



# Ashcombe Farms Newsletter

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## Spring/ Summer Issue



### ATTENTION:

Dover Township's  
Yard Debris Drop  
Off Facility open  
on the 2nd  
and 4th  
Saturdays  
each  
month from 7:00  
AM to 4:00 PM.



For more info: 717-  
292-3634

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## Deerfield Drive Parking

As we all know, parking on Deerfield Drive is at a premium. The Board expects that lot owners and renters will use their driveways and garages first, then make use of both Deerfield overflow lots, *before* parking along the streets, in order to alleviate this problem. Much of the lower Deerfield lot is often empty when the upper lot is full. Please also park close as close to the curb as possible when street parking is necessary to allow for the passage of emergency vehicles, if needed.

Parking on sidewalks, curbs, or grass medians is prohibited by law. However, the HOA cannot police parking violations. Please report all parking violations to the Northern York County Regional Police by calling **717-292-3647**.



## Board Members Election

Any person who would be willing to be on the HOA Executive Board should submit their name for nomination **before May 1, 2020**. You **must** be a Lot Owner in order to be eligible to serve on the Executive Board. Nominations must be submitted to the Board Secretary via the HOA's email address: [ashcombefarmshoa@yahoo.com](mailto:ashcombefarmshoa@yahoo.com). Renters may not serve on the Board.

Persons who are nominated will be asked to write a brief summary about themselves so the lot owners may know something about the nominees. Potential Board members should have time available to devote to service on the Board. Please refer to this document on the HOA website: <http://www.ashcombefarmshoa.com/minutes/specialmeetingmay09.PDF>. It will provide you with information regarding the responsibilities of HOA Executive Board members.

### **There are two board seats up for election.**

These board members will serve a term of three years. The newly elected Board members' terms will end in 2024. If there are three or more nominees, the election will take place through a general mailing at the end of May.



# Boat, RV, & Trailer Parking Limits

The Board wanted to remind all lot owners and residents that there is a time limit on how long boats, RVs and trailers can be parked outside within view of the community.

For single-family homes, no boat, camper, or recreational vehicle may be parked in the street or on the lot for more than one (1) day. The regulation is the same for the townhomes: only one day.



## YOU'VE GOT M@IL!



If you're interested in receiving your newsletter electronically and helping us save on postage and mailing costs, please email the Secretary at [ashcombefarm-shoa@yahoo.com](mailto:ashcombefarm-shoa@yahoo.com) and ask to be put on the mailing list. When our next newsletter comes out, it will get emailed directly to your inbox! Just make sure you add our email address to your address book so our newsletters don't get filed as spam.

## Fire Safety

Summer is coming, and we do appreciate the warmer weather. However, we encourage all lot owners to exercise care when using fire near their homes. Last year, we saw an uptick of tiki torches being used on residents' decks that were then left unmonitored. Please do not leave any kind of fire, whether it is torches, open charcoal grills, fire pits, or chimineas, unsupervised near your home.



## Like Us on Facebook!



Board meetings, snow removal, and other updates are posted regularly on the HOA's Facebook page. You can find us at [www.facebook.com/ashcombefarmsdover](http://www.facebook.com/ashcombefarmsdover) or you can scan the QR code to be taken directly to our Facebook page!



# ITEMS OF IMPORTANCE

## We Love Our Dogs

We all enjoy dogs. We all love dog owners who are responsible and clean up after their pets even more! It is important for all lot owners to scoop up after their dogs. In addition, **all dogs are required to be on leashes when outside their home if they are not in a fence – physical or electronic.** The law defines this as being under the control of the owner. Please contact NYCPRP regarding unleashed dogs. The HOA does not have jurisdiction over unleashed dogs.



The HOA Regulations require dog poop to be scooped every day. **Consider sending your pets to the back yard to perform their daily needs. That way, front yards remain neat and clean for folks walking past your property.** Failure to comply with this regulation can result in non-compliance issues and fines. **When you walk your pet, remember to carry a bag to pick up any “business” left behind by your pet. No dog dirt should be ever left behind on any common area grounds.**

## No Parking on the Grass, Please

By township ordinance, vehicles are prohibited from parking on the HOA’s lawns, including the center islands. We understand that parking is at a premium within the HOA. However, parking on the common grounds and on islands is still prohibited. It impedes the mowers and causes damage to our lawns. Vehicles parked in the grass medians will be towed at the owner’s expense.



## Non-Compliance Procedures

**All non-compliance is kept confidential.** The HOA secretary does not disclose who made the report. Issues must be reported with great detail. The reports should include the name of the individual who is corresponding, the address related to the issue, photos of the situation in question (if possible) and other related details that may provide specifics to assist in the investigation. **Anonymous non-compliance reports will not be investigated.**

Regulations require that all trash cans be stored out of sight of common areas. Please make sure that your trash cans and recycle bins are properly and promptly put away after garbage and recycling pickup each week.

Failure to comply with this regulation can result in noncompliance issues and fines.

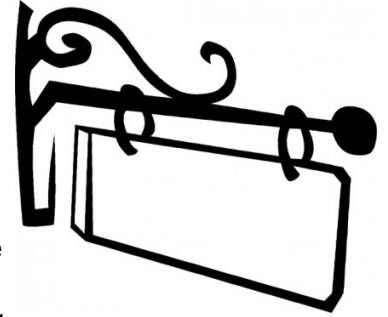
The HOA appreciates your cooperation!



# Signs Within the Community

As a reminder, signs, billboards, and advertising devices are prohibited within the community, including but not limited to religious, political, and decorative. The following are the exceptions:

- ◆ One Realty/For Sale/For Rent sign, limited to 2' x 3' in size.
- ◆ No more than two (2) small security system signs, each less than 12" x 12" in size, and placed within two feet of the front of the home or front porch.
- ◆ Signs placed by driveway resurfacing contractors are permitted, but must be removed within three working days of original placement.
- ◆ Signs placed by lawn care contractors are also permitted, but also must be removed within three working days of original placement, and cannot be more than 12" x 12".



Decorative flags are permitted, provided they are on poles or hangers and are not for the purpose of advertising a business or political candidate. Flags must be manufactured, not homemade, and cannot be more than 3' x 6' in size. No more than three (3) flags may be flown on a lot at the same time.

If you have further questions, please consult your Regulations or email the Secretary at [ash-combefarmshoa@yahoo.com](mailto:ash-combefarmshoa@yahoo.com).

## Sewer Caps

Please be aware of the location of your home's sewer cap. These are often located either near the home or close to the sidewalk. If the cap is damaged, it is the homeowner's responsibility to repair or replace the cap. However, if the cap is damaged by the HOA's lawn care or snow removal contractors, please reach out and contact the Secretary. In that case, the HOA will have the contractor replace the cap at no cost to the lot owner.

## Bird Nests



The Board has heard from a number of residents that they have difficulty with birds nesting behind shutters (and, in the townhomes, sometimes the medallions), and thus creating a messy appearance that violates the "neat and tidy" clause in the Regulations. There are some easy ways to mitigate this and keep the nests from being created behind these places. One way is to seal off the back side of the shutters with something like caulking. Another is to fill in the space with something else, like old rags or towels, or even pool noodles. Pool noodles can be spray painted a complementary color to your shutters and stuffed behind so that they are no longer noticeable.

## Community Yard Sale

This year's annual Community Yard Sale has been scheduled, as usual, for the first weekend in May. The sale will be held on Friday, April 30, 2021, and Saturday, May 1, 2021.

Please mark your calendars!





Check us out online at  
AshcombeFarmsHOA.com

## Lot Owner Request Form

Please note that the Executive Board requires advance approval for any change in the footprint of the home, patio, sidewalk, general additions, and any other improvements/changes to a property. Please use the approved form which can be found at the website. All requests for changes must comply with the Ashcombe Farms HOA By-laws and Regulations. Work may not begin until Executive Board approval has been granted. Please allow thirty (30) days from date of request for the Board to act and for work to begin. Verbal approval will not be given. You will receive a written decision from the Executive Board. You may be required to obtain a Dover Township building permit. The Executive Board does not have knowledge of the codes

which require a building permit. This must be verified by the lot owner. Each lot owner must submit their own request. Multiple lot requests will automatically be denied. **The Board will not entertain requests submitted by third-party vendors.**



### Executive Board

**Richard Farr - President**

**Fred King - Vice President**

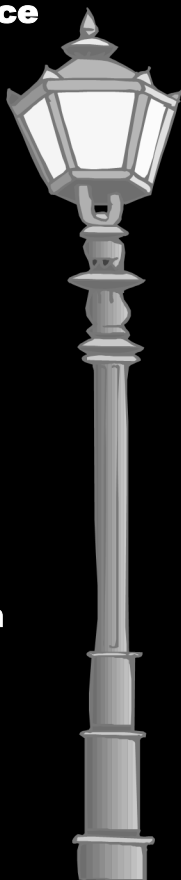
**Lisa Tate - Treasurer**

**Judy Jackson - Board Member**

**Karen Sipe - Board Member**

### **Top Noncompliance Issues:**

- 1) Keep Outside Light on Overnight**
- 2) Trash Can Stored Out of sight**
- 3) Cleaning Up "Dog Dirt"**
- 4) Lot Owner Requests**
- 5) Recreation vehicles stored out of sight**



## **USEFUL NAMES AND NUMBERS**

**Emergency** (Fire, Ambulance, etc) **911**

**Poison Control** **1.800.222.2222**

**NYCRPD** (non-emergency only) **1.717.292.3647**

[www.nycrpd.org](http://www.nycrpd.org)

**Dover Township** **1.717.292.3634**

[www.dovertownship.org](http://www.dovertownship.org)

[dovertwp@dovertownship.org](mailto:dovertwp@dovertownship.org)

**York County** [www.york-county.org](http://www.york-county.org)

**State Elected Officials** [www.legis.state.pa.us](http://www.legis.state.pa.us)

**Ashcombe Farms HOA**

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Drop box at Ashcombe & Deerfield

Emergency Voicemail **1.717.745.6034**

## **Board Meeting Dates for 2021**

Tentative Schedule is as follows:

- Tuesday, June 8, 2021, 7 pm. 1842 Deerfield
- Tuesday, Sept. 14, 2021, 7 pm, 1842 Deerfield
- Annual Meeting: October 2021, date TBD
- Tuesday, Nov. 16, 2021, 7 pm, 1842 Deerfield

