## MONTHLY HOA NEWSLETTER

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#### **HOA** board nominations open

Run for a seat on the HOA board of directors to make an impact on the community, shape local decisions and contribute to the quality of life for yourself and your neighbors.

The Villages at Godley Station's Homeowners' Association will conduct the annual board of directors elections in January at the Annual Meeting. In order to ensure plenty of time for ballot preparation and dissemination, the candidate nomination period is now open and will run up until the time of the Annual Meeting in January 2025. However, anyone who plans to run and would like to ensure their name appears on the ballot should submit their nomination forms no later than Oct. 8 to allow enough time for the creation, printing, and mailing of the ballot.

Candidates may nominate themselves after the Oct. 8th deadline, but their names may not appear on the printed ballot. The form and instructions for submission can be found in this newsletter on pages 2-3.

A ballot and voting instructions will be produced and mailed to residents by mid-December, along with an agenda and packet of informational materials for the January Annual Meeting, which is open to all residents.

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#### **NEWS & TOPICS IN THIS ISSUE**

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6 PM Sept. 14: Adults Only Trivia Game Night at the clubhouse

7 p.m. Sept 18: Activities & Events Committee meeting @ clubhouse



**GET YOUR TRIVIA TEAM READY!** 

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### Serve on HOA board - make a difference!

(Article continued from page 1)

Board candidates must be in good standing with the community, having no outstanding dues or fees levied against them. Board members operate in a completely voluntary capacity after being elected by the residents of the Villages at Godley Station to act in the community's best interest. They abide by the HOA's bylaws, which govern how the association operates and contain the guidelines by which the community is operated.

Elected board members are required to attend the HOA's monthly meetings on the second Wednesday of every month. They also serve on and lead the HOA's various committees, including open spaces, events & activities, and facilities & amenities, among others.

Board members are highly encouraged to attend and help with community events and celebrations, such as the annual holiday party, Easter egg hunt,



back-to-school bash, and trunk-ortreat. Serving on the board requires a commitment of 6-8 hours per month in meetings plus additional hours of uncounted voluntary efforts to prepare for those meetings plus help with the daily guidance for current issues and events, but it is a rewarding experience.

Having an active board safeguards the community's property values and helps to ensure residents' satisfaction, safety, and happiness. Becoming a board member is a great way to funnel your energy into

solving community problems, meet new people, and ensure the neighborhood's rules and regulations are reflective of our community's nuanced needs and priorities.

Please consider running for the board to make a difference and improve your community.
Ballots may be mailed in to Sentry, scanned and emailed, placed in the secured drop box at the entrance of the Sentry building, or submitted at the Annual Meeting.

#### **COMPLETE THE CANDIDATE NOMINATION FORM ON PAGE 3**



## Sign up for a committee today!

The HOA is in need of volunteers to join its committees, which include the Events & Activities, Open Spaces, Amenities & Facilities, and Communications.

Committees meet once per month and help with a variety of events and initiatives, depending on their focus. Learn more and sign up by clicking here!

## Fall Community Wide Yard Sale is Oct. 19-20

Residents are encouraged to hold yard sales at their homes. Signs to publicize sales will be available at the clubhouse on Friday, October 18. Please take one to set up at the corner of your block, but please leave some signs for everyone else and remember to return them!



# Model is BASS

After a two week break, yoga classes will resume Sunday, Sept. 8 with a new time of 8:30 a.m. on the pool deck. Residents are welcome to attend classes, held at 8:30 a.m. every Sunday, unless otherwise noted. VGS resident and certified yoga instructor Suzanne Peace leads the class, which includes warm up standing poses, balance poses and stretching with closing savasana (resting pose). Bring yoga mat or large towels, any props you

have and water.



#### Dear Neighbor,

You are invited to participate in the annual voting of the 2025 HOA board of directors of the Villages at Godley Station Homeowners' Association. Once the nomination period is complete, ballots will be prepared and provided to residents who may vote by filling out their ballots and either mailing them back, emailing them to our community manager, or returning them during the Annual Meeting and budget presentation, which will be given in January 2025. More information about the date, time and format will be provided through the HOA's website, social media and message boards well ahead of time. The presence of a quorum — twenty (20) members in good standing, present in person or by proxy — is required at all annual meetings of members. In accordance with the VGS Bylaws, the board has formed a Nominating Committee to present Association members a slate of qualified candidate(s) for election to the open board position(s).

In accordance with our covenants, we are not electing specific committee / board positions; board member positions are decided by the new board at the first meeting of the year.

Those elected must commit at least 6-8 hours a month for monthly board meetings plus any time it takes to perform the duties of your position. Board members serve 2-year terms, depending on the board officer position they agree to after being elected. The Nominating Committee requests that VGS members who would like to stand for election to the board to indicate their interest by submitting an application by mail or email no later than October 8, 2024, in order to be included on the ballot, which will be mailed to residents and posted online in November. The ballot will also provide spaces for write-in candidates. A written ballot may not be revoked. If you wish to run, fill out the form below and send candidate nominations to:

MAIL: 101 W. Mulberry Blvd., Ste. 225, Savannah, GA 31407 EMAIL: sgibbs@sentrymgt.com

#### APPLICATION FOR NOMINATION TO A 2025 VGS HOA POSITION

I,, a homeowner in good standing (no past-due fees or HOA dues) in the VGS HOA	
•	on The Villages at Godley Station Homeowners' Association Board of
Directors. I would like to serve the VGS	community for the following reasons:
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The following professional, community	, and / or educational experience will aid me to perform this position:
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Saturday, Sept. 14 6 p.m.





Bring your own team of 4 or join a team when you arrive — everyone will have a place!







Enjoy free pizza, desserts, soda and water!
Attendees are welcome to bring their
favorite beverage as well







