Crosscreek is a single family neighborhood in James Island located just behind the fork of Folly Road and Maybank Highway. With 175 homes, the neighborhood is behind James Island Christian Church and adjacent to apartments and townhouses. The neighborhood is within walking distance to a grocery, pharmacy, restaurants, and medical care, and abuts Lake Hollis, a 7-acre manmade lake that is home to a rich tapestry of wildlife.

The Crosscreek Civic Club is the informal neighborhood association. Contributions are voluntary and usually between $10-50 per year, and the organization is led by an Executive Committee featuring a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Municipal Coordinator. The community stays connected via a Facebook page (I Love Crosscreek) and has 181 residents active as NextDoor Members. Residents are very physically active, regularly walking, running, and biking, and enjoys playing tennis at the abutting Tennis Center in Marlborough (a recent neighborhood spotlight).

Before COVID, Crosscreek neighbors gathered for a potluck at the tennis center, went kazoo caroling over the holidays, and had an annual neighborhood yard sale. During COVID, an increase of neighbors isolated at home has meant increased walking, biking, and visiting neighbors in front and back yards.

Crosscreek has had three streets repaved this year, and has a ditch cleanout underway to prevent flooding. The neighborhood got “No Trucks” and 20 MPH speed limit signs installed as we have sometimes been a cut-through to neighboring Fleming Road. To further reduce speeding, our speed humps were repainted and the signs replaced for increased visibility. The neighborhood maintains our own common areas around the neighborhood entrance signs with our voluntary dues, and prunes around streetlights to keep the neighborhood safe and lit during nighttime.

Because Crosscreek resides near businesses and forthcoming development, the community stays active in planning meetings, advocating for developments to listen to community needs and plan accordingly to make developments more environmentally and pedestrian friendly. We organized and executed the first CBA (Community Benefit Agreement) with CORE, a developer
at the Gathering Place on Maybank Highway, securing funding for a multi-use bridge over a tidal creek to a nearby shopping center to be more accessible via walking/biking. We also advocate for sidewalks on nearby Fleming Road.

Our goals in the future include extending natural gas throughout our neighborhood, and eventually a green space for the neighborhood to gather, play and relax together in a public area.

We Love Crosscreek!

Cathryn “the Grateful” Davis, President
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