

**2024 IRONWOOD HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION
LIMITED PROXY/ABSENTEE BALLOT**

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR PROXY! It is important that a quorum is present in person or by proxy to conduct business at the Annual Meeting on January 9, 2024. If you attend the meeting and wish to change your vote, you may void your proxy at the meeting.

In order for your vote to be counted:

1. You must attend the annual meeting with your completed ballot.

OR

2. Select a proxy (a person who will be present at the meeting). NOTE: Proxies will not change your vote, as long as you mark your selection(s) below. If you do not fill out your vote the appointed proxy may vote on your behalf.
3. The proxy must be signed and dated.
4. You must be an Ironwood homeowner in good standing. (Current on dues payments.)

The undersigned hereby appoints a current Board Member to serve as my proxy: (Select only **one**)

David Brown JoEllen Bahnsen Susan Parrent Jeff Woodall

OR

OTHER (Please Print Name) _____

Board of Directors Election - Up to **four** may be selected. (See reverse side for candidate bios.)

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>TELEPHONE</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Mel Brown	1910 Crestmoor CC Cove Ct	309-530-5510
<input type="checkbox"/> Merritt Burns	507 Whispering Pines CC Lane	309-530-5233
<input type="checkbox"/> Tyler Mortensen	1916 Haverhill CC Park	815-383-3281
<input type="checkbox"/> Keith Palmgren	2011 Claremont CC Commons	309-531-9605
<input type="checkbox"/> Linda Rheeling	2006 Haverhill CC Park	309-454-2941
<input type="checkbox"/> _____	_____	_____

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

ADDRESS _____

IMPORTANT! The proxy must be signed, dated, and received before **January 9, 2024**.

- (a) Mail it with dues payment to: **IHOA, PO BOX 656, NORMAL, IL 61761**
- (b) Scan it into a pdf file and e-mail to: **Webmaster@ihoa.org**

IRONWOOD HOMEOWNERS DUES NOTICE

Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____
E-Mail _____

Due Date: January 9, 2024
Amount Due: \$50.00
Mail proxy and payment to:
Ironwood Homeowners Association
PO Box 656, Normal, IL 61761

(e-mail is used to receive association newsletters)

COMMENTS:

NOTE: The proxy and dues notice may be mailed together.

IHOA Board of Director Candidates' Bios

Mel Brown

My name is Mel Brown. I have lived in Ironwood since 2014, and in the Bloomington Normal community for over fifty years. I am a graduate of ISU and worked at State Farm in various financial roles for 36 years, retiring in 2006. I was a member of the 2020 By-laws Revision Committee, and currently serve as Communications Chair on the board. I am interested in serving the Ironwood community as a board member in order to preserve and improve the wonderful standard of living we all enjoy. I am a strong believer in upholding the by-laws and covenants. As a golfer myself, I also understand the importance of having a mutually beneficial relationship between the IHOA and golf course management. I would be honored to continue to serve you on the board. Thank you.

Merritt Burns

My name is Merritt Burns. I am seeking to become a stable and consistent voice within this association. My family and I have lived in Ironwood since the Spring of 2021. Our kids attend Prairieland Elementary and we have found this neighborhood to be a wonderful home and community for our family. My wife and a few of our neighbors share that enjoyment of the neighborhood and celebrate it every July in their sponsoring of the neighborhood block party at the golf course. Ever since my undergraduate years at Illinois State, which afforded me a career in education, I have thoroughly enjoyed Bloomington-Normal. The last seven years I have worked as an administrator for a nearby school district. My career in education will lend me well to serving on the board as I will hear all of the voices evenly and fairly as I work to make decisions in the best interest of the community. Anytime there is a concern I promise that your voice will be heard, however your concerns may not always yield the result that you seek. At the end of the day, we all share the desire and vision for this neighborhood to be the best version of itself for ourselves, our families and future homebuyers.

Tyler Mortensen

The number of votes I got last year shows a large amount of people want to get rid of the retirees that abuse their position on the HOA board. I would have been on the board last year, but they are so terrified of listening to the community that they went back on precedence. They had people write in for a vacated position so they could pick the person that would vote like them instead of listening to the community who voted for me.

Vote for me if you want the board to follow the actual covenants as written. Board members like Linda and Susan say they follow the covenants but instead use the board to enforce their pet peeves, like litigating to force the removal of sheds, that existed before the HOA creation, at the homeowners' expense. Vote them in at your own risk of being the next neighbor to be sued by the board based on their imagined rules.

Keith Palmgren

Hi, my name is Keith Palmgren, and I have served on the IHOA Board of Directors since January 2021 and most recently as your beautification chair member. I am asking for your vote to continue on the board and as to my chair role. I have lived in the Ironwood Subdivision for over 31 years and in that time have seen many changes. My goal, as always, is to make the best decisions for all Ironwood residents. I would appreciate your vote. Thank you.

Linda Rheeling

My name is Linda Rheeling and I'm running for reelection to the IHOA board of directors. My husband Roger and I moved to Normal and Ironwood 31 years ago because of a job change. We moved here as empty nesters but found many young and wonderful families that have welcomed us into their circle with open arms. We love Ironwood and all the wonderful friends and neighbors that we have had over the years. Over the years that I have served on the board I have served in various positions: secretary, covenant chair, president a few times and currently vice president. As a board member I have tried to remain consistent and to uphold the bylaws and covenants as they are written. I hope you will consider voting for me again. I look forward to serving you all again. Thank you.