

Maynard Pond News

Quarterly Update from the Board of Directors ~ Winter 2025

Mission Statement: To maintain Maynard Pond through implementing attractive, sustainable, and sensible low-maintenance strategies, with emphasis on native habitat, pond water management, and environmental stewardship.

Hello Neighbors. 2024 was a busy and productive year for us here in Coronado Village and we have many exciting activities coming up in 2025!

Meet Your Association!

Residents within and beyond our neighborhood continue to enjoy the natural environment surrounding Maynard Pond. To better represent our mission, the Coronado Village Home Owners Association is now **Maynard Pond Association**. This name better represents our mission and local stakeholders.

Get a Native Tree for FREE



Trees for the Triangle (treesforthetriangle.org) has selected our neighborhood to receive 100 native trees to be planted by volunteers in April 2025. Stay tuned for more details

on how your yard may be eligible!

Get Connected

To date, we have distributed flyers and put notices on the Ralph Drive Kiosk to share news and updates. You can help us save time and resources by subscribing to our **e-newsletter** for quarterly news and notifications on upcoming meetings, social activities, and pond workdays. Please send us a message with your email address. (See the Contact section of www.maynardpond.org).

Visit maynardpond.org

In addition to a new name, we have a new website with updated information, pond history, governing documents, upcoming events, along with ways to

contact us with questions. You can also make donations on our website.

Fund Our Mission

Maynard Pond is a special place in the heart of Cary and the centerpiece in our neighborhood. Your financial support is crucial for funding materials, supplies, and services required to sustain and maintain the pond and surrounding natural area.

Property owners who reside in Coronado Village can be voting members of Maynard Pond Association by donating \$200 or more by May 1, 2025, Voting members get only one vote per issue, even if they own



Annual Membership Dues

more than one Coronado Village property. Annual membership dues can be paid online and via QR code above. We need and appreciate your support.

You can also support pond projects with a smaller donation by becoming a **Friend of Maynard Pond**. Friends do not have voting rights, but are welcome at all member and board meetings and social gatherings. They can also serve on committees.

Checks should be made payable to **Maynard Pond Association**. Include your name, address, and email address. Mail checks to:



Treasurer, Maynard Pond Association, PO Box 4971, Cary, NC 27519

Preserve our Pond

Perhaps you have helped in the pond clean-up days or have noticed subtle changes around the pond. Working with an environmental consultant, the board received, reviewed, and began activities to enhance, preserve, and maintain Maynard Pond. We are grateful to all volunteers who contribute time and funds toward these efforts. Main components of the plan, available on our website, include sedimentation, erosion, and wildlife management; habitat quality (native trees, plants, and grasses); wayfinding/ signage; and waste management.



IMPORTANT: New signs indicating designated fishing areas will be posted soon. Limiting fishing to specific locations will greatly reduce

erosion around many of the pond's fragile areas and preserve the natural landscape.

Other ways to help preserve Maynard Pond:

- Join pond work and clean-up days
- · "Adopt" a new tree and water it frequently
- Inform visitors and residents on the importance of fishing in designated areas only.

"It takes this Village to preserve our pond."

Be Prepared

Maintaining the safety and integrity of the dam is one of the most important responsibilities of our Association. During 2024, we completed an update of the Emergency Action Plan (EAP) for the dam, which was submitted and approved by NC Dam Safety officials. The Association is planning EAP training activities to ensure on-going preparedness for emergency situations such as extreme rainfall events.

We recently approved an initiative to prohibit access to the dam for fishing to minimize potential damage to protective vegetation from foot traffic. Signs will be posted soon prohibiting fishing along the dam. Also, a safety inspection of the dam was recently conducted and we are currently developing a plan to exercise the bottom drain valve for the primary spillway on the dam. We will continue conducting routine maintenance of the dam such as grass cutting and removal of brush and trees growing on the embankment slopes.

Celebrate Our 70th!

Created in 1955, Maynard Pond will be **70** years old this year. In February 2016 it was officially named "Maynard Pond" by the U.S. Board on Geographic Names/Domestic Names Committee and was entered



and registered at the Geographic Names Information System (GNIS) website, managed by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS.gov). We are planning several gatherings to celebrate this historic milestone. Let us know if you are interested in helping out.

Save the Dates: Winter 2025

Saturday, Feb 8 – We LOVE Maynard Pond 9:30 am to 11:00 am – Cornado Way Pondside Bring a chair and cup-of-joe or stop by on your morning walk to meet your neighbors. Learn about pond history and maintenance plans.

Tuesday, Feb 18 – Association Board Meeting 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm – email to confirm location Meet your board members. Hear latest updates on pond projects. Connect with a committee.

Monday, Mar 17 – LUCKY to Live Here
5:00 pm to 7:00 pm – Ralph Drive Pondside
Wear green and celebrate Saint Patrick's day with the lucky residents who live near Maynard Pond. Snacks

Make Mr. Rogers Proud

Sidestepping goose poop is already a challenge. Be a good neighbor by keeping your pets on leash and cleaning up after them.

provided. BYOB.



Board of Directors & Officers

Pamela Howe, President Kristen Moore, Vice President Timothy Cohen, Treasurer Matt White, Secretary

Board Members: Scott Auger, Gary Bulman, Cathy Engel, Cara Lewis, and Erin Loftus.

NOTE: The Maynard Pond Association Board of Directors revised and updated the bylaws of the association to strengthen ownership of the pond, extend the terms of the Board members for continuity to better serve the association, and refine voting membership requirements.