on the 2nd Monday of every month at 5:00 pm. Submissions to the Modifications Committee are due by 12:00 pm on the 1st Monday of every month.

**The Standards Committee** – The Standards Committee generally meets on the 1st Tuesday of every month on an as-needed basis at 5:00 pm.

**The Homeowner's Advisory Committee** – The HAC generally meets once per quarter at 6:00 pm. The remaining meetings for 2023 are scheduled as follows: May 17th, September 13th, and December 13th.

**The Board of Directors** – The Board of Directors generally meets on the 3rd or 4th Tuesday, every other month, at 8:30 am. The next Board meeting is scheduled for May 23rd.

**Pool Opening** – May 27th at 10 am

**Pool Opening Cookout** – May 27th, 12-2 pm (Rain date: May 28th)

**4th of July Bike Parade** – July 4th, 10-11:30 am



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