

SMPOA

Schuss Mountain Property Owners Association
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Dear Fellow Schuss Mountain Property Owners:

We would like to take this opportunity to bring you news from SMPOA as we invoice for the 2019 annual dues. Please routinely visit our website at www.smpoa.net for the latest information.

Dumpster Removal, Trash Pickup

A special mailing went out in February to all Schuss Mountain property owners, (SMPOA members and non-members) notifying them the dumpsters will be removed on May 1, 2019. (The letter and notice may be revisited on our website on the *Current Information* tab.) Updates for future trash pickup are as follows:

1. A “tote storage structure” is being designed for placement in our neighborhoods for: 1) those streets where garbage trucks cannot do curbside pickup and 2) for those weekenders who cannot put their garbage bags or totes out a couple of days before garbage day and not return for weeks or months. It is our objective these structures are uniform in design to achieve an esthetically pleasing appearance throughout Schuss Mountain. **Please provide us with your full cooperation in this regard.** It is our intent to have one vendor available for the construction of these structures.
2. A map of the streets will soon be posted to the website identifying those streets traveled by the garbage trucks and those streets which are not accessible. The map will also identify the location of “tote storage structures” to serve the streets where curbside service is not available.
3. Please follow the following process to add your address for curbside pickup: (If you currently have curbside trash pick-up, nothing is required of you.)
 - a) Please email the Custer Township Supervisor at: CusterSupervisor@hotmail.com
 - b) In the subject line list: **“please add me to weekly curbside pick-up”**
 - c) Then add your name, address, and contact info in the body of the request, the supervisor will then contact American Waste to add you to the list.
 - d) Supervisor Roxann Flake is also the contact person if there is a missed pickup as the new routes are added. Please be patient as they establish this new system.
4. Condo owners, please consult with your association leadership as many associations have secured small locked dumpsters to serve your use.
5. Be sure to adhere to the Custer Township guide for trash pickup which was included in the prior mailing and is also available on our website.

General News of Interest

This year property owner's weekend is May 3rd to May 5th. Please be sure to contact the Resort at 231-533-7090 or 231-533-3000 x4200 to book tee times.

The SMPOA annual meeting will be held on September 21, 2019, at 10:00 a.m. at Ivan's Restaurant.

Our Spring Brush Pickup/Chipping will be conducted June 10, 11, & 12 and again June 17, 18, & 19. You should plan to have your brush roadside by June 7, 2018. **Your dues must be paid by June 1st to have your debris removed. This is a member benefit. Please attach a sign to your brush pile with your last name and your four digit (letter and three numbers) lot number.** This will enable Northern Tree to verify your paid membership in the Association and your eligibility for brush pick-up. Signage is not required in the Boise de Golfe, Vienna Woods or North Schuss Village neighborhoods. Any failures to comply with the attached guidelines and/or posting of your lot number could result in your brush pile being by-passed. Again this year a member of our grounds committee will be assisting Northern Tree with the process of identifying paid members and addressing any questions or issues which may arise on the pickup dates. **Be sure to review the Brush Chipping Guidelines on our website for full details.**

We are always in need of property owners to serve on the Schuss Mountain Board of Directors, if you are interested, please contact our Administrator or any board member.

Please join your neighbors in making the Schuss Community a great place to live and play.

The current fee structure is as follows:

Private Road Homeowners:	\$364.00	
Homeowners:	\$264.00	Lot Owners: \$66.00
Condo Owners:	\$120.00	(condo owners supply their own lawn and snow maintenance)

At last year's annual meeting, a discussion occurred regarding the likelihood of a dues increase for 2020. Please reply with any comments, questions or suggestions on the subject to administrator@smpoa.net. The reasons for a dues increase are; 1) there has not been an across the board increase in many years 2) the cost of doing business rises each year and 3) our general membership has seen the major improvements at Schuss Mountain motivating membership to be a part of even more improvements to bring back the Kingdom of Schuss.

The SMPOA Board and your annual dues do the following for you... Serves as a liaison/communication with the Resort, MAWSA (water/plume), township (dumpsters), road commission and all other associations. The SMPOA President sits on the President's Council with the Resort and all other association Presidents at Shanty Creek. Reviews and negotiates contracts for snow removal and grass maintenance. Provides snow removal on all secondary roads and around fire hydrants; lawn mowing on all primary and secondary roads; planting of flowers; maintenance and lighting of Five Corners and sign post gardens; removal of limbs and trees on the right-of-ways throughout the year; annual brush pick-up/chipping; and repair/replacement of street signs; clean-up of the dumpster area. Administers the pool pass program for each family. Maintains the website and keeps membership up to date on current events and news of interest.

Heather Lambrecht continues her role as administrative assistant for the Association and has done so since 01/01/2018. Feel free to contact her at 231-533-3950, or administrator@smpoa.net if you have any questions and/or concerns. With her employment at the The Olds Professional Centre, LTD she is full time in an office in the Cortina Conference Center to conduct any SMPOA business.

Schuss Pool Update

The original pool project is complete as it was originally proposed. Plans to install windows in the outside wall facing the slopes are in the works; however, not until funding becomes available.

The pool will close on March 31, 2019 after the truck races and re-open when the Schuss Golf Course opens, for the summer and fall, through the golf season. In the future the pool opening and closing will be synchronized with the golf and ski seasons.

Sincerely,

Schuss Mountain Property Owners Association Board of Directors, Kerry Vandock, President.

Pool Pass Information

It has been the position of SMPOA to offer pool passes as a member benefit; we continue to maintain that position. Passes this year will go on sale as in past years for \$50.00 per pass, maintaining this as a member benefit. (MCC members are not eligible to purchase their pool passes from SMPOA as they are free with your MCC membership.)

The Resort has made the pools at Summit and Schuss, only accessible to those who have a valid pool pass. **ALL PAID SMPOA members (except Mountain Creek Club members) are entitled to one (1) pass per family at a cost of \$50.00. If you are a Mountain Creek Club Member, please acquire your pass from the front desk at the Lakeview Hotel. Pool passes are valid from April 1, 2019 - /March 31, 2020. Please use the form below to order your pool pass.**

Pool Pass/Request Form – please complete the form below and return it with a self-addressed stamped envelope along with your dues and payment of \$50.00 for the pool pass.

Name: _____

Schuss Mountain Address: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-Mail Address: _____