

Oak Creek East Homeowners' Association

FALL 2023 NEWSLETTER

Oak Creek East HOA

PO Box 395 Lewis Center, OH 43035

www.oakcreekeast.com



Meet & Greet your Neighbors!

Let's have a mixer in our Common Property Area

When: Saturday, Oct 28 from 1 – 3pm

Where: OCE Common Property Area (behind Aurora & Gainer)

Why: Chance to mingle with your neighbors

Please bring a snack to share & lawn chairs.

The Board members have been working on your behalf...

1. Did you notice the street sign poles were painted this summer?
Thanks to some HOA volunteers the cost was only for materials.
2. A 50% premium cost savings was achieved by shopping our HOA insurance coverage.
3. Landscaping rhythms have been a challenge (as we had to switch vendors mid-season). The new flower beds have added an extra layer of vigilance unlike before.

4. Windstorms have caused tree damage that has required unplanned clean up expenses for HOA common area trees.
5. Gaining some cost savings in the budget, we are now seeking fence repair estimates from a few vendors.
6. We compiled a complete resident contact list & audited the annual dues records.
7. We included an email authorization form with this newsletter to allow us to communicate electronically & efficiently and minimize additional postage costs.



UPCOMING EVENTS

OCE Meet & Greet
Sat, 10/28 from 1 – 3pm

Trick-or-Treat
Tues, 10/31 from 6 – 8 pm

Annual Meeting
Tues, 4/9/24 from 6 – 8 pm

Trustees/Officers

Steve Aleshire
Trustee, President

Keegan McMindles
Trustee, Vice President

Karen Godsey
Trustee, Secretary/Treasurer



What's Next

As always, the Board remains interested in your input for making our community better. The Board meets, on average, every month. There are several big items on the agenda for the next few months:

1. **We need you!** We have open spots on our board and would love to have more involvement.
2. We will be creating the 2024 **budget** & including reserves as mandated by SB61.
3. The **lighting** for the Coldharbor monument appears to have a short. We will be seeking estimates to fix it.

4. We are currently accepting **landscaping** bids for next year. If you know anyone interested, please let us know via our site:
<https://oakcreekeast.com/contact.html>

5. We are hoping to get the **fence** repaired but may not be able to paint until the weather allows.

The best way to give feedback or suggestions to the Board is to submit through the Contact Us feature on the website
<https://oakcreekeast.com/contact.html>.

10 REASONS TO VOLUNTEER TO SERVE ON THE BOARD



1. Protect the property value and maintain or even improve the quality of life in your community.
2. Suggest improvements with landscaping/maintenance.
3. Be sociable. Meet your neighbors, make friends, and exchange opinions.
4. Give back. Repay a little of what has been done for you.
5. Advance your career. Build your personal resume by including your community volunteer service. Network with other professionals.
6. Have some fun. Association work isn't drudgery. It's fun accomplishing good things with the neighbors.
7. Get educated. Learn how it's done – we will train you.
8. Express yourself. Help with creative projects like community beautification.
9. Earn recognition. If you would like a little attention or validation, your contributions will be recognized and celebrated.
10. Try some altruism (unselfish concern for the welfare of others.) Improve your association by helping others.

PROPERTY CARE

All shrubs, trees, grass and plantings of every kind shall be kept, well maintained, properly cultivated and free of trash and other unsightly material.

CONTAINERS

All garbage, trash and other waste shall be placed in containers which shall be concealed and contained within buildings or shall be concealed by means of a screening wall of material similar to and compatible with that of the building on the Lot or shall be concealed by sufficient landscaping to provide a permanent screen at all times of the year. (Per the deed restrictions)

SNOW

When there is **snow**: Residents are responsible for clearing their driveway, the sidewalk in front of their home, and their mailbox. (Per Orange Township)

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ELECTRONIC MAIL NOTIFICATION CONSENT FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-MAIL Address: _____

Cell phone: _____

I am the owner of the property above and, I authorize the Board of Directors of the Oak Creek East Homeowners Association to send me all notices required by the Oak Creek East Homeowners Association Declaration and Bylaws by and to the electronic mail address listed above. This authorization remains valid unless and until I revoke the authorization in writing or I am no longer the owner of the property listed above, whichever occurs first.

Signature: _____

Print: _____

Date: _____

This signed form can be submitted via 2 different ways:

- 1. Sign and mail to Oak Creek East HOA @ PO Box 395 Lewis Center OH 43035 OR
- 2. Sign, scan and email to oakcreekehoa@gmail.com