

ATHENS, GEORGIA

### January 2025 E-newsletter

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# Calendar of Upcoming Events

- 1/20 Inauguration Day
- 1/20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- 1/26 CCCA Annual Meeting
- 2/14 Valentine's Day
- 2/17 President's Day
- 3/4 Mardi Gras Day
- 3/9 Daylight Savings Time Starts
- 3/17 St. Patrick's Day

# CCCA Annual Meeting & Dinner

Remember to register to attend the 2025 CCCA Member's Meeting & Dinner. The meeting will be held the evening of January 26 in the community hall of St. Gregory the Great Episcopal Church, 3195 Barnett Shoals Rd with gathering at 5:30 PM. Parking is at the church and next door at the Montessori School. You need to RSVP to hold one of the 100 seats by either emailing to kenneth.portier@gmail.com or texting to 678-644-9724 or clicking on the button below to fill out a registration form. Remember to provide all the names of those planning to attend in your message. See you there.



## CCCA 2025 Board Openings

There are still a couple of openings on the CCCA Board that remain to be filled. If you yourself or you know of someone who might be interested in filling one of these positions, please click the link below and fill out the form. You will be contacted by someone from the Nominations Committee. Do it now.....

We have four open positions:

Treasurer: The CCCA Treasurer is responsible for the collection, deposit and disbursement of Association funds, including the collection, deposit and disbursement of membership dues. Because of this last task, The Treasurer is also charged with maintaining a list of all CCCA members in good standing (including the members house address and a contact telephone number and email address which are used to electronically distribute the Association's newsletter and aid in Neighborhood Watch). The Treasurer files and maintains the Association's annual corporate registration with the Georgia Secretary of State and ensures US Federal and State of Georgia tax forms are filed annually. The Treasurer presents a status report on Association finances at each CCCA Board of Directors meeting and presents an annual summary at the annual member's meeting. The Treasurer disburses funds by check or digital transfer for goods and services contracted on behalf of the Association and as directed by the Board of Directors. Needs to be able to handle digital spreadsheets and do online banking.

Secretary: The CCCA Secretary's primary task is to take minutes at all meetings of the Association Board of Directors and at the annual meeting of members. The Secretary is also responsible for maintaining past and current records of the Association and archiving Association records with the University of Georgia Libraries Special Collection. Note: Archival of Association records has not been performed in the last number of years and needs to be a primary task for the Secretary for 2025.

Social Activities Committee Chair: This Committee is responsible for developing and implementing activities that foster a sense of community among Cedar Creek residents. Currently the Social Activities Committee supports hosting the annual member's meeting, the spring neighborhood yard sale, the fall festival and the Christmas festival of lights.

Manager of the Association's Website: While the CCCA President is responsible for the CCCA website, maintaining and updating the website is often assigned to a volunteer who reports back to the CCCA Board. Website management was recently moved to WIX which makes the job of the Manager much, much easier. If you can handle Microsoft Word on the computer, you can do this job. Because we are increasing our focus on keeping Cedar Creek informed via our website (and Facebook and Next Door pages), this job may be combined with that of the Secretary.

# High Tech Gardening

#### Prepare for spring planting

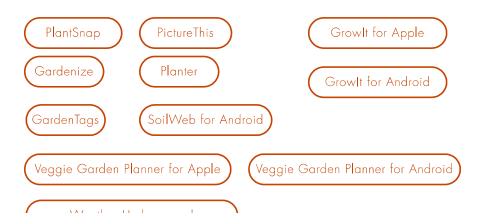
Home gardening is easier than ever with apps that assist gardeners in identifying plants, planning layouts, and managing care routines. Apps like PlantSnap and PictureThis (links below) help identify plants with a quick photo and provide care instructions, making it simple to troubleshoot or learn more about your garden's flora. These tools ensure that even novice gardeners can nurture thriving plants.

Planning apps such as Planter and Gardenize let you organize your garden digitally, track progress, and set reminders for tasks like watering and pruning. Vegetable growers can use tools like Veggie Garden Planner to optimize planting schedules, companion planting, and crop rotation, leading to healthier yields.

Gardening apps also connect you to a community of enthusiasts through platforms like GrowIt! and GardenTags, where you can share tips and seek advice. Additionally, weather and soil monitoring tools like Weather Underground and SoilWeb provide vital environmental data to help you make informed decisions. By integrating apps into your gardening routine, you can save time, stay organized, and enjoy better results.

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