The Shores Homeowners’ Association

2015 Annual Meeting
Saturday, November 7, 2015
East Meeting Room
9:00 AM ~ Orange Township Hall
1680 East Orange Road
Lewis Center, OH 43035

All Shores residents are encouraged to attend.

Annual Dues
Invoices for the 2016 Annual Dues will be mailed by January 1st, 2016. The dues pay for maintenance, utilities and operating expenses. Please pay by January 31st to avoid late fees. Keep an eye out for your dues invoice!

See page 3 for more information on a new dues payment option the board is considering for 2016.

Committee Volunteers Needed
Did you know that The Shores Homeowners Association has eleven (11) neighborhood committees?

Architectural Review Committee
Block Watch Committee
Garage Sale
Landscape and Maintenance
Legal & Association Rules
Social Committee
Membership & Directory
Newsletter
Sign Committee
Web Page
Welcoming Committee

With that many committees to get involved in there is sure

The 2015 annual meeting agenda and the budget are available online at www.theshoreshoa.org under the Documents tab.

Proxy Vote
If you are unable to attend the annual meeting, but want your voice heard, please send in a proxy appointment. The signed proxy needs to be received by the board prior to the annual meeting date, which is November 1st 2015. The proxy is available online at www.theshoreshoa.org under the Annual Dues/Meeting tab.

Board Volunteers Needed
There will be two (2) board positions elected for The Shores HOA this year. Position term is for 2016-2107. Please consider serving your community and making a difference.

Dedicated volunteers help make The Shores a wonderful neighborhood to live in and with one of the lowest annual dues around.
Important Things to Know Deed Restrictions in The Shores

With all of the new families who have joined our neighborhood a reminder about deeds and restrictions is always helpful.

For all individual questions please see the HOA website and look under deeds and restrictions. There is a wonderful interactive map that shows each homes’ specific deeds and restrictions. Because our neighborhood was built in multiple phases that is the best way to know your home’s correct information. When in doubt please contact the board and they will be happy to answer any questions or clarifications you need!

Below are some examples of rules to remember.

- Boats, trailers, commercial vehicles, campers or mobile homes have restrictions on how long they can be parked in your driveway.
- All new decks or additions must be presented to the architectural review committee for approval.
- All fencing must be split rail unless it surrounds a pool in which case ornamental wrought iron is the only other option.
- Please do not dump or rake leaves and or grass into any ravines or creeks. Rumpke picks up lawn waste.
- All swing sets must be of wooden construction.
- Garbage cans should not be visible from the street.
- No more than 2 dogs and 2 cats are permitted per property.
- When walking pets please be respectful of others property and pick up. waste.
- Parking is allowed only on certain sides of the street. Please be aware of this for yourself, your guests, and anyone who might be servicing your home.

Decks, patios, additions, tree removal and a variety of other items must be approved by the HOA. The application to use can be found on The Shores web site under the Architectural Review link on the top left of the page.

Board Positions Available

This year there will be two board positions open. Please consider volunteering your time or talents. Having volunteers ensures that our neighborhood is run smoothly and that we don’t need to engage a management company. This in turn makes it so that our dues are maintained at a similar level to what they are now.

Positions on the board are as follows:
- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Member at Large

Elections will be held at the annual meeting with positions to be determined by the board at their first meeting. If you are interested in being on the board but cannot make the meeting please contact the current board to get them your information!
Welcome these New Homeowners to the Neighborhood!

We would like to welcome all those who have moved into the neighborhood since the first of the year! Current neighbors please introduce yourselves to your new neighbors!

- Brian Simpkins
- Stefanie & Brian Shomock
- Bryce Henkle & Emma Janzen
- Elizabeth & Jeremy Johnston
- Angela & Steven Griffin
- Barrett & Thomas Ault
- Stephanie & Anthony Della Rocco
- Alexandria & Luke Albertson
- Lindsey Vasbinder & Tison Bolen
- Sian & James Magee
- Tara & David Billiter
- Susan & Brad Roy
- Zhou Jingjing & Yong Hon
- Lisa & Timothy Schirmer
- Abigail & Jason Smith

This list is current as of 10/08. We hope we have listed everyone. Our apologies if somehow we have missed anyone.

Neighborhood Watch: Safety Tips

Here are some helpful tips to remember!

- Close and lock your doors and windows. Don’t leave garages and doors open to crime. Re-check that your garage doors are closed at night.
- Park inside your garage whenever possible. If you have to park outside, take your valuables (and anything that looks like it might be valuable) inside. Lock your vehicles. Take your garage door opener in with you.
- Make sure your house looks occupied. If you’re away, stop mail & newspapers or have someone pick them up. Alert neighbors so they can keep a watchful eye on your house. Use lights and radios on timers.
- Turn on your lights. Motion-sensor lights can conserve energy and discourage crime.
- Report suspicious activity.

The Shores Neighborhood Facebook Page

Did you know the The Shores neighborhood has a Facebook group to help neighbors keep in touch? Join https://www.facebook.com/groups/TheShoresofLewisCenter to post about lost or found pets, news of interest to neighbors, and any other information that will help us get to know our neighbors and stay connected. To date over 120 neighbors have joined the group. Don’t delay - Join Today !!!!!

New Option for Dues Payment for 2016 Being Considered by Board

The Shores board is looking into the possibility of offering a new option for paying associations dues. The board is in the preliminary stages of researching options available using Paypal online payment services.

If the board does decide to move forward with the Paypal online payment service it will include detailed information on the process in the dues notice mailing. This option will make dues collection easier for both homeowners and the board.

Need a New Mailbox?

Is your mailbox falling apart? Our neighborhood mailbox supplier is Cedar Craft. Their website is www.cedar-craft.com. The Shores uses version A, which is the Duffy Style 6x6 set. The price quoted is for the mailbox post, mailbox and installation.

You can also find helpful links on The Shores website www.theshoreshoa.org under Area Links.
DST Time Change: Mark your calendar. We “fall back” on Sunday, November 1st. Remember to turn your clocks back (1) hour and change your smoke detector batteries too.

Election Day
Tuesday, November 3rd, 2015
Shores residents are in the Orange F Precinct which votes at Berlin Presbyterian Church located at 5175 S. Old State.

Holiday Happenings
Beggar Night is Oct 29th from 6-8pm. Please use extra caution when going through the neighborhood!

The Holiday Lighting Contest will be held again this year. Be sure to check our website www.theshoreshoa.org for updated information as December approaches.

Have you Signed Up for The Shores Homeowners Assn. Listserv Yet?
The goal of this list serve is to keep the homeowners' of The Shores informed of the following regarding our community:

- News
- Events
- Crime Alerts
- Community Updates
- Annual Meeting
- Monthly Social Newsletter

Your privacy is very important to us. Emails are not shared and you can unsubscribe at any time. The Shores list serve provider is Mail Chimp. Sign Up by clicking on the “Notify Me” link on the association web page.

Bookmark our website: www.theshoreshoa.org for all the latest information and happenings at The Shores.