



fall 2007 newsletter

Announcement: Election of Officers

The election of officers for the Lomond Association will be held at the next association meeting: **Thursday October 11, 2007, 7:00 p.m. at Lomond School.**

The election process will begin at 7 p.m. and end at 8 p.m. Only Lomond residents with paid membership will be eligible to vote. Residents who are not paid members are welcome to pay at the door and receive a ballot.

All votes must be cast in person.

Officer positions include: President, Executive Vice President, Vice President of Community Affairs, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer

Voting results will be announced prior to the close of the meeting. Please come out and vote for YOUR candidate.

Nominee Information

Nominees were asked to answer the following questions:

- 1) Name
- 2) How long have you lived in the Shaker/Lomond area?

- 3) What do you like about living in the Shaker/Lomond area?
- 4) What do you bring to the position for which you have been nominated?

President

Lorenzo Melton:
no response



1. Brian Yusko

2. I have lived on Palmerston Road, across from the Lomond school field, for 7 years.

3. We moved to Shaker from Michigan in June 2000. My wife and I were attracted to Shaker because of the reputation of the schools, beautiful houses and yards, and a strong commitment to diversity. We have been especially impressed by the high quality of our children's teachers at Lomond School.

4. I have demonstrated leadership qualities during the re-activation of the Association. I have served as a member of the Steering Committee since January, attended six of the past



eight Association meetings, facilitated small group discussions at three vision meetings, and I have served as Steering Committee Co-Chair since mid-August.

Executive VP

1. Pamela Jordan

2. 16 years.
3. Quality education, diversity, sense of community, safe neighborhoods
4. I possess 15



years as an administrative director in post secondary education and the past 4 years as a small business owner. I have written training programs, proposals, implemented training centers and maintained federal contracts serving diverse populations such as dislocated workers, economically disadvantaged, injured workers, individuals with disabilities and out of school youth.

1. Bryan K. Moore

2. A lifelong resident of Shaker, I have lived in the Lomond area for 13 years.
3. I enjoy the diversity and sense of community in the Lomond area.



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Executive VP

Bryan K. Moore (continued)

4. As Executive Vice President I will help develop a formal strategy and timeline for us to reach our Vision for 2012.

VP Community Affairs

1. Roger Freeman

2. 40 years in same Lomond house
3. I love the location and the diversity of the neighborhood. I've made many close friends and acquaintances over the years. It's a great place to raise kids, and the educational system has been good for them.
4. I have an abundance of energy, a concern for the community and the time to do it now that I am retired. I believe it's our obligation to be involved.



1. Isaac Greber

2. My wife and I have lived in Shaker since 1959. We first rented in the Moreland area, where our first daughter was born, then moved to our current house at the end of 1963,



shortly before the birth of our second daughter.

3. Moved into Shaker because of high quality of schools. Daughters went to Lomond, Byron, Shaker High. We like quality of Shaker Heights city services, excellent library, park areas, athletic facilities, friendships of our Lomond neighbors. Issues that need regular attention: house maintenance, quality of schools, quality of nearby shopping areas.
4. Participated organizing Moreland, Lomond Community Associations. Editor Moreland, Lomond newsletters. Member Leadership Committee of Lomond that drafted new code. Faculty member CWRU, Chairman Mechanical Engineering, president CWRU chapter American Association of University Professors. Much experience articulating concerns of community to people responsible for action. Will proactively develop liaison with City administration.

Recording Secretary

1. Felicia Melton.

2. I have lived in Shaker Heights a total of 5 years.
3. I like the racial diversity of Shaker Heights.
4. I, along with others, helped write the Code. The Recording Secretary has the important task of being the



“Custodian” of the Code. As a co-writer of the Code, I feel it is my duty to run for this office, especially in the Code’s infancy. It is important that our emerging organization have a firm foundation that is followed.

Corresponding Secretary

1. Daniel Coffey

2. Two years
3. My wife and I moved to Lomond because of the reputation of Shaker’s schools and the quality of life in Shaker. We enjoy living in a diverse community and being able to walk to shops and restaurants. We especially love living so close to the Lomond School and the Shaker Family Center.
4: I am strongly committed to the success of the Lomond Neighborhood Association. I have been working with members of the Lomond Neighborhood Association since this past spring and I have helped to coordinate and edit the newsletters.



1. Shane Millette

2. I have lived in Shaker since 1998, first on Strandhill as a renter and now on Lynnfield as a homeowner.



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Shane Millette (continued)

3. There are two things I love most about this neighborhood: 1. I love the mix of people. Lomond is diverse in so many ways (religion, income level, race, ethnicity, occupations, education level, backgrounds, language and ways I have yet to discover). And yet there is a genuine cohesiveness here - differences are respected and appreciated. 2. Also Lomond is a bit more laid back than the rest of Shaker. Lomond always seems a little less hurried and anxious to me than other parts of the city and as a consequence I find a stroll around the block a great pleasure.

4. I am running for the position of Corresponding Secretary because, for the most part, I have already been doing this exact job and know precisely what is required. I have the experience, the desire and the time to do this job well.

Treasurer

1. Margaret Dowdell

2. I have been a resident of the Lomond Community for thirty-five years.

3. We love the area, the people, and the



atmosphere of Shaker. Our children are proud graduates of the Shaker school system. My husband and I have always been involved in the Lomond Association.

4. I bring to this position my experience, honesty, and integrity. I am the current treasurer of the association. I have been involved in the reorganization of the Lomond association for the past ten months. I am a member of the membership and steering committees.

1. Leasen Limberg

2. I've lived in Lomond for 3 and a half years.

3. My neighbors! Upon moving here from out of town, my husband and I considered ourselves extremely lucky to find out that we are surrounded by so many great people and young families! I also love that we're within walking distance of so many things to do.

4. I recently left the public accounting firm Ernst & Young after almost five years as an auditor in their assurance practice. I'm now staying home with my daughter who is 9 months old. I'm extremely meticulous when it comes to finances and have served in the treasurer role for other organizations with which I've been involved.



Attention Two-Family Owners

Are you looking for financial assistance to improve the exterior of your house? The Fund for the Future of Shaker Heights, a non-profit corporation, is completing a two-year project with the residents of Winslow Road. During this time, The Fund made matching grants of up to \$7500 for exterior improvements. More than \$330,000 was granted to 45 Winslow homeowners for projects totaling more than \$740,000. The Fund is looking for another group of two-family owners on one block who would like to participate in such a project in 2008. Please call Gail Gibson, 491-1457, if you and your neighbors would like more information.

Forum on Foreclosures

At the "Forum on Foreclosure" sponsored by the Foreclosure Prevention Partnership of the Lomond Association, County Treasurer Jim Rokakis spoke about the devastating effect foreclosure is having in Cleveland and how it is spilling into inner- and outer-ring suburbs. He warned that as adjustable rate mortgages are reset, the problem will continue to spread. Ed Kraus, the co-manager of the Cleveland office of Ohio's Attorney General, highlighted the aggressive action his department is taking to

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Forum on Foreclosures (cont'd)

track down and prosecute predatory lenders and scam artists. Other invited participants included Lisa Gold-Scott of the Shaker Heights Law Department, Councilwoman Lynn Ruffner, chair of the Fair Housing Review Board, Jim LaRue, a green-design and homeownership consultant, Debra Baumgartner from the Buckeye Area Development Corporation, Charles Thigpen, senior vice-president of Community Development for Third Federal Savings and Loan, Steve Wertheim, the director of United Way First Call for Help, and Jenelle Deame from ESOP, a non-profit advocacy group that helps mortgage holders keep their homes. Those who missed the program will be able to see a film of the speakers at a showing to be announced.

Helpful #'s on Foreclosures

Foreclosure is a problem in Lomond. Prevention of foreclosure is possible if those who are getting into trouble take swift action. The following is a list of numbers for those needing assistance or more information: United Way's First Call for Help Hotline--dial 2-1-1 or (216) 436-2000; The Foreclosure Prevention Center for Cuyahoga County--(216) 443-7400; ESOP (Empowering and Strengthening

Ohio's People)--(216) 361-0718; Ohio Consumer Credit Counseling Services--1-800-355-2227. There are other non-profits available to help, but the place to begin is 2-1-1. Counselors at First Call for Help will direct callers to the appropriate agency.

September City Council Meeting

The regular September meeting of the Shaker Heights City Council was held Monday, September 24 in Council Chambers. Earl Leiken presided, in the absence of Mayor Rawson. The meeting was short, the requested actions presented to the council were not controversial, and the ensuing motions to accept the requested actions were passed unanimously. The Council approved easements and improvements related to the new multipurpose trail and to the multipurpose sports field in the Shaker Boulevard median strip. These recommendations had previously been approved by the City Planning Commission. The Planning Commission's recommendation for a conditional use permit for a barber shop and car wash on Lee Road was approved. Council authorized a sole source contract for billboard advertising at Cleveland Hopkins airport. Contracts for quality control inspection and related infrastructure services, and for culvert repair, were authorized. The largest financial item acted on was provision

for the sale of \$6,845,000 of urban renewal temporary bonds, in anticipation of definitive urban renewal bonds, for the purpose of paying costs of city urban renewal project activities. Finally Council authorized settlement of a lawsuit against the City, concerning the adequacy of provisions for persons with disabilities. Law Director Cannon expressed the desire of the City to go beyond the requirements of the law in providing adequate access. Several Council members spoke in praise of this point of view.

Upcoming Events

Lomond Community Association Elections

Thursday October 11, 2007, 7 pm at Lomond School.

AppleFest!

Tuesday, October 23, 7 - 8:30 pm at Lomond School. Lomond Community Association Celebration of a new Executive Committee. Meet your neighbors and greet our new officers. Cider, coffee, and apple dishes will be served. If you are interested in baking or joining the social committee, contact Karen at 991-5144.

League of Women Voters hosts "Candidates Night"

Thursday Oct 18th 7-9 pm at the Shaker Middle School, by the Shaker Heights League of Women Voters.



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