



Howdy Neighbor!

I hope you have been holding up during the assault of cold weather during this month of February. I cannot wait until the winter is over and we can all enjoy the warmer weather together.

To refresh your memory, I would like to continue our discussion regarding our Homeowner Association:

The Articles of Incorporation of Village of Oak Park Homeowners Association state the Association is a (non-profit) corporation "formed...to provide for the maintenance, preservation and management of the land located in Village of Oak Park...and to promote the health, safety and welfare of the residents..."

Our Association is guided by three general documents: (1) the Articles of Incorporation of the VOPHOA, (2) the Bylaws of the VOPHOA, and (3) the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions for VOP. It is in these documents that we find the rules to guide the operation of the VOPHOA and to establish the conditions by which we all live and reside in our community.

Although every homeowner is by right a member of the Homeowner Association, it is only by following the documents listed above that a Member can be considered in 'good standing'. We will expand on this subject in the next newsletter.

In the meantime, please note that your Homeowner Association has been working very hard on your behalf. The Homeowner Association has been diligently paying all of the utility and landscaping bills. The VOPHOA has also initiated, supervised, and completed the full installation of the detention pond as required by municipal law. Additionally, the VOPHOA has led the way in properly maintaining the community by having the appropriate municipal agencies paint the lampposts, paint the fire hydrants and clean-out the community storm drains. These efforts are by no means simple, and the persons who have undertaken these management activities are not compensated in any way other than to know that they are helping their community. I hope you have the same appreciation that I do for the persons who have been overseeing the well-being of our community to date.

Tony Seaman
President, Village of Oak Park HOA