



THE SILVER COMET

SEPTEMBER 2024
GAZETTE

SEABOARD TOWNSHIP'S COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

LETTER FROM PRINCIPAL EMILY BLACK

Welcome Seaboard Township Community Members!

My name is Emily Black. I have the honor and privilege of being the principal of Hiram Elementary School for the 2024-2025 school year. I have been an educator for 27 years and have served the Paulding County students and community for the last 18 years. I have spent the last two years as principal at Hiram Elementary. My goal as principal is to continue to provide leadership and support to our dedicated staff in serving our Hiram students and school community. At Hiram Elementary School, student and staff safety is always our highest priority.



Please keep in mind that in order to provide a safe and positive learning environment, all exterior doors remain locked throughout each day. Visitors must provide a picture ID to our security officer or front office staff prior to entering the building. Visitors with appropriate identification and who are in our database may have lunch with their students on occasion, but we do not allow visitors to enter classrooms during the instructional day. We have many events throughout the school sponsored by our PTA and Hiram staff that encourage parent involvement. Curriculum nights, conference days, fall festival, bingo night, and our PTA meetings where our grade levels combine to perform are a few of the opportunities that encourage involvement. We would invite all families or community members of Hiram families to join our PTA. The PTA provides support for our many needs within the building.

Please reach out if you would be interested in volunteering as either a parent or community member.

Sincerely,
Emily Black
Principal, Hiram Elementary School

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

It is our honor to recognize **Kaiden Swinger**, a fifth-grader at Hiram Elementary, as our Seaboard Township Student of the Month for September 2024. This bright and energetic 10-year-old is a shining example of academic excellence, community involvement, and leadership.

Kaiden is particularly passionate about science and math, where his natural curiosity and problem-solving skills shine. Beyond the classroom, he enjoys exploring his interests in anime, swimming, and playing Roblox with his friends. His enthusiasm for learning is evident in his dedication to both his studies and extracurricular activities.

Kaiden's commitment to his community is equally impressive. He has volunteered at The Atlanta Community Food Bank and is also an active member of the Seaboard Township community street team. As part of this team, Kaiden is responsible for door-to-door distribution of the **Silver Comet Gazette**, demonstrating his dedication to keeping residents informed and connected.



Kaiden Swinger, 10

OUTSTANDING HOA DUES

Please be advised that there are still a significant number owners with outstanding HOA dues within our community. Failure to comply with required on-time dues payments may result in late fees, interest charges, and potential legal action. Your timely payment of HOA dues is essential for maintaining our community's amenities, services, and overall property values. If you are suffering a financial hardship, please contact the management office to discuss payment arrangements. Thank you for your immediate attention to this matter!

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 7th & 8th - Paulding Meadow Arts & Craft Festival - Earl Duncan Memorial Park - Dallas, Ga. (Admission: \$3 adults)

September 14th - Art at the Springs 5K Run/Walk (*Advance Registration Required) Thurman Springs Park, Powder Springs, Ga. (8am)

September 21 - Summer Concert Series - Concert Series (Sons of Sailors) Veterans Park, Dallas (Show starts 8pm)

October 27 - Community Trunk or Treat (Seaboard Township) 5pm -7pm

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Seaboard Township Home Values
A Snapshot for July 2024

Median Townhouse Sale Price: \$322,500

Market Trends

Property values in Seaboard Township have consistently shown upward trends, largely due to the community's commitment to maintaining a high standard of living. This positive market outlook makes Seaboard Township an excellent investment for both homeowners and real estate investors.

Seaboard Township's focus on community maintenance and a strong sense of belonging has created a highly desirable residential environment. This commitment to preserving the neighborhood's appeal is a key factor in driving property values and making Seaboard Township a sought-after location for homebuyers.

The Social & Civic Corner

Have you ever thought about getting involved in your community? Now is your chance! We are looking for volunteers to help plan, organize, or run activities and programs for the community and we need your help!

Be a part of the community that you live and help to bring about positive change.

Do you have a great idea for a community event? Drop us an email at:

seboardcommunity@gmail.com

SUPER-BIG THANK YOU!!

We would like to extend our sincere gratitude and thanks to community residents **Stephen Skinner** and **Marquis Harper** for volunteering to serve on our Architectural Review Committee (ARC). Their dedication and commitment to preserving the integrity of our lovely neighborhood is invaluable.

The ARC plays a crucial role in the reviewing and approving of resident modification requests, ensuring that all changes align with established HOA guidelines and maintain the aesthetic appeal of our community. We are fortunate to have such dedicated individuals contributing their time and expertise to this important committee. THANK-YOU!!

END OF SEASON POOL CLOSURE

Due to the unusually hot summer and the ongoing effects of global warming, many communities have extended their pool operating seasons beyond the traditional Labor Day weekend closure. Unfortunately, Seaboard Township has been unable to follow suit due to budgetary constraints and a significant number of residents who have outstanding HOA dues.

While we understand the inconvenience this may cause for our residents, we are working diligently to address these issues and explore options for future pool season extensions. **Our pool will close on Sept. 8th.** In the meantime, we encourage residents to take advantage of other Hiram and Paulding County recreational activities and to prioritize personal safety during the hot weather.



The Silver Comet’s Transformation from Railroad to Recreational Haven

The Silver Comet Trail, a beloved recreational trail that runs through parts of our Hiram community, was originally a railroad service. Named after the Silver Comet Locomotive, a passenger train with dining and sleeping amenities, the old railway has now been transformed into a popular destination for outdoor enthusiasts.

In 1992, the Georgia Department of Transportation purchased the abandoned railway from CSX with the intention of converting it into a transit extension. However, the land was ultimately repurposed as a multi-use trail serving Paulding, Cobb, and Polk Counties.

Construction on the Silver Comet Trail began in Smyrna in 1998 and was completed in 2008. Currently, the trail extends for over 60 miles, all the way to the Alabama border! As a result of the conversion, the trail now offers the public a scenic and accessible route for walking, biking, rollerblading, dog walking, and even horse riding.

The Silver Comet Trail is more than just a recreational path; it’s a community asset that promotes health, wellness, and environmental stewardship. The trail’s popularity has contributed to economic growth in the region, attracting visitors and supporting local businesses.

So whether you’re a seasoned athlete or simply looking for a leisurely outdoor activity, the Silver Comet Trail provides a beautiful and enjoyable experience for people of all ages and fitness levels. Get out and enjoy!



IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Emergency Services:
Emergency: 911
Hiram Police Dept: 770-943-3087
Paulding Fire Dept: 770-222-1160

Community Resources
Seaboard Township (HOA)
All-In-One Community Management
Phone: 678-363-6479
Email: customerservice@allinonemgmt.com

Local Government and Services
Hiram City Hall
Phone: 770-943-3726

Health and Wellness
Wellstar Paulding Medical Center
***** 24 Hour Emergency Room *****
Phone: 470-644-7000
2518 Jimmy Lee Smith Pkwy
Hiram, Ga. 30141

Please keep this list handy for any emergencies or inquiries. Your health and safety is our top priority.

