

2015 Trojan Horse Annual Newsletter and Dues Notification

Happy New Year!

Welcome to our new property owners! Our active Property Owners' Association (POA) has the singular purpose of maintaining the roads in our neighborhood. Your dues pay for road maintenance and repairs. Trojan Horse is a private community and the state and county do not maintain our roads. The only source of funding for maintenance is YOU. If we maintain our roads, ALL property values will be positively affected.

Trojan Horse currently has 90 property owners, and 43 property owners are registered, permanent POA members.

Our POA officers are unpaid volunteers. We are always looking for members who are interested in participating as officers and who want to be involved with the Association. Just as maintenance and care of our community help our property values, so does an active and engaged POA.

Volunteer Officers

President:	Katherine Weaver	(336) 877-3427	katherine.weaver@thpoa.org
Vice President:	Charles Vitale	(954) 436-5319	charlie.vitale@thpoa.org
Secretary:	Denise Hurley	(704) 654-8042	denise.hurley@thpoa.org
Treasurer:	Scott Harris	(336) 846-1204	scott.harris@thpoa.org

To email ALL officers: officers@thpoa.org

Volunteer Road Committee Members

Jack Stevens	(336) 877-2179	jack.stevens@thpoa.org
David Hill	(336) 877-9194	david.hill@thpoa.org
Gary Weaver	(336) 877-3427	gary.weaver@thpoa.org

To email ALL Members: roads@thpoa.org

Membership

Membership is growing, and our goal is to have **all** property owners as members. Membership includes paying dues, and it also includes being involved in our community. Involvement may mean voicing your opinion about issues relating to our neighborhood, serving as a POA officer, participating in the neighborhood volunteer clean up, and attending the annual meeting and the Trojan Horse picnic.

The benefits of being a POA member are that members can vote on decisions that impact our neighborhood. Members can serve as officers and help maintain the stability and desirability of our neighborhood. It is only when we have 2/3 of property owners as permanent members that we can require ALL property owners to contribute to road maintenance.

To become a POA member, contact any officer to request a membership form. Copies of the Bylaws can be downloaded from the POA website at <http://thpoa.org>. Minutes of annual meetings can also be found on the website listed above.

DUES

Our current General Fund balance as of 12/31/14 was \$5,274.54.

You do not need to be a registered POA member to contribute, and contributing does not make you a member. Please read the dues schedule and return your payment for 2015 by May 1, 2015.

Snow Removal Fund

Our snow removal fund had a balance of \$2,954.91 as of 12/31/14, and we will continue to dedicate these funds solely to snow removal. Donations are always welcome.

Issues:

Currently the Bylaws state:

Article IV Section 7. Voting by Proxy. Votes may be cast either in person or by one or more agents authorized by a dated, written proxy executed by the member or his/her attorney-in fact and *properly notarized* (italics added). A proxy terminates one year after its date, unless it specifies a shorter term. Any form of proxy which is sufficient in law may be used...

Doug Ferrell has proposed that the requirement for a notary to validate the proxy be removed. It was seconded and voted on at the Special Meeting of August 16, 2014. Sixteen votes have been cast in favor. As a 2/3 majority of the membership is required to amend the Bylaws and we have 43 members, we need a total of 29 votes in favor to remove the requirement. If you are a member and will not be able to attend the Annual Meeting, you may vote by notarized proxy.

(A suitable proxy form may be found at <http://thpoa.org/proxythpoa.pdf>)

2015 Meetings

The 2015 **Annual POA Meeting** is scheduled for **Saturday, July 11th at 7:00 PM**. It will be at the home of Doug and Terri Ferrell at 428 Trojan Horse Circle. The **Annual POA Picnic** will be on **Saturday, August 16th at 5:30 PM**. It will be at the home of Jim and Sharon Ceratt at 194 Deer Trace Lane. The POA will provide hot dogs and hamburgers. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share, along with a beverage. The annual picnic is a great time to meet your neighbors, to share fellowship, stories, news, and eat great food. Bring a chair and plan to spend a fun afternoon with your neighbors. Please try to attend both events, if possible.