

A Message from your new President

Dear Homeowners and Residents,

I am very pleased to have been elected as your new president and want to thank you, our members, for electing me at our last annual meeting. I also want to thank Chris Christenson (now our vice-president) for the excellent job he did over the many years he held this office. I plan to bring some new ideas to the association that will lead to more local activities (rather than just one annual meeting) and hope to foster a new spirit of cooperation and friendship in our neighborhood.

The first thing you will notice is the unveiling of our new website at www.highlandmeadows.co. We hope to use the site to stay in touch between annual meetings and provide you with a platform where you will find information that is relevant to every homeowner and resident. The website is there for you, so please take a few minutes to look it over and see what you think. As it states on the home page, "...we encourage you to become active participants by e-mailing your comments, photographs and suggestions to us."

As you know, we held an election at our last annual meeting, but only for the offices of President and Vice-President. Sadly, there were no nominations for either Secretary or Treasurer, so the current officers are continuing their terms on the Board. However, both Cindy Jewell (Secretary) and Michelle Stuart (Treasurer) have been holding their offices well beyond the terms specified in our by-laws and both would welcome and appreciate the opportunity to hand their responsibilities over to other members. I have copied the descriptions of their respective duties directly from our by-laws and have posted them to the News & Notices page of the site so our members can see exactly what is needed and step up to volunteer for these positions. Please note that full time residency in Highland Meadows is not a prerequisite. If you are interested and want more information, please contact me directly.

Also on my agenda is the replacement of the current Highland Meadows sign at the bottom of the hill with a new sign that includes the new website address. (The old web address is still posted, but has been gone for nearly 10 years). This was approved and a preliminary budget authorized at the last annual meeting. We are also looking into creating a sign that includes a covered bulletin board area where residents can post notices or classifieds. Now that the weather is warming up and the website is online, I plan to make the sign my next priority. You can read more about this on the website in the Minutes of our 2014 Annual Meeting.

I hope to post more messages from time to time to keep you informed of the association's activities and will publish them on the News & Notices page of the website. So keep watching. With your help and participation, we can make this association an active part of our community and more responsive to the needs of those that live here. Talk to you soon!

Barrie Schwartz
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