

Ashley Oaks Newsletter



Website: www.ashleyoakshoa.org

October, 2017

Board of Trustees:

President: Nick Stepanovich
Secretary/Treasurer: Larry Munshower
Trustee: Ron Dillon

Vice President: Butch Skrbin
Trustee: Tony Famiano

2018 Annual Meeting:

The date for the 2018 Annual Membership Meeting has been set for Tuesday, January 2, 2018 at 7:00 PM at the Strongsville Library. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend the meeting. Two new Board members will be elected at that meeting.

Nominations for election to the Board are needed. Please consider placing yourself or one of your neighbors who agrees to run in nomination. The term is for two years and responsibilities consist primarily of attending four meetings per year, usually lasting less than two hours. The Association maintains common grounds including the playground, detention basins and entrance ways. Nomination information is attached to this newsletter. Please review it and send in a nomination so all Board positions can be filled.

Annual Meeting Proxies:

The Association's Documents require that an Annual Meeting must be held and that at least 50% of the membership appear at the Annual Meeting either in person or by proxy for the meeting to be valid. If the 50% quorum is not met, the meeting must be adjourned and rescheduled; Association business cannot be conducted unless a quorum is achieved. A proxy form is attached. Please sign and send in this form in the enclosed return envelope whether you plan to attend the meeting or not. If you do attend the meeting in person, you may waive the proxy at the meeting and do all voting in person.

Landscaping:

Pin Oak trees on several tree lawns have been identified as dead or dying by the city Arborist. The City will remove dead or dying trees from tree lawns at no cost to the resident. The City will plant a new Pin Oak on any resident's tree lawn for a fee of \$100. If you wish to avail yourself of these services, please contact the city directly.

The Association's landscaping budget was strained this year because of the damage caused by the late season snowfall and windstorm. Plantings are now 17 years old and are showing signs of age. Many areas, particularly the entrance ways, are in need of refurbishing. A project plan for 2018 will be developed over the winter.

The Association continues to monitor the health of the ash trees on common property and is removing those that die. However, please be advised that it is residents' responsibility to care for ash trees planted on their private property.

Volunteer Needed:

A volunteer with a steady hand is needed to paint the engravings in the two entrance signs in the spring of 2018. The signs are now four years old and the lettering has faded. If you would like to undertake this project, please contact any of the trustees or send a note to the Association via the web site.

Maintenance Issues:

Fall is upon us and now is the time to prepare for winter:

- Rake leaves and have them ready for pickup by the city
- Clear gutters
- Apply fall fertilizer and weed and grub control
- Stock up on ice control products

Association Trustee Nomination

Two association trustees' terms expire in 2017. There is an immediate need for two residents to volunteer their time for the next two-year term. If you are interested in getting involved in the actions and directions of your community, please submit your name for inclusion on the ballot

Nominations should be submitted before November 15, 2017 so ballots can be distributed. If fewer than two nominations are received by November 15, 2017, nominations will be held open until the Annual Meeting.

To submit your name for consideration, please contact any current member of the board, send this form to Ashley Oaks HOA, P.O. Box 360293, Strongsville, OH 44136, or send a note via the Association's web site: www.ashleyoakshoa.org.

NOMINATION FOR TRUSTEE*

I nominate _____

for election as a trustee to the Ashley Oaks Board of Trustees.

Signed _____

Date _____

*Please contact your nominee to verify that he or she will accept the position if elected.

You may nominate yourself.

**Ashley Oaks Homeowners' Association
P.O. Box 360293
Strongsville, OH 44136**

2018 ANNUAL MEETING PROXY

The Declarations require 50% of the members be present at the Annual Meeting in person or by proxy. If you will not be able to attend or are unsure of your ability to attend the Meeting, please sign the proxy below and return to either existing board member or mail to the PO Box above:

I hereby appoint _____ (if not designated, such person to be designated by the Board) with power of substitution for me and in my name, place and stead, to vote as my proxy at Annual Meetings from 2018 through 2022 or until I revoke this Proxy in writing, or unless I attend such Annual Meeting, according to the number of votes I am entitled to cast if I were personally present. I hereby expressly authorize my proxy to use his/her best judgment in exercising my vote to the full extent and with all powers which I would possess if personally present, without restriction. I also revoke all Annual Meeting Proxies I have heretofore executed.

I certify that I/we are record owner(s) of a fee or undivided fee interest in the noted address. (If co-owned, both owners should sign. If only one signs, he/she states that he/she represents the entire vote of the Living Unit.)

Signature of Owner(s)

Date

Print Owner Name

Address

**Please return to the above address or to one of the
current board members before the Annual Meeting on
January 2, 2018**