

Fall 2013 in Horsemen's Run

Can you believe it is already Fall?? Football has started and is beginning to fill the air; evenings are getting a little cooler; and the leaves will be changing soon. Fall is also when we start looking towards the election of next year's Board of Director member elections for your Horsemen's Run Community Association Inc.

Remember we live in a Covenant protected community. It is most likely one of the reasons you purchased your home here. Restrictive covenants are normally drafted and put in place by the original developer, and give a community a more standard appearance because they control some of the activities that take place within its boundaries. When enforced, covenants protect property values. It is your elected Board's responsibility to protect every homeowner's investment; be good stewards of your mandatory Association dues; and provide for the common welfare of all.

The Board's major duties include: preparing and managing an annual budget of close to \$65,000 dollars; collecting annual assessments; overseeing the enforcement of the Covenants and Rules; overseeing all vendors, including lawn companies for the maintenance of our common areas, pool and tennis court maintenance, accountants, attorneys, etc; payment of utilities, such as water and electric; overseeing committees, such as our Architectural Review Committee; overseeing and approving Homeowner modification requests; maintaining adequate insurance for the association; overseeing the payment of state, federal, and property taxes; maintaining our state nonprofit corporate status; and running the annual homeowner meeting. This list is not all-inclusive, but gives a good feel for the job of a Board member.

We are all partners and stakeholders in this effort. If all dues are collected each year our Association can live within its budget by making adjustments as necessary. We also greatly benefit from having many homeowners serve in voluntary capacities such as Committee Chair's and Block Captains. The more volunteers we have the less work effort is placed on the back of any one resident.

There are 4 positions to fill, President, Vice-President, Treasurer, and Secretary. These positions, per our covenants, are a 1-year commitment and the elected Board chooses when, where, and how often they need to meet, usually once a month at a Board members house. Each year these positions come open to our community for anyone interested to "run for".

Simply put, we are asking for your involvement in our community and seek homeowner's interested in placing their names on the ballot for the 2014 Board. If you are interested in running for one of the positions or would like more information, we ask you contact one of the current Board members. Please let us know before September 30, 2013. The election for new Board members will be conducted via mail in October.

Your current Board thanks each of you for your time; your consideration; and your efforts to keep our community one of the best in Fayette County.

Sincerely

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