# Pool Opens May 23 - Memorial Day Weekend

Memorial Day weekend cannot come fast enough for many residents. Hours for the Memorial Day holiday weekend are noon to 9:00 pm. From June 11 to August 21, the pool is open daily from noon to 10:00 pm. After Labor Day weekend, the pool will close for the season. See the season schedule in this newsletter and at <a href="www.hpohio.com">www.hpohio.com</a>. As it has always been, you must have your 2009 High Point Pool Passes to be admitted to the pool. Pool passes were to be ordered in January when dues were paid. Refer to information in this newsletter about picking up pool late.

### If you did not already order pool passes

As explained in the January Newsletter and the 2009 Dues Invoice, Pool Passes for the 2009 summer season were to be ordered in January with dues payments. An amazing 90% of our residents followed those instructions and submitted their pool registration form. Those passes have been sent to residents. We would like to thank those homeowners who participated in this very successful trial effort. This format will be followed in future years.

If you did not order your 2009 Pool Passes, you can use the Pool Registration Form with this newsletter or download a form from our website (<a href="www.hpohio.com">www.hpohio.com</a>) to order pool passes. You must order pool passes NOW. Pool pass orders will be filled and held AT THE LIFEGUARD PODIUM. They can be picked up when the pool is open (Memorial Day or after). Please understand if you do not order passes until the pool opens, pass requests will only be filled once every two weeks and be held at the podium. **Pool passes will be required for entry into the High Point pool** and that will be enforced by the lifeguards at the direction of the trustees. Be aware – No Pool Pass – No Entry. If you think you might go to the pool this summer – order NOW. This is for your protection.

Due to liability and other concerns, pool passes must be presented by residents to enter. Please do not leave passes at the lifeguard podium, but take them home with you after each visit. If you do not have pool passes, you will not be allowed to enter. Your cooperation is appreciated.

# New Pool Porch Roof

As the trustees inspected all of our facilities following the harsh winter, we discovered that repair work was necessary to the clubhouse pool porch roof. Our investigation of the situation showed substantial and costly repair work was necessary. After looking at options, it was decided that replacing the pool porch roof was a better alternative for not a lot more money. Construction was begun just a few weeks ago to put a brand new roof over this area and it is now complete.

While this was not anticipated work, the trustees maintain a comprehensive rolling budget plan that projects out our expenses and revenue for a minimum of 12 years. This allows us to make adjustments when there are unexpected situations, without putting the association in a financial bind. In fact, due to the economy, we were able to take advantage of reduced costs when we identified the work necessary to resolve our water problems with the pool porch roof.

As our pool opens for the summer, you probably won't notice a big difference, but the plastic panel roof has been replaced. All of the support posts, beams and rafters have been replaced as a result of this project. New drainage is in place so we will no longer have the waterfall under the pool porch roof as we have in the past. Bottom line is that our investment in the clubhouse facility has been protected and enhanced with this new roof.

# High Point Pool Experience

At High Point our goal is for every family to be able to enjoy our swimming pool facility without worrying about water safety or the interference of undesirable language or activity in the pool area. This is first and foremost, a recreational facility with the specific purpose of providing a fun and relaxing place to spend time with family, friends and neighbors.

We expect more people at the pool this summer, as families may opt to stay home rather than travel. More people may be at the pool because seasonal jobs are not available this summer. With the growing number of job losses, more residents may be on furlough or unemployed and spend more time at the pool. All of this means people must respect others at the pool.

Lifeguards are employed through Metropolitan Pools to ensure swimmer safety. In addition, the trustees ask them to enforce the pool rules designed to protect everyone and ensure a pleasant atmosphere. When it is necessary, lifeguards are empowered to require residents and guests to follow rules published in the newsletter and any that may be posted at the pool. This especially refers to health and safety concerns. SWIM DIAPERS must be worn at all times by younger swimmers. Health precautions should include preventing germs from travel by covering your sneezes and coughs. Our bathrooms are all stocked with soap for washing hands and we will have new hand sanitizer dispensers available at each of the four light poles around the pool.

Obviously bringing sick children to the pool for Toddler Swim or during regular swim hours is not appropriate. Baby sitters should understand they are responsible for making prudent decisions about bringing children who are not feeling well to the pool or the playground area.

In recent years the television and music industry have unfortunately changed the landscape of what is acceptable and appropriate in language and activity. High Point is a family facility and frequented by residents with young children. Profanity in any form, harassment in any form and suggestive activity is not appropriate and will result in immediate expulsion. Our lifeguards are asked to provide enforcement in this area and the trustees have directed a low tolerance for this unacceptable behavior. Situations requiring lifeguard response are referred to the trustees for final disciplinary action. If you need further interpretation or explanation regarding what is or what may not be appropriate, contact any member of the trustees for clarification.

Our bottom line is that we ask each and every resident to respect other people. It is that simple and if everyone does just that, we will all have a relaxing, enjoyable and fun summer.

# Lifeguards are not Babysitters

Metropolitan Pool Service provides our lifeguards under contract. They are present for one thing and that is to ensure the safety of our swimmers. Metropolitan Pools attended a number of safety conferences during the winter months and the number one topic of discussion was the lack of parental responsibility for supervising their own children in the water. Parents assume lifeguards are present so they don't have to watch their children. Nothing could be further from the truth. Lifeguards are there to promote safety and help in the event of an aquatic emergency, not to watch children instead of parents. It is impossible to prevent every emergency, but the lack of parental responsibility has contributed to the increase of incidents in recent years. Trustees are concerned about this situation and have agreed that signs will be posted at our pool indicating that parents must watch their children and must be in the water with non-swimmers at all times (and be within arms reach of non-swimmers). Our primary goal is a safe pool for all residents.

While it has not yet been mandated by the State of Ohio, many states now prohibit the use of inflatable arm floatation devices (known as "arm floaties") and instead require that swimmers use "only Coast Guard approved floatation

devices" in the water. This summer High Point lifeguards will allow the use of only <u>Coast Guard approved</u> floatation devices. Please prepare accordingly.

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### Pool Opens Saturday, May 23

Our pool opens Saturday, May 23 at noon for Memorial Day weekend. All High Point residents must have a pool pass for each family member to enter the pool facility. Lifeguards are required to collect passes and enforce this policy at all times. *Please read the rules and information in this newsletter with family members*, even if you already know the pool rules from previous years. We look forward to a safe summer. Use of High Point Pool Pass by residents constitutes full acceptance of ALL RULES published in this newsletter or posted by association trustees.

High Point is a private facility open only to residents, their family members and guests. Adults, teenagers and children must all share the pool. Metropolitan Pool Services will again provide our lifeguard staff, under contract to the association. These certified lifeguards are charged by the association trustees with the responsibility to provide a safe experience for all swimmers and an environment where all family members feel safe and comfortable participating together.

### Fore! Somewhere Else

Our neighbor Southwest General Health Center allows our residents to use the hills for sledding in the winter and invites activities such as kite flying, playing catch and such. We are fortunate to have such an open area accessible to our development. This is a great benefit to our association.

Association trustees remind residents that hitting golf balls in this area is prohibited. Some golfers hit balls from the top of the mound towards the hospital facility, which is a dangerous and possibly hazardous situation. Others were hit along the flat lower area. This poses a risk to the employees at the hospital and patients using the medical facility.

This notification of High Point residents will serve to warn all individuals that hitting golf balls on the SWGHC property is prohibited at all times. Trustees are hopeful that those who want to practice hitting golf balls will go to an appropriate driving range or other golf facility. If this continues, the hospital will be forced to post "No Trespassing" signs and prohibit any use.

# **Tennis court Update**

Residents will need a key to use the tennis court facilities. We continue to lock the courts to prevent damage. You will need the same key that has been used for many, many years. Our lock remains in place to protect the courts from vandals. If you have a key marked with a stamped "TC" from previous years, it is the same key. If you never received a key, are a new resident, you can call the Homeowner Hotline to request a key, but beware – if you have ordered a key before, we keep a list. One resident volunteered to help the trustees look at alternative solutions to repair the court surface. Trustees are hoping to have a plan to repair the surface for the summer of 2010.

# **Speeders Beware**

Association trustees have requested special attention by the Strongsville Police, with the warmer weather, to address speeding problems in our development. Expect targeted enforcement.

### Next Newsletter in the Fall

Association trustees will send the next newsletter in the fall. You can always access our internet site for news and information. *Try it, you'll like it!* www.hpohio.com

### High Point Website Available

Remember that you can always check for up-to-date information on our association by going on line to our website. This information on the internet is your fastest connection to your development.

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### 2008 Pool Rules for Everyone

Pool passes are collected at the podium by lifeguards. Under the authority of association trustees, lifeguards are authorized to refuse entry to anyone without valid passes. Pool passes are returned by lifeguards when residents leave the pool. Your patience and cooperation are appreciated as you enter and leave the pool facility, especially at break periods, when it is very busy.

ALL DECISIONS BY METROPOLITAN POOL LIFEGUARDS ARE FINAL. Questions/comments regarding Metropolitan Pool lifeguards or pool rules should be directed to association trustees. Please respect the authority of the lifeguards and follow their directions while you are in the pool area. Your cooperation is appreciated. We have retained this professional firm to manage our daily operations due to the complexities and importance of this facility. Safety is our number one priority. Only Coast Guard approved floatation devices will be allowed to be used at High Point pool.

Pool passes are issued to individual family members who reside in the High Point home. Names and addresses should be written in ink on each pass. Ages are determined as of September 1, 2009. *Issuance of Adult passes may require verification of age by the trustees.* 

ADULT PASS - Issued to persons 16 years and older. Age as of 09-01-2009

TEEN PASS - Issued to persons 12 through 15 years of age.

CHILD PASS - 11 years and younger, MUST be accompanied by ADULT.

NO running or horseplay is allowed in the pool or deck area to ensure the safety of everyone at the pool. Behavior or actions that, in the judgment of lifeguards, breaks pool rules or endangers the safety of swimmers will result in the following disciplinary measures: (except as otherwise noted)

1st situation - Lifeguard will give a warning to swimmer.

2nd situation - Individual will be required to sit on deck at lifeguard chair for 15 minutes.

3rd situation - Individual will be sent home without pass and not be allowed to return until a meeting is held with the parent and Metropolitan Pool Manager.

**Rest Break -** All swimmers (except adults and infants) are required to take a rest break each hour while at the pool. This means young swimmers must *completely* exit the main pool and zero-entry. Breaks are scheduled the last 15 minutes of each hour. Infants (two and under) are allowed in the water only with adults during the break. There is no rest break the last hour at the end of the day.

**Private Parties -** Residents may rent the clubhouse for private parties that may begin as early as 5:00 pm and must share the pool until 10:00 pm. **All private party guests using the pool must wear provided wristbands for identification.** Private parties must end by midnight and there is an option offered again this year for non-pool summer rentals for showers, anniversaries and birthdays. See additional details and club house rental information elsewhere in this newsletter.

**Extra Day -** Our pool will **open Wednesday, June 10**, the last day of school, from 4:00 pm to 10:00 pm. Beginning on June 11, the pool is open daily from noon to 10:00 pm.

Any use of profanity, vulgar, sexually or racially offensive language - witnessed by a lifeguard or reported to a lifeguard by an adult - will result in immediate ejection from the pool for the rest of the day and possible review by the trustees. Verbal or physical abuse of a lifeguard or reckless endangerment of other swimmers will result in immediate ejection from the pool and prohibited re-entry until the matter is reviewed by the trustees. Lifeguards have been directed by the trustees to request assistance from the Strongsville Police when any situation might threaten or compromise the safety of the lifeguard staff, residents or swimmers.

Based on prior year success, a **Family Guest Pass** is available to residents who consent to the use of this pass by teenage family members. High Point teenagers may bring up to two guests 12

to 15 years of age. Parents, who are required to authorize this use, are responsible for the conduct of the teenagers and their guests. (Trustees reserve the right to revoke this privilege if warranted.)

All valuables, especially purses and wallets, should be left at home. High Point is not responsible for money or valuables lost in the pool or clubhouse area. *continued...* 

### Pool Rules continued . . .

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Lifeguards have first-aid kits for accidents and injuries. Please report ALL accidents and injuries to lifeguards to ensure proper medical treatment and trustee attention to dangerous conditions. To prevent injuries, FLIPS INTO THE POOL ARE **PROHIBITED**. Diving is in the deep end only.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES are NOT permitted in the pool or the deck area during normal pool hours when the facility is open to residents. SMOKING is **NOT** permitted within the clubhouse, deck or pool area. A designated smoking area is available outside the clubhouse entrance.

A Guest Pass is issued to each resident family with 30 uses. These are to bring relatives or friends. Each person equals one use. As cards are used, holes are punched to mark uses. (Four guests would be four punches.) Additional Guest Passes can be requested. Adult Guest Passes may be used by adults only. A special Family Guest Pass, with parental consent, may be used by teenagers to admit two guests age 12-15. *High Point residents must be present at all times with invited guests.* Please read special notice in this newsletter regarding UNAUTHORIZED parties for birthday, graduation, sport teams, etc. using the guest pass instead of clubhouse rental.

Glass containers or bottles are NOT permitted in the pool area at ANY time. Food and beverages may be brought to the pool, but only on the grass areas. Paper and cans should be thrown in trash containers provided in the deck area. Please pick up your own litter when you are leaving.

Deck chairs and lounges are intended for adults, unless pool is not crowded. Radios and CD players must have earphones. Swimmers must wear swim suits. No Cutoffs or shorts permitted.

Swimmer safety is the primary concern of lifeguards, who are responsible for deciding what toys or objects are allowed in the pool. LIFEGUARDS WILL MAKE THAT DETERMINATION BASED ON THE NUMBER OF SWIMMERS AND POOL CONDITIONS to protect the safety of everyone using the pool. Rafts, inner-tubes, rings, wings and other floats are NOT permitted at any time. Noodles are allowed. Squirt guns and other water shooting toys or Soak-A-Sauras noodles are NOT permitted. Only Splash Bombs or similar balls may be thrown. Objects such as tennis or foam balls that absorb water and become heavy, may NOT be used at any time.

In case of thunder or threatening weather, the lifeguards have complete authority to clear the pool immediately. If the storm passes and weather conditions improve, the pool will reopen 30 minutes after the last thunder. After prolonged storm conditions, the pool will reopen if there is more than 3 hours left in the day. You may call the club house lifeguard station **(440-638-4305)** to check on the pool status. When the temperature is below 60 degrees or in bad weather, the pool will be closed.

Lost Pool Passes can be replaced by trustees. Lifeguards have forms at the podium. Leave the form with the lifeguards. Replacement passes will be available at the podium on Saturdays.

ATTENTION TODDLER PARENTS: In recent years we have had incidents of bacterial release from toddler diapers. Even though there are new and improved designs are on the market, NO diaper works unless parents monitor their youngsters. There is no excuse for a parent who does not accept this responsibility. Metropolitan is prepared to respond in the event of a bacterial release in the pool. At no time is there any danger or risk from exposure to residents, thanks to the regular chlorine level of our water. Should there be an accidental bacterial release, lifeguards will evaluate the situation and make a decision on how to respond. If necessary, the pool may be closed for a period while additional chlorine is added to the water. Should additional steps be necessary, Metropolitan will make the decision in concert with the trustees, observing all required health standards to protect resident safety.

There is a dedicated swim time for toddlers from 10:00 am to noon, *Monday through Friday*. This is for toddlers only (defined as youngsters six years and under) in the zero-entry section of the pool while swim team is practicing in the main pool. Parents must accompany children. Pool passes are required and only High Point residents are permitted (sorry, no guests). A lifeguard will be on duty in the zero-entry during this time. Toddler Swim will be June 11 through August 21.

High Point's pool temperature is a constant 80 degrees. Nice and warm.

# **Bumper Crop of Dandelions**

With spring now arrived, for sale signs and dandelions are popping up all over our development. You may have noticed the real estate market has been depressed for some time and there are many homes for sale in High Point – and everywhere else. It may seem like some homes have been on the market for a while, and you would be right. Just in recent weeks the trustees have seen a number of homes in our development sell, which is a positive sign for everyone.

We know from years of experience and hearing it first-hand from those looking to buy a home in our community, curb appeal and first impressions can be the winning ticket or the kiss of death. There are no second chances. Some problems may be overlooked at first by potential buyers – lamp post that is not lit, shrubs that are overgrown, rusted light fixtures on the outside of the house, junk filling the garage, outside trim and walls that need paint, siding that needs repair, even a deck that needs work. But the number one thing a potential buyer sees is the lawn.

If yellow dandelions decorate your green lawn, rest assured it gives a negative impression to potential home buyers. Even worse than the house for sale having weeds, is a yard full of dandelions next door or across the street. Thanks to the many lawn care products out there, this problem has an easy, quick and inexpensive solution available for everyone. And it makes a big difference. A huge positive impression is made by homes that have green lawns without weeds.

You may have noticed that most of the owners of homes in our development take care of their lawns. When weeds go to seed, it becomes a problem for neighbors. While the economy is an obstacle for many families, it should not stop residents from having a healthy lawn. If you don't have a fertilizer spreader, our bet is that a neighbor not only has one, but would be very willing to let you borrow it or might share some of their weed and feed and put it on your lawn.

Obviously taking care of a home is much more than just weeding the lawn. We encourage every resident to look at their own home with the same scrutiny that might be applied to a neighbor's home and see how your home measures up. If you don't have the time or talent to do the repairs yourself, there are lots of good contractor deals to be had in this recession.

And speaking of time, residents in our development spend a lot of time walking. You see people day and night (couples, singles and owners with pets) out walking all the time. Have you noticed how many sidewalks have problems? We want to remind all homeowners that no matter how good your liability insurance is, you are at risk if your sidewalk is crumbling, heaving or washing out and creating a side trough where people can fall and get hurt. Some people in recent years have repaired or replaced their sidewalks, but there are others that need repair or replacement.

High Point is becoming an older development, but looking your age (whether a person or a house) doesn't have to happen if you take care of the essentials. Your trustees are making sure association facilities are regularly maintained and in top condition to keep them fresh and first-rate. We hope residents will consider what is necessary to keep your individual property in good shape because it is easier to maintain than to rehabilitate. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **Swim Lessons Offered This Summer**

Swim lessons will be offered this summer at our pool under the skilled instruction of Metropolitan Pool Service certified lifeguards. Flyers will be available with class information at the pool during normal open hours. Cost is \$40 per session. There will be two sessions of swim lesson classes: June 22 – July 2 and July 13 -24. These are 30 minute classes offered from noon to 1:00 pm Monday-Friday. Information is available at www.metropools.com or by calling 216-741-9451.

# Homeowner Hotline 440-638-4304

Our Homeowner Hotline is available when you need to report problems or concerns around the association, place club house reservations or contact an association trustee. Call 440-638-4304 day or night and leave a message. Calls are checked regularly and returned within a few days.

# © Easter Egg Scramble Eggciting ©

Over 3,000 brightly colored Easter eggs were scooped up in a matter of minutes by hundreds of youngsters in three age groups. Our weather was wonderful and the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Easter Egg Scramble in the record books. Many thanks to Sandy & Tom Jeresko, Brian & Cindy Marcu, Rhonda & Ed Christian, Alison Knowles, Nancy Schneider, Carrie Brown, Anita Evans, Bob & Nancy Jirik and Pat & Don Beran who helped the trustees stuff all the eggs. Thank you!!

### **Homeowner Reminders**

**POOL GUEST PASS LIMITATIONS -** Guest passes may not be used to host unauthorized parties (group events such as graduation, birthday, sports team, etc. without rental reservations). *This puts a strain on safety considerations that must be our number one priority.* Unauthorized parties of more than 20 in the group compromise the safety of swimmers in the pool, especially on weekends and evenings. **Residents who want more than 20 guests for a party, MUST rent the club house.** (See rental information elsewhere in newsletter). Guest passes were designed to allow residents to bring relatives or friends to enjoy our facility. Unauthorized parties (evidenced by party supplies and equipment, an excessive number of guests, full meal service or setup, etc.) will be required to leave the pool immediately. Failure to observe this policy will result in a review by association trustees. *If you have questions about this policy, call a trustee for clarification.* 

**Vehicle Storage -** Many residents have campers, recreational vehicles, boats and trailers. These must be stored in your garage or away from your home, not in your driveway. Owners are required to observe the Covenants and Restrictions which prohibit storage in the driveway and use good judgment when doing summer vehicle or boat cleaning or vacation preparation at their home.

**Neighborhood Security -** During the summer vacation season, residents should be alert and watch neighbor's homes. If you have a home security system, the police require you have an automatic reset to prevent false alarms from sounding for hours.

# **About Fences in High Point**

Calls are received periodically about fences and sheds in High Point. These are **NOT** permitted in as they are prohibited by the Covenants and Restrictions. There are several constructed prior to 1990, when the developer had control and allowed them to be built. Association trustees have a fiduciary responsibility to uphold and enforce Covenants and Restrictions, a serious responsibility. Trustees do not search for violators, but they must investigate complaints when reported.

If you see a shed or fence, it is one that was permitted prior to 1990 by the developer or one being investigated or litigated by trustees. Civil litigation is a slow process in the court system, as well as time consuming and expensive. Residents ask about changing the C&R and the answer is that it requires a vote of 90% of the residents (572 of 635) to approve any change. Your trustees consider this to be an impossible task and must therefore enforce the C&R as they were written in 1976.

Article VI, Section 2 of the Covenants and Restrictions (amended in 1986) says in part, "... 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." This statement has been interpreted by the Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court to mean that fences and sheds in High Point are prohibited. Trustees are obliged to enforce this restriction in a uniform manner. Homeowners who violate Covenants and Restrictions, including the above, should expect the trustees to pursue the matter as necessary, including taking legal action against violations. We appreciate the cooperation of High Point residents in observing the requirements of the Covenants and Restrictions. Direct questions to any trustee.

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### \* \* Swim Team Schedule \* \*

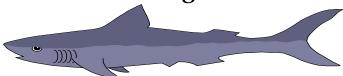
Our High Point Sharks Swim Team will soon practice for another summer in the Strongsville Swim League (SSL). Our association is proud to have so many swimmers and families participating in this excellent activity. Our Sharks will be working hard to compete in the swim league battle.

This is a competitive league, but each team works with swimmers to help them learn and develop. Winning is defined as giving the best effort, improving and having fun. Our swim team is open to all young residents who can swim the length of the pool and are under 18 years old as of June 1, 2009. Direct **last minute** calls about swim team to Rita Washko, team president (440-878-9187).

High Point is scheduled to close to host four evening home swim meets (<u>bold below</u>). On those days, High Point pool will close at 4:30 pm. High Point residents may use Deerfield Woods pool by presenting their High Point pool passes because Deerfield Woods swimmers participate on the High Point team. Deerfield Woods pool is on Ridgeline Court, off Saratoga.

Thursday, June 11	High Point hosts Waterford	6:00 pm
Tuesday, June 16	No Swim Meet	
Thursday, June 18	<b>High Point hosts Bent Tree/Spyglass</b>	6:00 pm
Tuesday, June 23	Ledgewood hosts High Point	6:00 pm
Thursday, June 25	Huntington hosts High Point	6:00 pm
Tuesday, June 30	High Point hosts Chandler	6:00 pm
Thursday, July 2	Deerfield hosts High Point	6:00 pm
Tuesday, July 7	High Point hosts Co-Moor	6:00 pm
Thursday, July 9	Westwood Farms hosts High Point	6:00 pm
Saturday, July 11	Championships at Strongsville Rec Com	plex

### Good Luck to our High Point Sharks !!!



### **Trustees Elected**

Congratulations to **David Knowles**, **Jack Schneider** and **Mark Skalak** who were re-elected this past January to two-year trustee terms (expiring in January of 2011) at the annual meeting. Please remember that family members are happy to take messages for trustees but are unable to answer questions about concerns or issues in the association. Thank you for your cooperation.

Bob Campobenedetto	18156 Rustic Hollow	238-3013
Ken Evans	18399 Yorktown Oval	572-3292
David Knowles	18435 Yorktown Oval	238-5769
Jack Schneider	18275 North Salem Row	238-8679
Mark Skalak	17716 Plymouth Row	238-5955

### 2009 Homeowner Dues Status

Association trustees thank homeowners who paid their 2009 dues on time. It makes the volunteer efforts of the trustees easier when this requirement is considered by residents. Some residents have not yet paid their dues and liens will be placed for non-payment within the next few weeks to protect the association. Be aware that pool passes are not distributed until dues are paid in full.

# **Erie Landscape Continues as Contractor**

Erie is a local Strongsville firm that has brought a fresh, professional expertise to the needs of our development. During their first year they made significant improvements in our landscaping and the difference is noticeable. If you observe problem areas, call 440-638-4304 to let us know.

### Club House Rentals

As a homeowner, you may rent our clubhouse to host private parties. With heavy rental activity this summer, there are few dates available for parties. Consult our website to look at up-to-the-minute availability. When you want to reserve a particular date, call the High Point Homeowner Hotline, **440-638-4304**, and leave a message. Your call about a rental will be returned within a few days.

**NON-POOL RENTALS** - \$125 (anniversaries, retirements, baby or wedding showers, etc.). Non-pool rentals can be booked at the clubhouse for any afternoon or evening.

**POOL RENTALS** - \$125 weekend or weeknight pool party rentals that end no later than 10:00 pm. Events can begin as early as 5:00 pm. and share the pool the entire time.

<u>DELUXE POOL RENTALS</u> - \$250 that includes lifeguards, may be booked for Friday, Saturday or Sunday evenings. Weekend rentals may start as early as 5:00 p.m., but must share the pool with residents during homeowner hours. When the pool closes at 10:00 p.m., parties have the pool to themselves until midnight. Weekend rentals MUST end at midnight with cleanup done by 1:00 am.

Private Party guests using the pool must wear provided wristbands to identify themselves as party guests and must follow all pool rules and safety requirements. (Non-pool rentals do not need wristbands.) ALL private party guests must obey lifeguard instructions. Resident hosts must be present at all times and are responsible for guests. Fire code capacity is 120 people. Residents renting clubhouse must be present at all times and are responsible for guest conduct.

A refundable security deposit of \$300 (two checks – one for \$50 and one for \$250) is required and returned if no damage is done to the clubhouse. Residents who rent the club house are responsible for cleaning the facility when they are done, REMOVING ALL trash and debris, taking down decorations and tape, vacuuming the floor, and putting tables and chairs away. Dates are now being reserved for 2009. Check the calendar and reserve your choice now.

### Wooded & Common Areas

High Point is fortunate to have many acres of wooded greenbelt. Common areas are for the benefit of all residents. Wooded sections are maintained in a natural state. Dangerous or hazardous conditions, such as partially fallen trees and large dead trees that could potentially cause damage to nearby homes, are addressed by tree service professionals. Residents are prohibited from disposing of landscape debris in common areas. Responsible residents will be charged to remove the debris. Homeowners are NOT permitted to clear greenbelt areas or cut down trees. Such activity should be reported to trustees via the Homeowner Hotline. Weapons may not be discharged in the city, including common areas. Paintball guns and BB guns are illegal and violators are subject to arrest. Forts and other structures may not be built in the common areas.

### Planning to Add or Renovate?

High Point residents are governed by Covenants and Restrictions. If you plan to remodel or add to your home this summer, it is necessary to contact the homeowner 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 available in this newsletter, on our website or by calling the Homeowner Hotline at 440-638-4304.

#### **RETENTION LAKE SAFETY**

Residents are reminded that the two lakes within the development are NOT intended for fishing, swimming, boating or other recreational activity. These bodies of water are for the purpose of detaining runoff water from the development and surrounding areas. Parents should not allow children in the area because the lakes have steep banks and the water can have debris and contaminants. Lifesaving equipment is not provided at either lake. Our lakes are treated by a professional firm on a regular basis to prevent algae buildup and other chemical problems. Signs are posted prohibiting trespassing and violators will be prosecuted.

### \* \* 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 Boad (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

Resident Name (please print)				Date		
Property Address		Sublot #				
Home Phone (	)	Day Phone (	)			
Description of work	to be performed:					
Proposed finish & c	olors:					
Include plans, dra	wings, sketches or blue pri		-			
		ner signature				
DO NOT WRITE BELO	W THIS LINE					
Date Received	Decision Date	ACTION: Approve	e[]	Reject [ ]	Qualify [ ]	
Trustees.					hv	