

NEWSLETTER

January, 2015

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ANNUAL MEETING THUR., JANUARY 22

Join us at the clubhouse for the 2015 Annual Association meeting on **THURSDAY**, **JANUARY 22**, at 8:00 p.m. Trustee election ballots may be turned in and dues payments will be accepted. Time is set aside to ask questions. Councilman Matt Schonhut will attend. We will discuss 2016 dues increase.

A "WELCOME TO HIGH POINT" program will be held for <u>new residents</u> before the annual meeting on Thursday, January 22. This informational meeting <u>begins at 7:30 p.m.</u> at the clubhouse. Get your questions about High Point answered and hear about our amenities. Reservations are not needed.

28th Annual Easter Egg Scramble

Sunday, March 29th at 2:00 p.m.

Come celebrate spring at our **28th** Annual Easter Egg Scramble. **Mark your calendars now,** *because there will not be another newsletter before this event.* Thousands of brightly colored eggs will be scattered for children to gather. All age groups will be run consecutively (separate groups take only a few minutes each) on **Sunday, March 29,** beginning at 2:00 p.m. Don't be late and bring a bag or bucket to collect eggs. Yes, it is Palm Sunday.

Kids will have an **eggciting** time and lots of fun. Moms, dads or grandparents must attend with participating children. Remember to wear outdoor clothes. There will be three age groups:



7 to 10 years old



Come to the Recreation area tennis courts (please park at clubhouse and walk in). In case of very bad weather, it will be held on Saturday, April 4 at 2:00 p.m. (Homeowner Hotline – 440-638-4304 – will have message if it is bad weather.) Our event usually goes very quickly. Moms and dads can help little ones collect eggs, but we ask parents to use good judgment in having a FUN event for all kids, NOT a contest to see who can get the most eggs.

See you on Sunday, March 29th!

OROBER MORE PRODUCTION

Please order summer pool passes when you pay your annual dues. There will NOT be distribution dates this summer. You must order passes now, even if you are not sure you will use the pool this summer, so you have them when you want them. Almost all residents last year requested pool passes in advance and it worked very well. Passes will be mailed to homeowners by May 16 (we will provide the envelope and stamp). Residents that do not order passes before May 2015 will pay a \$10.00 administrative fee (which trustees donate to the High Point Shark Swim Team) to get passes. If your home is for sale, your new buyer will be exempted from this fee. Existing residents must pay. A Pool Pass Registration form was mailed with your dues invoice. You can download a 2015 pool pass registration form from our website. Click on FORMS. Questions? Call Hotline at 440-638-4304.

Financial Notes for 2014

Trees! In one word the budget for 2014 was crushed by the cost of taking down trees. Although our association knew that the Ash Bore and other tree diseases were ravaging the forests throughout the state, even we were surprised at how many dollars went into tree removal. Not only is it that our association is growing older (people and our development overall), but the City Arborist condemned a record number of trees throughout the city due to disease. Not only was tree removal expensive, but it was difficult to schedule tree removal companies due to the heavy workload.

Another area of expense was the recreation area playground facilities. We are fortunate that we have excellent playground units that are enjoyed by a wide range of children. With heavy traffic throughout the year, there is significant wear and tear on the wood chips that provide a safety surface for play. We had to provide a large number of cubic yards of wood chips to maintain the right cushion and we also installed new mats under the swings where the wear is highest.

Association trustees do a careful job setting the budget each year. We base this on continuing cost of contracts and estimated expenses. We do our best to hold to budgeted amounts and stretch every dollar to ensure we get the max for our money. As for the rest of the financial report for 2014, there were some categories up and some down, but overall the trustees were pleased with the final number. We did not yet realize expected utility savings with the new pool heater, but will continue to monitor operations to ensure we maximize efficiency in the coming years. Please refer to the 2014 Actual to Budget Financial Report and the 10-Year Financial Projection in this newsletter. Trustees will report on the finances in detail at the Annual Meeting on January 22 at 8:00 pm at the clubhouse.

RESERVE STUDY COMPLETED

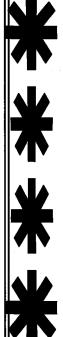
Several years ago the Ohio Legislature determined that some homeowner associations needed help in budgeting for ongoing repairs and maintenance of facilities and amenities. It was mandated that associations build a reserve fund and that they complete a reserve study to serve as a roadmap for maintaining a sound budget position. You may have noticed that for many years, High Point has published our annual financials in the January newsletter, including a 10-year financial projection. That, along with other procedures in place, has allowed the association to add over a million dollars of improvements while keeping our dues lower than other homeowner associations.

In 2014, the trustees completed a Reserve Study for High Point. It can be found on our website on the Governance & Administration tab. Two trustees employed in the field of risk management were able to accomplish this professional report "in-house," at no cost to homeowners. Other associations in Strongsville have paid from \$6,000 to \$10,000 to have this done by professional firms. Along with our 10-year budget projections, we believe High Point continues to enjoy the best of all worlds from our five volunteer trustees. And to further prove that point, a number of Strongsville homeowner associations now employ a professional management firm to run their association and all operations (at significant cost). Your volunteer trustees continue to provide quality management services not only to High Point, but we share information freely with other associations in our city.

Early School Start in Fall 2015

Planning vacation? Strongsville City Schools begin the 2015-16 school year earlier than normal, so that school ends earlier in the spring of 2016. Classes for Grades 1-9 start on August 12 and Grades 10-12 on August 13. PS and KG start August 17. This is being done to accommodate the move to the new middle school from Albion and Center middle schools in the summer of 2016. In addition to the move, it will be necessary to remove the old Center building to install parking for the new school.

That demolition and new construction will be on a very tight time frame and necessitates ending the 2015-16 school year a week early and beginning in the fall a week later. But in the end, it will all be worth it for a new, state-of-art and technologically-advanced middle school for all students to enjoy.





Santa and Guests Fill the Clubhouse

Although our 2014 Holiday Party attendance was a bit smaller (perhaps due to Johnny Football's debut?), it was a hit with kids of all ages. Drew Murray, a magician extraordinaire, and Santa Claus were on hand to entertain over 150 guests (kids, parents and grandparents). Everyone received creative balloon figures and had the opportunity to spend time with Santa. Each youngster received a stocking filled with candy. Mark your calendars now for next year - December 20, 2016. (This event is for residents and grandkids, not cousins and other relatives or friends. We appreciate that other relatives might like to attend, but we need to limit the party to residents – not friends - and grandkids.)

Our giant lighted Christmas tree filled the room with holiday cheer and shone brightly at night in the front window. This year we provided great photos with Santa and were pleased to send two photos with each child, as well as a family group. A great time was had by all. Thanks to all that helped.

Association Dues payable in January

2015 Association Dues Notices were sent out via first class mail to each High Point homeowner. You should have received your dues notice already. If you did not receive your invoice or misplaced it, you can download an invoice from our website. Click on FORMS. Homeowners of record (owners listed in Cuyahoga County records) are responsible to pay dues, which are due by January 31, 2015.

Our By-Laws require dues be paid January 1 of each year. A grace period is authorized by trustees for payments received during January. Payments made after January 31 (determined by postmark date) are subject to a late fee of \$25 per calendar month, until paid. Dues remain at \$330 per year. If a homeowner has financial or special difficulties paying their dues, call trustees Bob Campobenedetto at 440-238-3013 or Ken Evans at 440-572-3292. If your house is for sale, you still owe dues now and will receive money back (a prorated allowance based on the date of transfer) when you sell later. **We appreciate homeowners who pay their dues on time each year. It is a big help to the trustees.**

Private Use of Common Area Not Permitted

Our greenbelt areas running throughout the development (some wooded and some grass) are intended for the enjoyment of all. Individual homeowners may not extend their yards or allow their children to build forts, bike trails, fire pits or clear trees in common areas. There are many reasons the Association cannot allow this activity. While the trustees do not patrol these areas, if residents observe abuse, they can call the Homeowner Hotline and report such to the trustees for action.

For Your Personal Sledding Safety

Sledding is not allowed on common property. As hills in the common area are too small for this activity and are close to homes, it is dangerous and can easily cause property damage. Certain areas were identified incorrectly by the developer as winter sports areas. Please observe this restriction.

Our association is fortunate that Southwest General Health Center has agreed to allow sledding on the mounds which buffer our development. Sledding is allowed on the slope facing the health center (not on the High Point side where trees were planted on the slope and exist in back yards). This is a large area which can accommodate a large number of people. As with any activity of this type, parents should be present with participants under 12. Please note those going to this area should NOT use the yards to cut through to the mound. Ample parking is available to drive and park behind the Health Center. We appreciate this generous arrangement by SWGHC officials.

NEXT NEWSLETTER IN EARLY MAY

Association trustees will send the next newsletter in May, **but you must order 2015 Pool Passes NOW.** Pool operating hours will be listed in early May newsletter, but you won't be able to order passes then. Association trustees encourage residents to keep up to date using our website.

HOMEOWNER HOTLINE 440-638-4304

Homeowner Reminders

Neighborhood Security – During the winter season, visitors come into our development. Some are invited and some are not. Watch out for activity that does not seem right and call police. If neighbors are on vacation and you seen lights on in the house, it is usually a bad sign. If you see or hear people roaming the area late a night, a call to the police is also warranted. Vandalism, damage and theft all usually take place a night, under the cover of darkness. Police would rather respond to false alarms than not be called and complete crime reports later on. Make sure your front post light is working.

Winter Notes - Residents are responsible to clear sidewalks within 24 hours of a snow. Do not clear driveway aprons by pushing snow into the street, as this is a safety hazard. Snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles or motor bikes are not permitted in the common areas or on the streets at any time.

HIGH POINT SWIM TEAM

There will be a PARENT information/child registration meeting on **Thursday, March 12, at 7:00pm at the High Point Clubhouse**. You can also come just to get information. Registration forms will be available at the meeting. Since *required* committee assignments are made at <u>this meeting</u>, parents who make a time commitment that night receive their **first** choice of duties. Swimmer registrations are not accepted without a commitment by parents to serve on a committee or other assignment. Please remember swim meets cannot operate without the wonderful support of our parent volunteers. (Home meets require at least 40 parents and away meets require at least 28 volunteers.)

Please bring a current e-mail address as important information is sent via the internet (i.e. practice times, schedule changes, cancellation, etc.). If you don't have e-mail, we will still get information to parents via swim team mailboxes or signs posted at the High Point clubhouse. If you have questions about the team please direct *inquiries via email to:* **High_Point_sharks@yahoo.com**

Many thanks to resident Rita Washko who has served as president of the Sharks for many years and has now retired. We appreciate her good work!

Good Luck Sharks in 2015!!!!!



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Association Trustees

 David Knowles
 18435 Yorktown Oval
 440-238-5769

 Jack Schneider
 18275 North Salem Row
 440-238-8679

 Mark Skalak
 17716 Plymouth Row
 440-238-5955

 Ken Evans
 18399 Yorktown Oval
 440-572-3292

 Bob Campobenedetto
 18156 Rustic Hollow
 440-238-3013

Please remember family members can take messages for the trustees, but are unable to answer questions about concerns or issues within the association. Thank you for your cooperation.

Retention Lake Safety

High Point residents are reminded that the two retention lakes in the development are NOT intended for fishing, swimming, boating or other recreational activity. These bodies of water are designed for the purpose of detaining runoff water from the development and surrounding areas. It is especially important to understand that these lakes do not easily freeze and should NEVER be used for ice skating. Parents should not allow children in the area because the banks of the lakes are steep and the water can have debris and contaminants. Lifesaving equipment is not provided at either lake.

2014 Financial Report

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Note 1: This is a double edge sword. We have seen increased use of the recreation area playground equipment which is good. More traffic means we have to replace wood chips to ensure safety.

Note 2: Due to the Ash Bore and other tree diseases, we faced significantly higher expenses for tree removal. This was in addition to an increasing number of older trees that had to be removed.

Note 3: Our natural gas cost did not drop as hoped with the new pool heater. We will continue to adjust the controls of the new pool heater to ensure more efficient use next season.

Note 4: We continue to bid out insurance to get the best price while protecting our assets.

Refer to 10-Year Financial Projection for actual year-end cash balances and projections through 2024.

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Club House Operations/Repair	14,050	869'6			12,200	12,400	12,600	12,800	13,000	13,200	13,400	13,600	13,800
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Lifeguards for Rentals	181	374			300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300
Utilities (ele,gas,w/s,phone)	21,638	26,557	24,844	25,000	25,000	26,000	26,000	27,000	27,000	28,000	28,000	29,000	29,000
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Clubhouse Cleaning Services	4,760	5,081	4,463		5,100	5,200	5,300	5,400	5,500	5,600	5,700	5,800	5,900
Insurance Services	9,494	. 10,037	10,510	10,500	11,000	11,000	11,500	11,500	12,000	12,000	12,500	12,500	13,000
Legal & Finance Services	706	103	462		200	200	200	200	500	200	200	200	200
Taxes (property,payroll)	2,063	1,925	2,204	2,300	2,350	2,400	2,450	2,500	2,550	2,600	2,650	2,700	2,750
Social Events	5,069	5,401	5,429	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500	5,500
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Dues Increase to \$360 Next Year

If you have been reading the January newsletters for the past several years, you have noticed that in 2016 the dues were scheduled to increase to \$360 per year. Dues last increased in 2004, when they went up from \$270 to \$330. While there are various schools of thought, your trustees have not felt that increases each year had any benefit. Our 10-year budget plan has projected this 2016 increase.

Many other associations in Strongsville (both those with and without amenities) increase their dues every year. You can find annual dues in other developments ranging from \$300 to \$500 per year. Thanks to planning and careful penny-pinching, the trustees have managed to hold dues down while providing more than a million dollars of improvements and repairs to facilities and equipment.

Your 2016 dues statement will reflect the new annual amount of \$360. You will also note in our tenyear budget project in this newsletter that the trustees do not expect to raise the dues for at least ten more years after this increase, and that will allow for a fully-funded replacement of the pool in the coming years. Whether it is luck or good-living, the "new" pool was opened in 1997. Typically in this climate, a commercial outdoor pool will last no more than 15 years. Our pool is still in great shape now and we anticipate it continue functioning for several years. But we know the time will come when a new pool is required and we are building reserves to pay for a new pool when it is needed.

Association trustees will talk about this at the January 22 Annual Meeting. Dues for this year (2015) remain at \$330, so you won't pay the new annual amount until next year. Our Reserve Study helps to plan and identify major expenses so there are no surprises. We are fortunate that since homeowners took control from the developer, we have never had any assessment for emergency expenses.

Clubhouse Conference Room Available

Residents should know that a conference room is available for use by local organizations. If a High Point resident has a committee or small group that needs to meet during the day or in the evening, there is no charge to use this room that can hold as many as 20 people for small group meetings. Food is not permitted to be served in the conference room, as the kitchen is not available. Call the Homeowner Hotline for reservations. **440-638-4304** (Use requests should be made at least several weeks in advance. Resident must be present with group.) Availability is first-come, first-serve.

It's a Dog-Gone Shame

Year after year, it is the number one complaint for the Homeowner Hotline. Residents complain about people who walk their dogs and don't clean up after their pets. We all understand it is not the fault of the dog. Inconsiderate residents should be embarrassed leaving poop behind from their pets. Our city requires owners to pick up after their pets. Persistent violators can be cited by the Dog Warden.

Association trustees ask pet owners to use common sense. Dogs, especially when in the recreation and playground area where small children play, should always be on a leash and never running free. We also get calls about cats freely roaming the neighborhoods. People complain about this just as often because they find dead birds killed by cats on the prowl. Please be considerate of neighbors.

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Association trustees have requested the Strongsville Police pay special attention to address speeding problems in our development. Expect targeted enforcement. Please slow down in our neighborhood.

Give Kids a Brake

Drivers in High Point need to be aware and careful. Winter snow mounds and road conditions make driving (especially at night) hazardous for kids and pedestrians. Please slow down and take your time as you drive through High Point. Keep your speed within the posted limits. Especially in the morning as kids wait for school buses, watch out. Please drive carefully and give our kids a brake.

2015 Clubhouse Rentals Booking Now

As a homeowner, you may rent our clubhouse for private parties. Due to heavy rental activity, it is suggested that you plan your dates well in advance. You can check available dates on our Rental Calendar. That being said, don't hesitate to call to check dates when situations arise that require use of the space on short notice. We average 110 rentals a year and it is a great benefit to homeowners. Call the High Point Homeowner Hotline, 440-638-4304, and leave a message. It helps to have several dates in mind when calling. Your call about a rental will be returned within a few days.

Non-Summer Rentals

All rentals for non-summer months (when the pool is closed from Labor Day to Memorial Day each year) are \$125 per day. Our clubhouse is available for rent weekends, weekdays and weeknights for events. We suggest booking as far in advance as possible, especially for Holiday parties.

Summer Rentals

POOL RENTALS may begin as early as 5:00 p.m. for weekday, Friday, Saturday or Sunday evenings, but must share the pool with residents during homeowner hours. Parties ending by 10:00 p.m. are charged \$125 for the rental, which includes the cost of lifeguards, and share the pool with residents the entire time of the rental. Parties may go beyond 10:00 p.m. to midnight, with up to two hours of private pool time, but the rental cost is then \$250. All rentals must end when the contracted pool use ends (10:00 p.m. or 12:00 a.m.) and cleanup must be done immediately thereafter.

(Note: Summer rentals using the pool may not begin until after 5:00 p.m. due to the heavy bather load between the hours of noon and 5:00 p.m. Allowing private rentals would compromise safety for swimmers and that is the highest priority for association trustees and lifeguards.)

NON-POOL RENTAL fee is \$125 (anniversaries, baby or wedding showers, retirements, etc.) and may begin at any time during the day. Residents who rent as a Non-pool rental may not use the pool for their guests, even after 5:00 p.m. Any use of the pool for a Non-Pool Rental violates the rental contract and can result in forfeiture of the security deposit, as it is a safety issue for the association.

Call the Homeowner Hotline (440-638-4304) for information and to make reservations.

A refundable security deposit of \$500 (two checks for \$100 and \$400 payable to High Point) is required and returned if the clubhouse is cleaned and returned as received and no damage is done to the clubhouse. Rental dates are confirmed only when separate checks (rental fee and security deposit) are received, a rental contract has been signed by the homeowner, and a "Release From Liability and Agreement to Indemnify" form has been executed. Clubhouse capacity is 120 people.

Ballot for Association Trustee

Three Board of Trustees positions are available for a two-year term that runs from January 2015 to December 2016. There are five trustees, with Bob Campobenedetto and Ken Evans continuing to serve a two-year term that began in January 2014. Ballots may be mailed to the association post office box or delivered to the Association Annual Meeting on **Thursday**, **January 22 at 8:00 pm**.

Send to: **High Point Trustee Ballot,** P.O. Box 361065, Strongsville, Ohio 44136 Homeowners should vote for three candidates and **mail** the ballot to the address above **no later than January 19** or bring it to the Annual Meeting on January 22. All ballots require the homeowner name and address for validation. Vote for no more than three trustees. A simple majority of votes from the ballots cast will determine the new trustees. (* indicates current trustee)

Vote for 3	■ * David Knowles, 18435 Yorktown Oval ■ * John Schneider, 18275 North Salem Row	Vote for 3
Homeowner casting	■ * Mark Skalak, 17716 Plymouth Row ballot (print)	(name required)
Homeowner addres		Date

Thank you in advance to residents who support the association and cast ballots.

* * Architectural Review Reminder * *

Architectural Control for the High Point Homeowners Association is defined in Article VI, Section 2 (Amended June, 1986) of the High Point Homeowners Association Covenants and Restrictions, titled Architectural Control. "No building, fence wall, or other structure shall be commenced, erected or maintained upon the Properties except by the Developer, or its authorized builder, building company, or other person, firm or entity. No exterior addition to or change or alteration to the Properties shall be made until the plans and specification showing the nature, kind, shape, heights, materials and location of the same have been submitted to and approved in writing as to harmony or external design and relocation in relation to surrounding structures and topography by the Board of Trustees of the Association, or by an architectural committee composed of three or more representatives appointed by the Board (until December 31, 1999, the architectural committee shall consist of three (3) members, two (2) of whom shall be appointed by the Developer and the other being appointed by all Owners other than Developer). In the event said Board or its designated committee fails to approve or disapprove such design and location within thirty (30) days after said plans and specifications have been submitted to it, or in any event, if no suit to enjoin the addition, alteration or change has been commenced prior to the completion thereof, approval will not be required and this Article will be deemed to have been fully complied with.

These protective covenants maintain amenities and protect property values within the association. Keeping this in mind, homeowners are required to follow these steps when performing repairs, making renovations or adding to their homes. (This includes additions, alterations, decks, patios or any other work that requires a building permit from the City of Strongsville Building Department.)

Step 1 – Complete this application and deliver to High Point trustees. Copies of plans, drawings, sketches or blue prints must be submitted with this application form. (These will be returned to you.) A response from the trustees will be returned to the homeowner within a few days.

Step 2 – File for a Building Permit with the City of Strongsville and inform the City that you have already made application with the High Point Homeowner Association.

Step 3 – Association will return your plans indicating action of approval or rejection. Association will respond with same information when contacted by the City of Strongsville.

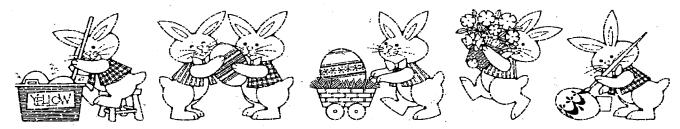
Application for Review of Construction, Addition, Renovation Plans Send to: High Point Homeowner Assoc., P.O. Box 361065, Strongsville, Ohio 44136

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High Point Homeowners Association P.O. Box 361065 - Strongsville, Ohio 44136



FIRST CLASS



Annual Association Meeting Thursday, January 22

© © © **28th Annual Easter Egg Scramble** © © © © SUNDAY, MARCH 29th at 2:00 p.m. - EGGCITING!!!!

HIGH POINT NEWSLETTER

Landscape Contractor Continues in 2015

Erie Landscape, a local Strongsville firm, will continue to provide all landscape services to High Point in 2015. Since 2008 Erie has done a great job maintaining and caring for our common properties. We appreciate their hard work and professional expertise that includes all lawn maintenance, tree and shrub pruning, and cleaning creeks and drainage headwalls. We have many acres of greenbelt and association trustees constantly monitor the areas to ensure they are taken care of and maintained. We appreciate residents reporting landscape problems or issues to the Homeowner Hotline.

Planning to Add or Renovate?

High Point residents are governed by Covenants and Restrictions. If you plan to remodel the exterior or add to your home this summer, it is necessary to contact the association. An Architectural Review form must be completed and submitted with plans or drawings to the trustees for approval. City departments will not approve plans until they receive approval from the association. Forms are in this newsletter or available on our website or by calling the Homeowner Hotline at 440-638-4304.

WEBSITE HAS LATEST INFORMATION

Our website is **www.hpohio.com** and features many categories of information. A helpful tab is available titled "GOVERNANCE and ADMINISTRATION". On this tab you will find Annual Meeting minutes, trustee meeting agendas and Association Financial Reports. Happy reading!

HOMEOWNER HOTLINE: 440-638-4304