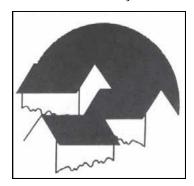
Maize Morse Tri-Area Community News

Supporting the communities of Maize Meadows, Baby Farms and Moors and Dales

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BLOCK WATCH MEETS

The Maize Morse Tri-Area Civic Association Block Watch will meet on Thursday, June 12, 2008 at 7:00 P.M. at the Maize Road Baptist Church located at 4251 Maize Road.

Our first guest speaker will be Bill Hedrick, 1st. Assistant Prosecuting Attorney for Columbus's Prosecuting Attorney, Richard Pfief-🛍 fer.

Mr. Hedrick will discuss and answer your questions concerning various neighborhood problems; such as, number of cats running aloose, dogs off their leashes, abandoned houses, trash left on property and your other concerns within our neighborhood.

We will also have a speaker to talk about Adena Brook, the stream of water which runs through our neighborhood.

Residents, if you have young children or babysit small children, implease do not let them go into this stream (Adena Brook) because it is very unsafe for anyone. This water is a run off from all the prop-🏫erties that border this stream. People throw trash, animal droppings 🏫 வ்oil/grease, soap suds and yard waste. Your child/children may be-வ ♠ come very ill and/or may die due to the items found in this stream of ♠

Everyone please plan to attend and gain knowledge about the laws and/or restrictions set by our city

Also, if you would like to provide some type of refreshments, please call Ruby Hackett at 267-2068.

Community Calendar of Events

June 9 —7 pm MMTACA Board open meeting, Trinity Church of Christ

June 12 —7 pm Block Watch meeting, Maize Road Baptist

June - Morse Road Cleanup (check webpage)

July 4— 9 am Northland Fourth of July Parade (p. 7)

July 22—Neighborhood Beautification judging

August 5 - National Night Out

August 11 —7 pm MMTACA Board open meeting, Trinity Church of Christ

August 12—NCC Picnic

August 20—Volunteer Appreciation Picnic

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Adena Brook

Making its grand appearance behind Brookhaven High School, winding through our quiet streets, crossing over both Indianola Avenue and High Street before emptying into the Olentangy River, the Adena Brook is a peaceful and beautiful addition to the Maize Morse Tri-Area. Aside from providing a wildlife refuge for many animals in our neighborhood, it also adds to property appeal and sustains several species of native plant life.



In 2002, the Secretary of State officially recognized the **Adena Brook Community** and the community has worked nonstop to conserve the integrity of the brook. Working from their guiding motto, "Biodiversity, Clean Water, Safe, Litter Free," the Adena Brook Community operates monthly clean ups and a very informative website.



As neighbors co-existing with this neighborhood landmark, we need to do our part to aid in the conservation of Adena Brook. Conservation efforts can be simple. Educate yourself on the types of plants native to the brook; some native plants include the Ohio Buckeye, the Flowering Dogwood, the Red Oak and the Sycamore tree. Invasive plants to the brook include English Ivy Vine and Garlic Mustard. Pick up your trash and lawn clippings, 50 percent of the litter clogging up our waterway is blown into it from items we carelessly drop or neglect to clean up. The third simple thing you can do to help conserve the brook is the simplest of all, refrain from entering the water. We carry germs and unnatural products into the brook that are not part of its self-sustaining ecosystem. Not only is it harmful to the ecosystem, it could be harmful to us; you could fall on unseen rock or contract bacteria.

For anyone interested in more information on the Adena Brook, you can contact Susan Barrett at <u>susan-barrett@columbus.rr.com</u> or visit our website for a link to <u>www.adenabrook.org</u>. Please respect our water and wildlife, encourage your children to stay out of the brook and enjoy the wildlife from a safe distance.



Beautification Awards

Summer brings with it the annual **Beautification Awards**. It's time to trim those bushes and plant those flowers because the **week of July 22** members of the civic association will be making their rounds through the neighborhood to select

this year's winners. One winner and one runner-up from the **paid members** in MMTACA will be selected from each of the three neighborhood areas. Homes are judged on theme, color, cut and effort. Each winner is eligible to win again in three years. This gives everyone a chance to bring home the big money. Each winner receives a certificate and \$25.

Are you interested in being on the Beautification Committee to help judge the front gardens? Anyone have extra **perennials or annuals** this year? We could do the flower exchange at the **Block Watch** meeting on June 12.

Please send an email to **MMTACA@yahoo.com** or call Roseann Hicks at 267-5008 if interested.



Signs are Litter!

According to Columbus City Code Enforcement, signs posted on streetlights, utility poles or any other structure in

the right-of-way is against the law. Please be mindful not to post anything in these areas. If you have a lost pet or a special message to share with neighbors, we would love the opportunity to print that in our newsletter for you, after all, it is YOUR neighborhood

newsletter. Yard Sale signs are permitted as long as they are promptly removed. Please contact the editor if you are interested in publishing an article in the newsletter at mmtaca@yahoo.com.



Northland Village Update





In April, the MMTACA Block Watch hosted an informative meeting with Mark Froelich, CEO of the Urban Growth Corporation and Mo Dion, Principle of the Stonehenge Company. Urban Growth, as you may remember purchased the Northland Mall site about five years ago and Stonehenge is the family-owned Columbus-based company chosen to direct the redevelopment of the site. Both gentlemen have strong ties to the Northland area and both gentlemen share the vision for Northland Village as a "Destination Point." You might ask what is a "destination point?" Why does Northland need to be a "destination point?" You might be wondering why can't Northland just be what is used to be?

First let me answer the "what is it" question. A "destination point," as defined by the **vision for Northland Village**, is a collection of stores, community services and entertainment that cannot be found in other parts of Columbus or Franklin County. **Menard**'s purchased 16 acres of the site, making the future Northland Village store one of only a handful of central Ohio locations. They are likely not to be located at Easton and Polaris, therefore, making Northland a destination for Menard's shoppers.

Why does it have to a destination point? Northland needs to attract residents from other parts of Columbus into the community to spend their dollars. The money will **stabilize the economy of Northland**. You won't be able to spend the money at another location simply because the locations will not exist.

Why can't Northland just be what it was before? That's simple, because it did not work. If Stonehenge sold out to just another mall with the same stores you could visit at Easton and Polaris, the economy of Northland would crumble down around it because it already exists elsewhere. Northland must redefine itself to achieve stabilization and revitalization. If you use a failed recipe to bake a cake, chances are it might fail again. Northland needs a new recipe for success.

Okay, now that I've prepared you for a change, you're wondering what to expect. According to the information provided at the meeting. Menard's is planning to break ground after the sewer project and the Tamarack Blvd. extension are completed. **The Franklin County Animal Shelter** is in talks to bring a new green facility to the former theatre site. That site is currently owned by Vaud-Villities. **Vaud-Villities** is researching the possibility of moving into part of the former JC Penney building and creating a new theatre that can be seen heading west on Morse Road. The rest of the JC Penney building will most likely be converted into office space. After the anchoring spaces of the site have been redeveloped, they will be leased to develop the center area into **small shops** and eateries. Any plans to change the current location of the police and fire station are being handled by the city. The plan is currently running ahead of schedule.

Mr. Dion and Mr. Froehlich have worked extremely close with neighborhood leadership and continue to approach them before acting on any deals. They truly are keeping the interests of this community close to heart and their dedication to this project is personal. I cannot wait to see their vision realized.



Welcome **Diane Smith** as a new Moors and Dales Area Rep. We always welcome new volunteers. We need 3 more neighbors for Baby Farms. Contact Roseann Hicks at 267-5008 and plan to attend our next Board meeting. Thanks!

Neighborhood Alerts

Dear Neighbors,

Please be on alert for suspicious activity in our neighborhood. Over the past month, I've heard and personally experienced unfavorable activity. I had a gentleman approach my front door at 2:30 am in the morning, he rang the doorbell and having been asleep and not thinking clearly, I unwisely cracked open the door. Thankfully, nothing more happened than him telling me he needed gas money. I declined and closed the door. Eerily, a man by a similar description approached a few neighbors with a comparable story. He stated that his mother had surgery and he needed gas money to go see her. He went on to say that if he could just get a little gas in a can, he could make it to the gas station to buy more. Nevertheless, the man received the gas in one report and neither he nor the can have been seen since. The man was described as mid-40's, light colored hair and driving a silver or gold car. Please take extreme care when approached by people you do not recognize. It is also a good idea to lock your doors and lower your garage door when working outside. If at anytime you are unsure about someone, ask for identification or call the police.

Starting on June 5, the City of Columbus will be testing a new pilot curfew program. Children under the age

Starting on June 5, the City of Columbus will be testing a new pilot curfew program. Children under the age of 13 will need to be inside one hour after dark. According the statistics provided by the City of Columbus, four out of ten violent acts against teens occurred at night and 40 percent of teenage automobile deaths occur between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. If you see young people out past curfew, you can **call the police** at **645-4545**.

These alerts are intended to keep you armed with the information you need to know to keep your family and your home safe. If you experience anything or have any questions, please call me at **267-5008**. Our best defense against crime is knowledge.

Roseann Hicks, President

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DIRECTORIES ARE COMING

The civic association directories are almost ready to be printed. If you have not joined our association this year, please hurry. Only paid members will receive the new directories. If you decide to sell and/or move, please do not leave your directory with the new residents. A lot of this information must be kept within the neighborhood; this is for our protection.

Hurry and pay your \$10.00 for your 2008 membership and the **directory will be free** to each paid member.

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Mayor Michael B. Coleman, the YMCA, local schools and churches, and the Division of Police are working together on a Curfew plan to keep children out of danger, and out of trouble, at night.

Dates: June 5th through August 24th, 2008

Time: Midnight to 6 a.m. Who: Ages 17 & Under

When: Thursdays, Fridays & Saturdays

What happens if my child is picked up after curfew?

- 1st time: Child taken to the Y's Curfew Center. Parent/Guardian must pick up child and later join child for a 3 hour workshop
- 2nd time: Child may have to participate in community service
- 3rd time: Child may be charged with a violation of curfew and parent/ guardian may be charged with parental neglect (3rd degree misdemeanors)

Help keep our kids and our neighborhoods safe!

Please, make sure your child is home after midnight.

If you would like to report a child violating curfew on Thursday, Friday or Saturday after midnight, call 645-4545





For more information, please contact our City information line at: 311 or 614-645-3111







CITY CODE VIOLATIONS

Did you know we have code regulations in all of Columbus? To help you better understand them, we have given up you some of the more important ones that are being violated. We have several new residents who have moved into our neighborhood and they may not be aware of these regulations. Be a good neighbor and help them to feel welcome and explain any code violation(s) to them.

- 1. No fences over 6 ft. high. None in front of home without permit. They can not be located in a vision clearance area.
- 2. Commercial vehicles are prohibited on residential property. There is no time frame for parking, only time required to deliver service for goods.
- 3. Boats, trailers, recreational vehicles may not be parked or stored in driveway or in the set back (front lawn).
- 4. Gravel as a parking surface is prohibited.
- 5. Parking vehicles on grass or gravel is not allowed.
- 6. Inoperable vehicles prohibited.
- 7. Sheds can not exceed 168 sq. ft. and can not be located in front of home facing street.
- 8. You can not alter, change or modify driveways to accommodate additional space without a variance.
- 9. You can not change a garage to accommodate additional living space without a building permit and variance.
- 10. Garage sales: 2 per year and not to exceed 4 days.
- 11. Code enforcement will write orders for compliance of weeds, grass, trash debris, dead and dying trees.
- 12. TRASH CANS: Residents must remove waste containers (garage cans) within 24 hours of the collection and store them until 12 hours prior to next scheduled collection.
- 13. BULK PICK-UP: It is the duty of each resident to call refuse collection division of the need for bulk pick up. (PLEASE DON'T SET ITEMS OUT BY THE CURB AND LEAVE THEM.)
- 14. BUNDLES: Sticks, limbs, carpet and etc. Must be tied and not to exceed 4 ft. in length and 2 ft. diameter and not weigh more than 50 lbs.
- 15. No person shall allow the house, kennel, runs yards or other premises where dogs, cats or other small animals are kept to become offensive due to unsanitary conditions.
- 16. DOGS MUST BE ON A LEASH AT ALL TIMES WHEN OUTSIDE. Owners must clean up after the pet(s) while walking through the neighborhood.
- 17. No carts, crates or carriers are allowed on lawns or driveways.
- 18. NO VEHICLES ARE TO BE REPAIRED ON PERSONAL PROPERTY UNLESS THE VEHICLE(S) BELONG TO THE OWNER OF THE PROPERY.
- 19. Parking prohibited for displaying vehicle(s) for sale on street and/or lawn.
- 20. No parking on sidewalks or within 10 ft. of a fire hydrant.
- 21. All vehicles must be operable (no flats) when parked on street or driveways.
- 22. BOATS, TRAILERS OR RECREATIONAL VEHICLES MAY NOT BE PARKED ON DRIVEWAY.

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Northland Community Fourth of July Parade

The NCC is beginning to work on this year's annual Fourth of July Parade. If you are interested in being in the parade this year, click on the MMTACA website for a copy of the Parade Application.

If you would like to join the Parade Committee and help us put it on this year, please contact **Charlene Combs** at **(614) 738-0617** or at NCCParade2008@fpcivic.org



The Parade theme this year is: Celebrating Children.



The grand marshall this year is **Yvette McGee Brown**

Deadline for entry of floats is **June 20, 2008**

The newsletter is available on the website in color! Please email **mmtaca@yahoo.com** if you would like to receive an electronic version of the newsletter.

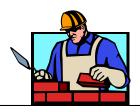
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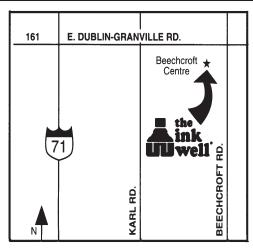
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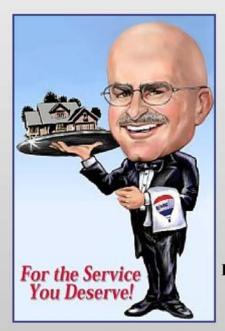


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