

HARRISON PARK NEWSLETTER

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President's Message

Greetings to all Harrison Park residents. As my current term as President of the Harrison Park Homeowners Association is drawing to a close, I wanted to take the opportunity to thank the Board for the phenomenal job each has done to provide support and to share their ideas and vision for the neighborhood. Please take time to reach out to your block representative and Secretary/Treasurer John Loftus, to personally thank them for their efforts. As you know, all are volunteers and freely donate their time and energy in support of our neighborhood. My job was easier thanks to the hard work of these neighbors.

Your HOA board has been active in the past twelve months. A few highlights were as follows:

- Strengthened the financial position of the Association through diligent collection of assessments and stewardship over expenditures.
- Maintained the entryway in conjunction with our neighbor, Anthony Vespa, who worked very hard to ensure that we had beautiful plantings and landscaping all through the growing season.
- Restarted the program for welcoming new neighbors with a small gift and information on the neighborhood. This program had lapsed for several years during the pandemic.

On Saturday, March 2nd, we will be having the Annual Meeting. This will be held at the Gardner Township Hall on Bradfordton Road at 2:00 p.m. Please plan to attend, as this meeting provides an opportunity to share and discuss issues directly related to our subdivision. The entire meeting should last about one hour and hopefully, we will have a strong attendance.

At this meeting, we will have Ward 9 Alderman Donelan and Lutheran High School Board President Perkins each making a short presentation. We will also be accepting nominations for all positions on the Board, including President and Secretary/Treasurer, as well as block representatives. Please consider serving in one of these roles. While some of the current slate of board members may decide to run again for their position, I expect others will decide to step down and make room for other neighbors to serve. We will need at least one nominee for each position on the board and if there is more than one, the members of the block will vote for individual block representatives and the entire membership will vote for the positions of President and Secretary/Treasurer.

The Association historically charges a nominal amount of dues to each household to cover entryway expenses and other administrative costs related to our operations.

Financial records are available every year at the annual meeting in March and also can be provided upon request at other points in the year. Please note that the Board has voted to lower the dues from \$75 to \$45 because of the aforementioned improvement in the financial health of the Association. An invoice for the dues will be sent to each household in the next several weeks and will include payment instructions.

In closing, I have enjoyed meeting many of you over the past year in the course of my term as President. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve and hope that we will have new faces and fresh perspectives on the Board as we move forward after the Annual Meeting.

Thank you for reading my message.

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Subdivision Garage Sale

We will again offer a Spring subdivision-wide garage sale. The dates for this event are Friday, April 19 from 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, April 20, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Signs will be placed at the entryways to announce the sale and all residents are encouraged to participate if you wish to have a garage sale at your home.