

Remington Trails II

Next Meeting

The Board has scheduled both a Board Meeting and Annual Election on **Monday March 23, 2015 at 6:00 P.M.** in the Community Room, Police Dept. 741 Townline Rd, Round Lake, IL, for the purpose of holding a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors and the Annual Meeting for the election of Board Members. All homeowners are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Homeowners who wish their name be added to the ballot, complete the form included in this newsletter.

Any questions or concerns should be address by our Property Manager, Charissa Ziobro **(847) 490-3833** or charissa.ziobro@associa.us

President's Remarks

I'd like to open this newsletter thanking all the homeowners who attended the December meeting. Your input is a great help to the Board. We hope to see you at the March 23rd 2015 meeting. If you haven't attended a RT2 Board Meeting in a while, plan on attend this one, we can sure use your participation.

The March meeting is also the Annual Meeting for the election of Board Members. This meeting, usually held in December was postponed to this meeting. Three (3) of your five (5) board members are up for re-election. A nomination form is included at the end of this newsletter if you'd like your name to be included on the ballot and run for a spot on the board. Ballots, with the candidates names for these board positions, will be mailed after February 23rd and you can bring your ballot to the March meeting, send it to the management office or give it to another homeowner who will be attending the meeting. Instructions for casting your vote will be included on the ballot. We need as many ballots returned by homeowners either in person at the meeting or by sending in their ballot, to make sure we have sufficient number to hold the Annual Meeting.

Also, I'm glad to announce that even with the bad winter of 2013-2014 and the extra costs for snow removal, we were still able to end the year breaking even. The 2015 budget required only a modest increase, and those funds will be used for property maintenance projects.

Community Safety

Round Lake Police Chief Michael Gillette suggests that we all keep a look out for any suspicious activity in and around vacant homes in the neighborhood. There have been a few incidents of people breaking in to a vacant property to steal appliances or damage the property. If we see something call either 911 or 847-270-9111, ask for assistance and let an officer check it out..

Chief Gillette also warned that there is an increase in Round Lake of break-ins of parked cars. Thieves are on the prowl for cars with items of value in plain view. He said a number of unlocked vehicles were burglarized in and around town. He reminds us that the best thing we could do is stow items (cell phones, mp3 players, etc.) out of sight and Lock Our Car Doors. Remember,

Village Speed Limit is 25MPH

Neighborhood Communications

We have created a web site for information pertaining to our homeowners association. The web address is:

www.Rt2web.com

...and it contains

- A calendar of upcoming events
- Online association documents, Declarations, By-Laws, Satellite and Storm Door request forms, etc. are contained on the Association Documents Page.
- Links for important phone numbers

- referrals for homeowner recommended contractors.
- Link to the Homeowner account page where you can see your account balance, work order status and request maintenance.

We also have a **Contact Us** page where you can communicate with Board members and the Property Manager.

We are adding new info as it becomes available, suggestions for content would be appreciated; please contact the webmaster via the Contact Us page.



Snow Removal

We got a big start to our 2015 snow season with the last 15+ inch storm. MSL was out three times to move and clean-up after the storm and it appears they did a good job with a big storm.

To help with the snow removal process, let's do what we can to not hinder the effort. When possible, park vehicles in the garage or on the driveway as close to the garage as possible, while not blocking the sidewalk to your front door. Auto courts, keep your vehicles in front of your unit and do not park vehicles in the auto court driveway.

Please use the Contact Us page on the web site to let us know how you feel MSL did with this storm.

Parking

We have a limited number of parking spaces in our community , each homeowner needs to be aware that parking across sidewalks or overnight on the street is prohibited by Village Ordinance. Each homeowner must park in their own driveways without blocking sidewalks or blocking access in the auto courts. There are additional parking spaces at the end of the auto courts and those spots are for the use of the residents of that auto court. Parking anywhere else in an auto court is NOT ALLOWED and is subject to a violation and fine. Please do not obstruct you neighbors or the snow crews.

Recycling Updates

Textile Recycling Program

To help reduce landfill space, SWALCO is establishing a new community-wide program where clothing and textiles can be collected for recycling.

The program will accept new, gently used, used or unwanted/worn, women's, men's and children's clothing and textiles. All fabrics will be accepted. Even clothes or textiles with stains or holes will be accepted. The great news too, is that almost 95% of the materials collected will be repurposed or recycled.

Bring old or unwanted textiles of all kinds to one of Lake County's Textile Drop Off Boxes to be repurposed or recycled! **Our textile drop-off box is located at the Round Lake Village Hall in the parking lot at 442 N. Cedar Lake Rd., Round Lake, IL**

Additional info and drop-off locations can be found at the SWALCO web site <http://alturl.com/m3wh3>

New Electronic Recycling Drop-Off Locations Opened

The Village of Round Lake will no longer accept Electronics Recycling. Six new locations opened for residential electronic drop-offs on Jan. 2. Disposing of electronics safely helps keep our environment safe and clean, and there is no cost to drop off electronics at these locations.

Our electronics recycling drop off location is Grant Township: Road District Facility at 26535 Molidor Rd., Ingleside, IL

Monday - Friday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Excluding holidays.

For more information see <http://alturl.com/q9io3>

Fox Lake Christmas Light Recycling

Bring your unwanted or broken holiday lights to light recycling container located outside the front entrance of Fox Lake Village Hall and inside the Fox Lake Police Department main entrance. Call Village Hall at 847.587.2151 for more information.

For more information regarding trash pickup, see the Waste Management website. At <http://alturl.com/ghtb9>



Pet Policy—Owners Must Comply

It is extremely important for pet owners to be aware of and in compliance with the Rules regarding pets. Here are a few reminders:

Pets should not be allowed to create a disturbance or nuisance to surrounding units. Owners are responsible for controlling excessive barking or other nuisance behaviors.

Pet waste must be cleaned up

immediately after deposit at all times. Residents must carry bags or the equipment with them to remove the waste when walking their pet anywhere in the community.

Lawn damage caused by pets is the responsibility of the resident.

Pets should not be tied, staked, or chained outside and left unattended. Pets

should be on a hand-held leash when outside the unit.

People and pets must coexist in the community. This is especially important in a multi-family community where some owners have pets and some do not. Please be courteous of your fellow residents by complying with the pet guidelines.



As the snow melts, pick up the area around your unit. Violation letters will be sent to homeowners who do not.

Selling or Refinancing?

If you are selling or refinancing your home, you will need certain documents from Vanguard Management for your closing. There is a charge for the processing of this information. In order to ensure a smooth closing, please contact Management at (847)-490-3833 . You will need to call at least 30 days in advance of the closing if selling, or 10 days in advance of the closing if refinancing, to guarantee processing of your paperwork.



Owners are permitted to install one (1) "For Sale" or "For Rent" sign in a unit's window, with prior notification by homeowner of intent to display the above allowed sign.

Our Property Management

Vanguard Community Management
50 E. Commerce, Suite # 110, Schaumburg, IL
60173 (847)-490-3833 Normal and after hours
Email: charissa.ziobro@associa.us



Paying your Assessment

Assessment payments should be mailed to:

Remington Trails II Townhome Association
Vanguard Community Management
PO Box 61955
Phoenix, AZ 85082-1955

Include your address in the memo field on your check.

Payments can also be made online at
www.VanguardCommunity.com

Payments are due on the first of each month, and are late after the 15th of each month.

Direct debit is available for interested owners. See the rt2web.com web site or contact Management for more information.

Volunteers Needed

Remington Trails II needs volunteers for several different Committees and for the Board of Directors.

If you are interested in serving on the Board, please review the attached Call for Candidates and complete the Nomination Application Form so that your name can be added to the ballot for the upcoming election.

If you are interested in volunteering in other ways, please see the following Committee List:

Maintenance Committee

Social Committee

Please use the Contact Us page on the web site or contact Management if you would like to volunteer . Thank you!





**Remington Trails II
Homeowners Association
Round Lake, Illinois**

February 12, 2015

Dear Remington Trails II Homeowner:

We are writing to inform you of an important event coming for the Remington Trails II homeowners; the Annual Meeting and Election of the Board of Directors.

The Remington Trails II Townhome Association Annual Election Meeting will be held **on Monday, March 23, 2015 at 6:00 P.M.** at the Round Lake Village Hall, Community Room, in the Police Department Building, 741 Townline Road, Round Lake, Illinois. This year we will be electing three (3) Directors to the Board, each for a two year term of office. Officer positions will be voted on by the Board Members following the election.

The Board of Directors is comprised of owners who serve as representatives of the Association and are elected by the homeowners. The Board generally holds one Open Meeting each quarter. Board meetings usually last two hours. Elected Member's attendance is required at the quarterly meetings whenever possible.

It is the responsibility of the Directors to supervise the property of the Association, including the adoption of Rules and Regulations, enforcement of covenants, preparation of annual budgets, approval of expenditures, contracting other activities of the Association, as required by the Not For Profit Corporation Act, as well as the Association Declarations and By-Laws (CC&R's). The authority of the Board of Directors is derived from the Declarations and By-Laws of the Association.

Any unit owner in good standing may run for a position on the Board, however, only one homeowner per unit may serve on the Board of Directors at a given time. Members of the Board of Directors should be interested homeowners who have the concern and time to give to the Community in the performance of these important functions. They should be knowledgeable and competent individuals whose primary responsibility is to act in the best interest of the Association at large.

Since the Association is the equivalent of a corporate business, Directors should be qualified to conduct the affairs of the Association in a reasonable, impartial, and business-like manner. It is important to remember that the Directors are also homeowners, and the only compensation a member of your Board receives is the personal satisfaction of undertaking a difficult task.

The election of Board members should receive your careful consideration. You are urged to become a candidate yourself, or to solicit the involvement of someone who you feel will be an asset to the Community. If you wish to discuss the role of a Director, or if you have further questions regarding the Annual Meeting, please feel free to call Charissa Ziobro, Property Manager, at (847) 490-3833 or contact her via email at charissa.ziobro@associa.us.

Enclosed is a Nomination Form for those who are interested in serving on the Board of Directors. Please return the completed form to Vanguard Community Management no later than February 23, 2015. The resumes of those who submit their names as candidates will be announced in the next mailing.

Your Board of Directors

NOMINATION APPLICATION

I hereby submit my name in consideration for nomination to the Board of Directors of Remington Trails II Townhome Association. I understand that this information is given for Association use only.

INFORMATION: (PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____ **HOME PHONE** _____
OFFICE PHONE _____

QUALIFICATIONS: (INCLUDE ANY INFORMATION REGARDING EXPERIENCE WHICH WOULD ASSIST YOU AS A DIRECTOR, I.E. JOB EXPERIENCE, EDUCATION, COMMITTEE WORK, COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT)

YOU MAY USE THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS SHEET IF NECESSARY. PLEASE RETURN BY THE DEADLINS TO Associa Chicagoland, Inc., Attention: Charissa Ziobro, 50 E. Commerce Drive, Suite 110, Schaumburg, IL 60173, or via fax to 847-490-9807 OR BY EMAIL TO: charissa.ziobro@associa.us.

CANDIDATE SIGNATURE: _____