

The FOREST HILLS News/Feb. 2019

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Hello Residents.

It is the start of a new year and with a new year comes new projects for our Association. We are pleased to announce that we are moving ahead with renovations on Westchester Pool. Please read my letter on the back of this newsletter for more detailed information.

Many houses have been sold in our Association in the last year so if you are new to our Association WELCOME! We always welcome all of our residents to get involved by attending monthly board meetings. We hope you can join us!

Manny Sisamis FHPOA President



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SCHEDULED BOARD MEETINGS ALL ARE WELCOME!

Feb. 19 March 19 April 16 May 21

*All meetings will be held at the **Brunswick Library** in the **Olive Meyer Room** from **6:30-8 pm** unless otherwise specified.

Upcoming 2019 Association Projects

Westchester Pool:

- Contractor awarded total renovation project
- •Rebuild pool shell
- •Install double drains per new code
- •Replace all underground piping
- Replace all skimmers
- Apply long lasting Diamond Brite coat
- Expand pool deck
- Install new fencing
- •Install new LED lights
- •Replace broken sidewalks

Skyview Pool:

- Drain and power-wash entire inside of pool
- •Fix leaks at skimmers
- Apply new epoxy paint
- Repair heater
- •Install new three phase electrical panel

Entrance ways:

- •Install new plants
- Mulch all beds
- •Remove old trees and plant new as needed

Association Information

- ▶2019 Association Dues Invoice is included with this newsletter as well as the 2019 Budget. As explained in the letter on page 2 of this newsletter, dues have been increased slightly. Late fees will stay the same. Due date of March 15th will also remain the same. If you owe any back dues those will be included in your invoice.
- ► Residents can **pay dues by check or online via a free bank transfer**. If you need your invoice emailed out in order to pay online please contact us at FHPOA44212@gmail.com.
- ► The BOARD will be taking bids for **2019 landscaping and mulching in April!** If interested please contact Matt Tomecko @ 216-854-0413/matt42osu@gmail.com

Dear Residents of Forest Hills,

I want to take this opportunity to inform all of you of exciting new changes that are coming to our neighborhood. As most of you know, our development owns several entrance ways, acres of common land, tennis courts and two large pools. All of these amenities are available for our residents and their guests to enjoy every summer.

Unfortunately, due to the age of our development, which is over 40 years old, many of our structures have needed to be majorly updated, repaired or simply replaced. Over the last six years, I along with the dedicated members of the Board have undertaken numerous upgrades, repairs and purchases. This includes painting projects, landscaping, and clean-ups as well as major renovations such as the Skyview pool driveway installation, pool house roof, pool pump replacement and remodeling of bathrooms at both Westchester and Skyview Pools. Every year our Board sets new goals for renovations. Throughout these past six years we have worked diligently to operate within the budget, while tackling these projects, in order to refrain from raising yearly dues for our residents. To this point we have been successful in accomplishing this goal by changing the project bidding system, focusing closely on pricing, pursuing outstanding dues and volunteering countless hours for the betterment of all.

The Board, along with all of you, were disappointed that Westchester Pool was not able to open this past summer. It has been a frustrating situation for all of us- and please know, your voices and concerns have been heard. In the past we have attempted numerous "Band-Aid" type repairs to Westchester Pool but these are no longer an option due to 40 plus years of wear and tear. The Board attempted to curtail the cost of the renovations by tackling Westchester Pool in the most cost-effective way. However, last spring it became painfully apparent that the shell walls of the pool were completely eroded away and were not going to hold any longer. Unfortunately we realized that this meant a larger and much more expensive project was our only option. After numerous interviews, bids and re-assessments of the project at hand we were finally able to secure a licensed, bonded and well referred pool contractor that will spearhead this project. We believe that if all goes according to plan (weather, permits, inspections, etc.) the Westchester pool should be ready for operation by an opening date of June 15th, 2019.

All of this being said, considering our aging infrastructure, needed major repairs and inflation the Board has been forced to raise the dues \$20.00 per year for all homes, condos and apartments in order to properly respond to the needs of the development. Although other developments, similar to ours in age, size and amenities, pay nearly double what we do in dues, we want to assure our residents that this vote was not taken lightly.

Thank you for your continued support,

Emanuel Sisamis FHPOA President



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