



HAWTHORN EMAIL UPDATE

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Annual Dues Payment Due

The annual Homeowners Dues invoices have been sent out to each resident of Hawthorn of Aurora. If you have not received your invoice, please contact Erica Vallen of Kare Condo via phone at 330-688-4900 or via email at evallen@karecondo.com. Or you can download a duplicate copy on the Hawthorn of Aurora website, www.hawthornofaurora.com. Click on the link for Homeowners Association. Links for the 2017 Invoices and 2016 Results/ 2017 Budget are about 1/3 of the way down the page. Phase 4 residents: please make sure to download a Phase 4 invoice. If you need the username and/ or password, please send an email to Cathy Conroy at cathy@conroy.com and the information will be sent to you securely.

As stated on the invoice:

- Dues cover the period from 3/1/2017 through 2/28/2018
- The trustees are again allowing two payments, although we appreciate full payment if you can do so. This minimizes reminders, payment processing, etc.
- Payments should be sent to Kare Condo, as noted on the invoice.
- Questions should be addressed to KareCondo, as noted on the invoice
- As noted on your invoice, some payment is due by March 15. The trustees appreciate you making full payment, if you can. However, if you choose to make two payments, the second payment is due by July 15. It is your responsibility to remember the second payment. A second invoice will NOT be sent. Late fees will be assessed per our covenants and restrictions.



Needed: Volunteer(s) for Garage Sale



We are looking for volunteers to coordinate the Hawthorn Neighborhood Garage Sale this year. It is usually in May, on a Thursday, Friday and Saturday. However, the date selection is entirely up to those who volunteer to coordinate the event. If you are interested in helping with this event, please contact Cathy Conroy at cathy@conroy.com. Thank you to Michelle Schenker, Sandi Falloon and Amy Lynch, who coordinated the annual neighborhood garage sale last year.

Planned Community Improvements for 2017

Look for continued improvements in our community amenities during 2017. As noted in the letter that was attached to your annual invoice, the 2017 Budget includes plans for the following improvement projects:

- Pool Center area
 - Improve the bathrooms in the pool area (flooring, countertops, painting)
 - Replace broken table tops
 - Install emergency phone outside of pool building
- Recreation Center area
 - Install surveillance cameras and signage for the recreation center area
 - Purchase and install concrete corn hole games in the recreation center area
 - Perform recommended annual maintenance on tennis courts
 - Add a second dumpster near the pavilion for the summer months
- Lake area:
 - Purchase materials to construct and install 8 new boat slips for rental to residents
- Landscaping
 - Install new landscaping beds as part of Phase 2 of the improvements around the retention pond at Plum Creek and Joseph Drive
 - Work with City of Aurora to add more trees to Plum Creek Drive
 - Perform needed repairs to the intake pipe for the Plum Creek Pond
- Other
 - Begin a multi-year project to replace all street signs within the development. New signs will be compliant with federal regulations and be approved by City of Aurora.

Thank You!!



Thank you to the committee that planned and hosted the Hawthorn Holiday Party. It was held in early December and was well attended and all had a great time. The committee consisted of: Amy Dolzine, Becky Hernandez, Laura Hilditch, Dawn McLendon, Jen Smith, Ericka Wolford and Nancy Farrow. Thank You to all!

Thank you to the swim team for assisting with the management of our pool. They work with Jim Barto to increase the communications and feedback with Metropolitan Pools, the company that manages our pool. We look forward to continued contributions in this area. Wendy Wilk and Laura Duguay have been the key swim team representatives serving on the Pool Committee.



Thank You to John Milner and his many volunteers for coordinating the installation and removal of the boat docks every summer season. John is also working to construct and install eight (8) new docks this coming summer. That will allow many on the wait list to have a boat slip this coming summer.

Thank you to those that serve on our Welcome Committee. These ladies order and deliver Welcome Baskets to all new residents. Our Welcome Committee consists of Amy Barto and Nancy Farrow-Guzik.



Thank you to the Aurora Lake Water Ski Club for installing and removing the buoys from the lake each summer season. The buoys help notify boaters of no wake areas and danger areas and help keep our lake safe.

Welcome New Neighbors

920 Sweet Grass Sadegh and Debbie Radvar
670 Morgan Trail Robert Jr. and Stacie Riffert
770 Valley View Jerold T. Van Dyke



Please Drive Carefully

With spring around the corner, please be mindful that children are going to be outside playing, bike riding, etc. This is a reminder to all residents, especially those with younger teenage drivers. Please watch your speed in the neighborhood. The speed limit on all streets in our development is 25MPH. Hawthorn has many young children and we want to keep our streets safe.

Hawthorn 2017-2018 Directory

The 2017-2018 Hawthorn Neighborhood Directories have been printed and distributed. If you have not received yours, send an email to Cathy Conroy at cathy@conroy.com and we will try to figure out why you have not received your copy. Once you receive the new insert, please remove the old pages from your binder and replace them with the 2017-2018 version.

Thank you to the following persons for distributing the new directories: Dawn Pritts, Karie Stefano, Christa Carr, Angela Rapko, Christy Tartabini, Eileen Chmielewski, Cheryl McGovern, Jennifer Overocker Smith, Jennifer Gallman, Michele Cohn, Jennifer Klich, Carla Valley, Karen Aldredge, Kim Henderson, Shari Baechle and Kay Kindice.



Can We Keep Our Pool Open After School Starts?

Every fall there are questions raised, regarding keeping our pool open after the children return to school in August. The trustees have discussed this with Metropolitan Pools.

The #1 issue is that they do not have enough staff to provide lifeguards after school starts. While staff availability does change from year to year, most high schools and colleges resume school in mid to late August. The lifeguard availability is further limited by fall sports beginning in that same timeframe.

Metropolitan has informed us that if we have any adult residents that are interested in becoming certified lifeguards, they will provide training and/ or they can seek training through the American Red Cross. Any interested persons should contact Metropolitan Pools at their office (216)741-9451 and ask to speak with Erin or Kelsey for information regarding training classes.

The bottom line is that, it is highly unlikely that we would be able to keep our pool open after school starts, unless we can provide our own lifeguards for our pool. If you are interested, please contact Metropolitan Pools and also let one of the trustees know of your interest. We will do our best to work with Metropolitan Pools and any interested resident.

Kayak Spaces Available

We have a few spots remaining on the kayak racks at the boat dock area, for this coming summer. If you are interested, please contact Cathy Conroy at cathy@conroy.com. Spaces are \$25 for the season. This is in addition to \$10 for an ALA sticker for your kayak, which is required for all watercraft on our private lake.



Hawthorn Clubhouse Bookings

As our neighborhood has grown, so has interest and demand for renting the clubhouse and reserving the pavilion. If you are interested in renting or reserving our facilities, you can do so via our website, www.hawthornofaurora.com. Click on the link to the left for Clubhouse/ Pavilion Reservation System.

When making a reservation, we are asking everyone to please make sure to reserve the entire time you need access to the facility. This includes any setup/ decorating time or clean up time after the event. You will only have the facility reserved for the hours that you selected, when making your reservation. Otherwise, it is considered available for other rentals and/ or cleaning from a prior event and/ or for the next event. Use of the facility outside of the hours reserved may result in increase in rental fees. We thank everyone, in advance, for their cooperation on this matter.

Public Hearing Notice

Residents of Hawthorn of Aurora that live near Sycamore Drive and Route 43 have received the notice of public hearing from the Aurora Planning Commission. This is related to a request by the Aurora Animal Care Center to allow a veterinary clinic and boarding kennel.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

As the owner of property within 750 feet of Route 43 and Sycamore Drive, you are hereby notified that the Planning Commission will hear a request from Aurora Animal Care Center Inc. for a Conditional Zoning Certificate per Sections 1153.02 and 1171.02 of the Aurora Codified Ordinances to allow a veterinary clinic and boarding kennel to be located in a PD Planned Development District.

The Public Hearing will be held on Wednesday, February 15, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Aurora City Hall, 130 South Chillicothe Road, Aurora, Ohio. An opportunity will be afforded to anyone from the public who wishes to comment.

Written statements will be accepted in the office of the Planning Commission's Clerk at 129 West Pioneer Trail, Aurora, Ohio 44202 or by mailing the statement to the same address. The application and other pertinent information is on file in the office of the Clerk and is available for review between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Questions should be directed to either the Planning Director or the Clerk at 330-562-9564.

By Order of the Aurora Planning Commission.

Residents with input on this issue can attend the public hearing on Wednesday February 15 or submit written statements to the Planning Commission's Clerk as noted in the notice to the left.

Anyone from the public will be afforded an opportunity to comment.

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Once you have "liked" our page, you will be able to post news, invites, photos and other information for other residents. We are hoping this can be a viable "community bulletin board" for people to post information for all other residents. Thank you to all who already "liked" our page.

For non-FB users, you will still get relevant emails (such as this one) that are forwarded to all residents. This is just another option to keep informed of things going on in our community.