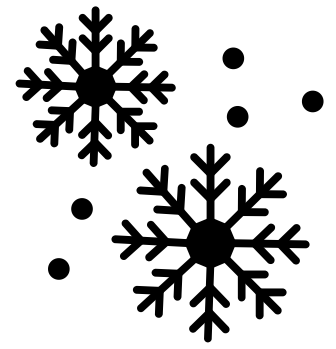


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# ASHTON VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

WHERE HERSHEY'S MILL BEGAN...



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Welcome to our first ever Ashton Village Newsletter! With this New Year 2024, we are looking forward to a great year here in Ashton Village. With three new members on council, to the launching of many new committees and the reviving of some old. For the first time, we are excited to initiate a newsletter for all the homeowners here in Ashton. The newsletter will serve as a communication tool as well as informational and fun! We welcome volunteers and contributors to join the newsletter committee. Do you have ideas to share? Would you like to send in an article or anecdote we may all find interesting or entertaining? Some "homeowner highlights" such as vacation photos? Send us your ideas. Let's make this a fun forum for the entire village.

Please contact Kathi Sullivan or Tarrissa Hockenberry with your ideas. Let's get you on a committee! Here's to a great year ahead and some exciting new changes for our Village.



### Seeking volunteers for Committees:

- Architectural/Maintenance/Engineering
- Ashton Woods Project
- Decorating
- Landscape
- Newsletter
- Social
- Welcome

*A warm welcome to our new neighbors:*

- #21 - Joseph & Marie Altieri
- #42 - Michael & Dolores Morell
- #63 - Thomas McCaney
- #104 - John & Patricia Mehok

### New Landscape Company:

We'd like to introduce our new landscaping company:



#### **DeStephano Landscaping**

So far they have done a good job with our snow removal and ice management. They will be doing storm clean-up and making sure our drains, swales, and berms are kept clear of tree debris. As the weather warms up, Council plans a walk-thru with them to make sure they are up to speed on our village landscaping needs.

*Meeting*

### **PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

Ashton Village HOA  
Open Meeting For All Homeowners  
Tuesday, March 5 at 6:00pm  
The Cove  
We look forward to seeing you all there!

**HOUSEHOLD TIPS**

**Drain Cleaner:**

*Did you know you can help keep your drains clear by adding an Enzyme drain cleaner to your regular home maintenance routine? There are several different liquid brands available. They are simple to use - just follow directions on the bottle, pour in your drain before you go to bed and they work all night to break down and liquify any organic matter gunking up your pipes. This has been recommended by every plumber I've had for years. If we all did this, it might help our old pipes stay cleaner longer. It won't solve infrastructure problems, but it will help clear clogs and slow drains. You can use it in your garbage disposal, sinks, shower drains, and even your toilets. I do mine at least once a month.*

**Is your toilet running?**

*Go catch it!*

*Seriously, if your toilet is running, get it fixed ASAP.*

*A running toilet can use anywhere from 30 to 500 gallons of water per day! It significantly raises our water bills and uses up \$\$ that could otherwise be used for other issues. Please check your toilets.*



**Pet Rules:**



- *Limit 2 pets per household.*
- *Dogs must be on leashes at all times.*
- *Pick up after your dog - bag and dispose in trash.*
- *Dog licenses are required.*
- *Dogs & cats must have rabies vaccinations.*
- *Walking of pets on golf course is prohibited.*



**Community News:**

- We hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season! It's time to put away your outdoor holiday decorations until next year!
- As part of our HOA requirements, we all need to have our dryer vents cleaned and fire-burning chimneys inspected every three years. If you have not already done so, please contact one of the local companies to schedule an appointment in your home.
- Security:
  1. Parking - please be considerate & courteous to our neighbors - do not block garages or paths.
  2. Speed Limit: 20 mph inside Ashton.



*Ladies Lunch!*

A new activity to add to your calendars. Our own Beth O'Connell has graciously spearheaded a Ladies Lunch group, scheduled for the last Friday of every month, weather permitting. Location to be announced each month. Please contact Beth to be added to the email group.

Beth's email is: [momoc01@comcast.net](mailto:momoc01@comcast.net)

(Have any ideas for the gents in the Village? How about a Men's Breakfast Club?)

**Ashton's 2024 Council Members:**

President - Kathi Sullivan (new)

Vice President - Michael O'Connell (new)

Secretary - Tarrissa Hockenberry (new)

Treasurer - Linda Force

Member at Large - Linda Green

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