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**Pickens South Carolina**

Dear Members,

April 2024

It is with a heavy heart that I write to tell you of the passing of Steven Leslie, long time Property Owners Association member and President of the Board. We acknowledge with gratitude Steven's dedication and commitment to The Rock at Jocassee over all these years. As Vice President/President Elect, it now falls on me to step into Steven's very knowledgeable shoes.

One immediate priority is to improve communication among the POA membership, and to provide better transparency about Board of Directors (BOD) activities. We hope you will find this Newsletter informative and helpful.

Another priority is to review all current budget lines and expenditures, and to work to reduce costs whenever possible. We will be communicating with the property owners in the coming months on our efforts.

It is my honor to serve as your President. We have a great team on the BOD and we are eager to work together collaboratively in the best interests of the property owners.

Yours Truly,

*Darren Gillis*

President

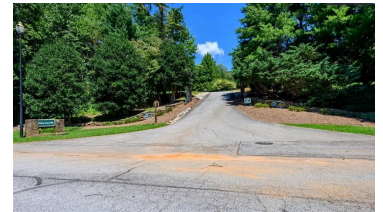
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**COMMUNITY DIRECTORY:** Calling all Neighbors! We are in the process of compiling a neighborhood directory. To include your information, please email the name of all household members, address, email address, telephone number, and the year you purchased here to: **therockpoa@gmail.com**. Once complete, the directory will be made available to all members who have posted their information.

**ROAD UPDATES:** 50% of Whispering Falls Drive (our oldest road at 40 years) has been completely refreshed with new road bed and asphalt. A road surface treatment for the completed road bed on Whispering Falls will be laid in May of 2024. The other 50% of Whispering Falls repaving will be completed in 2025. Road upgrades will be the primary POA focus for the next 10 years.



**MAILBOX UPDATE:** Pursuant to the POA Covenants & Restrictions (Article III, Section 3.15), all residents should have received a mailer recently with details about ordering a POA approved mailbox. The current cost of the mailbox is \$675 (subject to change based on current market value at the time of needed replacement). To order a mailbox, please email **therockpoa@gmail.com**.

**ANNUAL DUES (2024 Regime Fees):** Annual dues of \$600 have been approved by the POA. Please remit any unpaid dues to:

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**STREET LIGHTING PROJECT:** Street lighting at the intersections of Sliding Rock with Falcon Crest Way and Woodmere has been updated. New fixtures have been installed to lessen the glare for neighbors, and to provide dark sky protection for nocturnal animals.

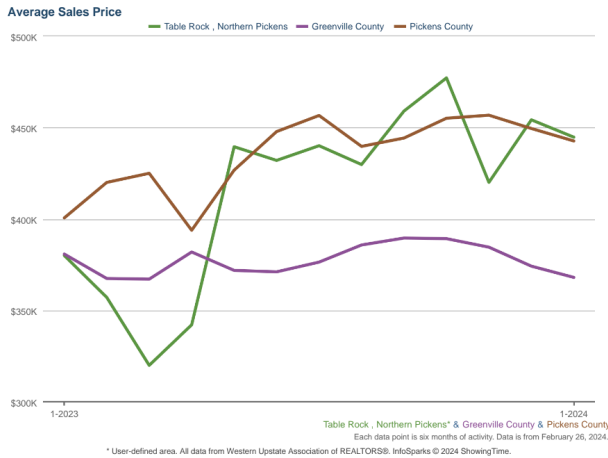
**EVENT SPACE NOW AVAILABLE:** The Rock Golf Club and Resort is extremely excited to introduce you all to their special event space! Formerly the main dining area for The Rock Restaurant and Bar, they will now be hosting different events from weddings, business meetings, live music, and more. More information at <https://therockgolfclub.com>



## EXISTING HOMES & PROPERTY SALES UPDATE:

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Our inventory of available homes is still lower than normal, making it difficult for buyers, but it's a plus for sellers.

Here is the graph of homes sold in our area in the last 12 months. We took a dip early last year, but then rebounded around March and kept close pace with the rest of Pickens County. The higher interest rates are deterring the buyers that need a mortgage, but fortunately for our area, we are still having many buyers relocate here that are paying cash. This is keeping our market very healthy.

*\*information provided courtesy of Greg McMahan at Cherokee Foothills Realty.*

**BUILDING UPDATES:** Construction has begun on Lots 11 & 12 in the Fairway Woods Section. These lots are currently being cleared and graded for foundation installation.

**TRASH COLLECTION ON WOODMERE:** At this time, B&M Sanitation will not collect trash from homes on Woodmere. If you are a homeowner on Woodmere who would like trash collection, please let us know ([therockpoa@gmail.com](mailto:therockpoa@gmail.com)). B&M may be willing to reconsider if enough homeowners commit to service, so we will be keeping a list.



**SHORT TERM RENTAL OPPORTUNITIES:** This is a resource for neighbors looking for short term rental opportunities in the neighborhood:

Table Rock Resort Condos: <https://tablerock-resort.com/>

328 Woodmere Drive: <https://www.staygvl.com/vacation-rental-home.asp?PageDataID=177641>

Any neighbors who would like to advertise a short or long term rental in the community can email to have their property added to the list: [therockpoa@gmail.com](mailto:therockpoa@gmail.com)



**THANK YOU!!** The POA would like to thank Matt Roach and Top Guns Realty for helping to defray the copying expenses for this newsletter!  
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# The Rock at Jocassee Property Owners Association Board: 2024

## Officers:

President, Darren Gillis  
Vice President Elect, Sharon Wester  
Treasurer, Donna Hendricks  
Secretary, Deb Driscoll

## Members:

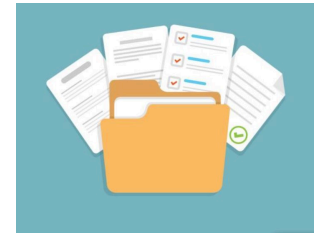
Matt Roach  
JD Henning  
Frank McCormack  
Anthony Anders  
Thomas Heath  
Tommy Biershenk

\*\* Please note that pursuant to the POA Bylaws (Article VIII, Section 1), notice of the POA Annual Meeting in January will be sent via email to the last known email address of record. To ensure that the POA has your most current email address, please contact **therockpoa@gmail.com**.

**POA DOCUMENTS:** <https://www.rockatjocassee.com>

## Bylaws:

[https://rockatjocassee.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/POA\\_ByLaws.pdf](https://rockatjocassee.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/01/POA_ByLaws.pdf)



## Covenants & Restrictions:

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