

## Holiday Celebration for High Point

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**Sunday, December 18 at 2:00 pm**

High Point residents with young children and grandchildren are invited to join in the Holiday Fun as we celebrate the season. Our traditional Holiday Celebration will feature that jolly old guy in the red suit. Santa Claus will be at High Point to greet his friends at the High Point club house on **Sunday, December 18**. Our family entertainment will begin promptly at 2:00 pm. We usually have a big crowd and so we encourage families to arrive on time. To fully appreciate the entertainment, space on the floor is available up front for younger children to sit and be up close to the show.

Santa will arrive soon after we start and there will be cookies and punch. Children will be able to select from many wonderful balloon creations and animals to take home. (Reservations are not necessary to attend.) **Mark your calendar now!!!!** This event takes place no matter what the weather, so please plan to join us at the High Point clubhouse on Sunday, December 18. (This event is only open to High Point residents and their children or grandchildren.)

*If your child or grandchild needs to see Santa to communicate last minute requests or updates, put this party on your calendar. Avoid long lines at the mall and visit the real Santa here at High Point.*

Photos with Santa will be provided to all children attending (or bring your camera). A parent must accompany any child who attends (*this event is designed for children 10 years old and younger*).

ì ì **Annual Meeting January 19** í í

Association trustees announce the annual association meeting will be **Thursday, January 19** at 8:00 pm at the clubhouse. In addition to the election of trustees, there will be information about projects in the association. All residents are invited to attend. A Welcome to High Point for new residents will take place prior to the meeting at 7:30 pm. No reservations are necessary to attend.

## Association Dues Required in January

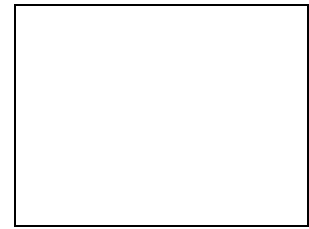
High Point dues for 2012 will again remain at \$330 per residential lot. These are due January 1st. Invoices will be sent to each homeowner at the end of the year. Dues payments received after January 31 will be assessed late fees. Please note that 2012 Pool Passes will be ordered at the same time as dues are collected. A Pool Pass Registration form will be sent with the dues and be on the website to download. **We appreciate residents who pay their dues on time.**

## New Website Tab Available

Our website is [www.hpohio.com](http://www.hpohio.com) and features many categories of information. A new tab is now available titled "GOVERNANCE and ADMINISTRATION". On this tab you will find Annual Meeting minutes, trustee meeting agendas and Association Financial Reports. Happy reading!

â Look inside for info-Asian Exercise for Life class á

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FIRST CLASS

## HIGH POINT NEWSLETTER

[www.hpohio.com](http://www.hpohio.com)

### Next Newsletter in January

Our last newsletter came out in May and our next newsletter is early January. With our website, we publish only three newsletters a year. Invoices for association dues for 2012 (your annual \$330.00 assessment) will be sent to homeowners at the end of December. Both the 2012 Dues Invoice and 2012 Pool Pass Registration Form can also be found under the "Forms" tab at [www.hpohio.com](http://www.hpohio.com).

### *2012 Clubhouse Rentals Booking Fast*

If you look at the up-to-date 2012 rental calendar on our website for Clubhouse rentals, you will find many dates already rented. If you have a graduation, anniversary, shower, wedding reception or other event you are planning, we suggest you reserve your date as early as possible to get your choice. Check the website and call the Homeowner Hotline (440-638-4304) to make your reservation.

Summer rentals using the pool *until midnight* (private use from 10:00 pm to midnight) are available for **\$250** for the summer of 2012. Clubhouse rentals (with or without pool use) where the party ends at 10:00 pm are still \$125. A security deposit of \$300 (two checks for \$50 & \$250) is required. Signups are done in small groups at the clubhouse and checks for the rental are submitted at that time.

### **Snow, Snow, Snow**

Soon the snow season will be upon us. Here are two important reminders. **DO** shovel your sidewalks so students who walk to the bus and residents who walk can get where they need to go. Our city does require sidewalks be cleared within 24 hours of a snowfall. **DON'T** push snow from your driveway into the street. This is dangerous for drivers and creates problems for plow drivers. Thanks.

Happy Holidays & Best Wishes for the New Year from Association Trustees!!!

## THANKS FOR STREET REPAIRS

This past summer and fall, our development received substantial street repair and replacement. We extend our thanks and appreciation to Mayor Tom Perciak and Ward 2 Councilman Ray Haseley for their assistance. We are fortunate to have the support of all members of City Council that have budgeted for community-wide street repair and improvement efforts throughout Strongsville.

As a direct result of that work this summer and fall, many of our streets have a No Salt sign posted for city plow crews. New concrete cannot be salted during the first winter, so many of our streets (including Saratoga) will not see salt being applied. This means drivers will have to slow down and use caution during the winter months when roads can be slippery and ice can require longer stopping distances. Please exercise caution and watch out for kids when traveling in the development.

### ASSOCIATION TRUSTEES

Bob Campobenedetto	18156 Rustic Hollow	440-238-3013
Ken Evans	18399 Yorktown Oval	440-572-3292
David Knowles	18435 Yorktown Oval	440-238-5769
Jack Schneider	18275 N. Salem Row	440-238-8679
Mark Skalak	17716 Plymouth Row	440-238-5955

Please remember that family members will take messages, but are not always able to answer homeowner questions or respond to concerns. Calls will be returned as soon as possible by trustees.

## Financial Review Completed for 2010

Jurcago & Company, a local CPA firm, did our review. This report, detailing safe and sound business practices, can be found on our website under the Governance & Administration tab. Although not an audit, the review addresses four major items: 1) reconcile cash on deposit as of 12/31/2010; 2) test dues and rental income as reported; 3) review disbursements for proper payment and classification as reported on statements; and 4) check financial statements as of 12/31/2010. Questions can be directed to Bob Campobenedetto (238-3013) or Ken Evans (572-3292).

## Asian Exercise for Life Offered

A group of High Point residents have initiated an exercise class at the High Point clubhouse open to members of the association. Beginning November 15 on TUESDAY evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m., there will be an **Asian Exercise for Life**. A qualified instructor will guide participants in the class.

What is different about Eastern exercise? Any form of exercise will provide good aerobic and anaerobic (strength building) development. Oriental health practitioners have employed the scientific method of observation, hypothesis, and refinement to find the fastest, safest, most effective ways of improving the Body, Mind and Spirit. Methods can be combined and tailored to any body type or condition, regardless of age. These practices can increase your Chi (life, vitality, energy).

Moving the body in very specific ways causes muscle tissue to rub against internal pressure points, redirecting circulation and stimulating the body's own healing ability to balance chronic conditions or nagging injuries. By moving limbs in a non-linear fashion, in different directions simultaneously, the brain is making new neuromuscular connections to the body. Not just a practice that develops mental and physical agility, these exercises can increase productivity while reducing stress. For those that participate and desire a more vigorous non-contact workout, a higher level will be offered as well.

What you need to know – This exercise class is offered to adult association residents, including seniors. Bring an exercise mat or beach towel. Wear comfortable and loose fitting clothing (exercise outfit is fine, but not required). Cost will be \$15 maximum per person, per week (cash or check). If more than 16 people participate, the cost per person will be reduced. There is no contract, no membership fee and no minimum attendance requirement. ***If you think you might be interested, come try it for FREE. Your first class is offered without charge to see what this is about.***

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## Swim Passes Ordered with 2012 Dues Payments

Attention residents! Pool pass registration forms for next summer will be distributed with the Dues Invoices. **Pool Pass Registration forms for 2012 MUST BE RETURNED WITH YOUR DUES PAYMENT BY JANUARY 31.** We will not have spring pick up times or fill orders during the summer. Most homeowner associations handle pool passes with a similar advanced registration procedure. 2012 Passes will be mailed first-class to residents the first week in May. (We will supply the postage and label – no self-addressed, stamped envelope is necessary.) Thank you for your cooperation.

**IF YOU EVEN THINK YOU MIGHT WANT TO USE THE POOL IN 2012**, then you should order pool passes with your dues payment. You have already paid for these in your dues. We know there are many homes for sale in the development, and in the event your home is for sale and sells before or early in the summer, new residents will have the opportunity to get pool passes at that time.

**AGAIN IN 2012 – If you do not order pool passes before April 1, 2012, you will pay a \$10.00 late order fee (which the trustees will donate to the High Point Swim Team) to get your passes. As trustees, our time is valuable and when pool pass orders are filled during the spring, it is done at times that are convenient for board members. After April 1, everyone wants their passes right away and the element of convenience is no longer available. Please order your 2012 pool passes with your dues payment and you will be ready for next summer.**

## A Big Thanks to Residents

Our High Point Swim Team, the Sharks, would like to extend a special thank you to local businesses and individuals that helped support them this past summer. As always, the team enjoyed a fantastic season of learning and competing in the Strongsville Swim League. We thank our coaches for their hard work. **Association trustees would like to extend our thanks to resident Rita Washko who has served as president of the High Point Sharks for many years.** We appreciate the hard work and extra time Rita spends pulling things together for youngsters in our development.

This past summer resident **Angie Warmuth** and her family ran the pool snack shop and offered a great variety of items for families that visited the pool. We appreciate them providing this service.

## Winter Reminders

Our two retention lakes are NOT for activities, including ice skating. These **lakes do not freeze** and are dangerous. **Sledding** can be done on the hills at Southwest General Health Center on Pearl Rd, but please do not cut through yards to get to the hills. Is your front yard **post light** on? Light is the best crime deterrent, especially during the holidays when we sometimes have unwanted guests.

## Trustee Positions Available

Two trustee positions expire in January. There are five trustees, each elected for a two-year term. David Knowles, Jack Schneider and Mark Skalak were elected in January of 2011 to a new two-year term. Bob Campobenedetto and Ken Evans are completing their current two-year term. Interested candidates should call David Knowles (238-5769) or Mark Skalak (238-5955) before December 22. A January newsletter will include a trustee ballot. It is anticipated the two current trustees whose term expires will be candidates for re-election. High Point, like other businesses, is governed by a board that makes financial and operational decisions regarding corporate day-to-day activities. This requires a significant commitment of time throughout the year on the part of those who serve on the board.

## It's a Dog-Gone Shame

Year after year, residents complain about people who walk their dogs and don't clean up after their pets. 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. Please cooperate.