



## Newsletter

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# Holiday Celebration for High Point



## **SANTA ARRIVES**



Sunday, December 16 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 a festive Father Christmas (aka Santa Claus) who will be at High Point to greet his friends at the High Point club house on **Sunday, December 16**. Our family magic entertainment will begin promptly at 2:00 pm. We expect 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 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 16. (This event is only open to High Point residents and their children or grandchildren.) Activities conclude by 4:00 p.m.

*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 at the event. A parent must accompany any child who attends (*This event is intended for children 10 years old and younger*). Join us!!



## **Annual Meeting January 17**



Association trustees announce the annual association meeting will be **Thursday, January 17** at 8:00 pm at the clubhouse. In addition to the election of trustees, there will be information about projects in the association. **Matt Schonhut, our Ward 2 Councilperson**, will attend the meeting and will offer thoughts on the city. Our meetings are short and to the point. A time is available for residents to ask questions. 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.*

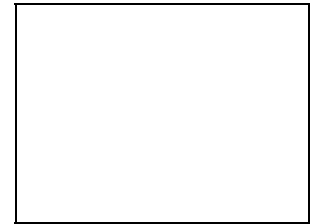
## **Association Dues Required in January**

High Point dues for 2013 will again remain at \$330 per residential lot (same since 2004). 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 2013 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.***

**3 Trustee positions available in January election**

**➔ Look inside for info-Asian Exercise for Life class ←**

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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 2013 (your annual \$330.00 assessment) will be sent to homeowners at the end of December. Both the 2013 Dues Invoice and 2013 Pool Pass Registration Form can also be found under the "Forms" tab at [www.hpohio.com](http://www.hpohio.com).

### *2013 Clubhouse Rentals Booking Fast*

If you look at the up-to-date 2013 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 2013. Clubhouse rentals (with or without pool use) where the party ends at 10:00 pm are still \$125. A security deposit of \$500 (two checks for \$100 & \$400) is required. Signups are done in small groups at the clubhouse and checks for the rental are submitted at that time.

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

Snow season is 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 city snowplow drivers. Thanks.

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



## THANKS TO P.J. WARNER

This past summer one of our residents stepped forward to initiate a JULY FOURTH PARADE for kids in High Point. A large group came out to celebrate the holiday and participate in the Parade that was led by the Strongsville Police. Based on that success, PJ Warner has already planned for a July Fourth Parade next summer. Watch for details!

If that was not enough, she and a group of neighbors also organized an Outdoor Movie Night for residents. Despite the weather postponing the date, a big group came out to see “The Lorax” under the stars on the basketball court. It was a great event. Many thanks to PJ Warner for providing the leadership and energy to make these events happen!

## Looking for Information – Try Our Website

Whether you are looking for an association map to give to relatives, clubhouse rental availability, old newsletters, frequently asked questions, association financials, board meeting information, dues and pool pass forms, architectural review forms, a history of our capital improvements, photos of our many amenities and much, much more, you can find it all on our association website. Online 24/7, this resource is updated regularly for your convenience. Go to [www.hpohio.com](http://www.hpohio.com) and check us out. **You may have noticed “NEWS FLASH” signs periodically posted.** These signs direct you to our website tab for NEWS, where you will find important breaking stories in the “News Flash” box.

### HIGH POINT TRUSTEES

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

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.

## ◆ ◆ Asian Exercise for Life Continues ◆ ◆

A group of High Point residents initiated an exercise class last year at the High Point clubhouse open to association residents. Classes are TUESDAY evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. An **Asian Exercise for Life** qualified instructor will guide participants in the class. First session is free to new attendees.

What is different about Eastern exercise? 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 neuromuscular connections to the body. These exercises can increase productivity while reducing stress. A more vigorous non-contact workout, a higher level is 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.***



## Swim Passes Ordered with 2013 Dues Payments

Attention residents! Pool pass registration forms for next summer will be distributed with the Dues Invoices. **Pool Pass Registration forms for 2013 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. 2013 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 2013**, 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 2013 – If you do not order pool passes before April 1, 2013, 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 2013 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

Three trustee positions expire in January. There are five trustees, each elected for a two-year term. Bob Campobenedetto and Ken Evans were elected in January of 2012 to a new two-year term. Mark Skalak, Jack Schneider and David Knowles are completing their current two-year term. Interested candidates should call Bob Campobenedetto (238-3013) or Ken Evans (572-3292) before December 22. A January newsletter will include a trustee ballot. Our three 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.