Cherry Hill Civic Association



Newsletter 2009-2010 Annual Update

President's Corner

As 2009 comes to a close, I hope this newsletter finds you surrounded with family, friends and enjoying favorite holiday traditions. One tradition of mine I would like to share with you that I do at this time of the year is to reflect on the current year and start planning the next.

I am applying this tradition to the Cherry Hill Civic Association as well since I have recently been elected to the office of President. CHCA Trustees elected the following officers for the 2009-2010 year (October 1) through September 30).

President - Tina Sefcik
Vice President - Ed Tavares
Treasurer - Anita Gongola
Secretary - Jason Nash

A special thanks to everyone who participated in the 2009-2010 Membership Drive, it was a great success.

Your yearly membership runs from October 1 of the current year (2009)

through September 30 of the following year (2010).

I chose to make contact with a different section of neighbors than I usually do, and I met some great folks this year! If you are interested in meeting neighbors and making some new friends, please consider participating as a Collection Captain next year in the annual Membership Drive.

If the Membership Drive isn't for you, there are plenty of other ways you can make a difference in our neighborhood by participating on one of the other CHCA committees. Committee Chairs and members will begin planning activities for 2010 in the near future. If you would like more information on one of the committees, contact me at tsefcik@yahoo.com.

Wishing you and your family a happy holiday season and a healthy and prosperous new year!

Cherry Hill's New Sign

Hopefully everyone has seen the Cherry Hill sign erected in September 2009 at the Courtright Road entrance. The new sign distinguishes the Cherry Hill subdivision from the Pickerington Run subdivision.

This project was approved in 1995 and because of a number of factors it never materialized. Due in large part to the focus and effort of our 2008-2009 board, the sign was finally completed.

Additionally, the sign is illuminated by two LED Solar Powered flood-lights. The board of trustees is looking to use similar lights at one or both of the Cherry Hill signs at the Diley entrance (now that the construction is complete).

I hope you agree that it is nice to have a clear entrance into our Cherry Hill that defines the beauty of our neighborhood.

Special Events

Santa Claus is coming to Cherry Hill

December 17th 6:30pm to 8:30pm If you want a visit from Santa, please call for details.

Santa's Elf Alicia at 833-6970

bargainkween@gmail.com

Santa's Mailbox!!

Get those letters Postmarked by <u>December 20th</u> So Santa can send back a personal note.

CHCA General Membership Meeting

Plan on joining us at the Pickerington Public Library <u>December 21st, 2009</u> <u>Starts at7pm Sharp!</u>

CHCA 2009-2010 Membership Directory

The updated CHC directory will be sent out via e-mail by <u>December 7th, 2009</u> (See the article on page 2)

CHCA Website

The sight has been updated and we are keeping things updated. Check it out: www.neighborhoodlink.com/Cherry_Hill/home

E-Mail Communication

The CHCA Board is making an effort to spend our membership dues the best way we can. To this end we are really making an effort to limit the paper copies we use for our communications. This can be done by using our Website and communicating by email. We understand that there will be a need to produce paper copies for some of our members, but we have over 85% of our members on email. At the same time, we understand that you don't want to get "junk mail" - we are committed to communicating only that information that we feel is meaningful and relevant to our Cherry Hill community.

Membership Directory

The 2009-2010 CHCA

Membership Directory has been compiled. All members (recorded as of December 1, 2009) will be listed in the directory. This years' directory will be sent out electronically to all CHCA members that provided an e-mail address. If you did not provide an email, the directory will be printed in brief and left at your mailbox.

CHCA Website

As in other communication, the directory will be posted on our Cherry Hill website. Other meeting minutes and calendar events will also be posted at our website. Take note that some e-mail communications may direct you to the website for more information. The Board of Trustees is working hard to keep the side updated with all of the relevant updates.

Cherry Hill Food Drive Fall 2009

Cherry Hill Civic Association coordinated our annual neighborhood Food Drive with a little bit of a change. In the past we had tied the food drive to Halloween. While this provided for a good opportunity to teach kids about the value of giving, we found it exceedingly difficult to get broad support.

This year we again partnered with the PCMA Food Pantry to support our local Pickerington community. In all we collected four bountiful shopping carts FULL of food. From basic toiletries, Pet Care and non-perishable foods – our contributions were significant and will make a difference in our community.

The PCMA Food Pantry sent the Cherry Hill Civic Association Members their appreciation for our support.

At this time we are looking at a Spring food drive in March 2010. If you would like to help or would like to give us some feedback, please attend the next CHCA General Meeting on December 21st 2009.



Fall Garage Sale

11 houses participated in this year's Fall Garage Sale.

Several great successes were reported: a boat was sold & another who hadn't had a garage sale in 17 years really cleaned up, cleared out & kept a nice bit of loot.

While it rained on Friday, that did not stop the people from coming in droves & Saturday's traffic was still very steady. We had about 15 inquiries from Craigslist & a map of which houses were participating was made available online (CHCA Members only).

Special thanks to Mary Cichon who painstakingly made posters for street corners. They'll be kept for garage sales of the future!

CHCA General Meeting

The 4th Quarter 2009 CHCA General Meeting has been scheduled for December 21st, 2009 at 7pm at the Pickerington Public Library. Plan on joining us at the meeting for our 2010 Winter and Spring committee planning.

Due to a scheduling issue, this was the only opportunity for us to have this meeting. The library hours requires us to conclude our meeting at 8pm, so this meeting will start at 7pm sharp.

