



2018

Issue 4

The President's Message

The weather is starting to turn cold, and soon we will be shoveling snow, if we haven't had to do so by the time you read this. I like the winter, and I enjoy shoveling snow. With the change of seasons of course comes the holiday seasons. I am looking forward to our next event which is Santa in the Park on December 8 at 1:00 P.M. Please have your children come early to see Santa.

Also, with the New Year coming up, we will be looking for more volunteers to help out with our various activities for the next year. If there is any activity you wish to help with, let us know. Volunteers are what makes our activities happen, and we can always use more help. The more people we have to help out, the more activities we can do.

I would also like to thank everyone who has helped out this year, whether it was at the children's events, the Fourth of July picnic, delivering "The Railsplitter" or just paying your dues. All of these things help make the LVRA work.

Finally, I want to wish everyone Happy Holidays, and hope that you all have a good year to come.

Alan Dormire

Upcoming Events

Santa in the Park ~ December 8th 1-2:30pm

*Have a safe and happy holiday
season, from all of us at LVRA*

Where We Live

Santa in the Park *Dec. 8th 1:00-2:30pm*

Our Christmas tradition continues! Santa will be in the park. So bring your kids and enjoy a party. Each kid will receive a free toy and a candy cane. We will be serving cupcakes, cookies, and hot chocolate with marshmallows.

The time is 1:00 to 2:30, but if it's bitter cold like last year, we will be 1:00 to 2:00. So come on down and have fun!

Mary and
Jim Meyer



Did You Know?

- Everyone's water bill is high. Here are some facts about water usage:
- Dishwashers on average use 6 gallons of water per cycle, while Energy Star dishwashers use 4 gallons.
- Toilets built before 1982 use 5 to 7 gallons every flush. Newer toilets use 1.6 gallons every flush.
- Standard washing machines use about 23 gallons of water per load. Older washing machines use 40-50 gallons per load.
- The average family of 4 uses 400 gallons of water a day.

The township trustees are currently working with Franklin County to reduce the water bills. Also, please attend the bi-weekly Township meetings that are on Wednesdays.

*****Please Note*****

Thank you to those of you who have mailed your membership dues to LVRA. Let's make an effort to get \$3000.00 for the year. Just a reminder, we also accept dues from those of you who rent. These dues are used to help with the cost of the publication of the Railsplitter and activities we sponsor in Carl Frye Park. We would also like to start giving the \$500 scholarship again from LVRA to a deserving student who lives in Lincoln village and attends SWCS. We very much wish to continue these community events and appreciate your help. Please fill out the form below and send it in along with your payment as soon as possible, or visit www.LincolnVillage.com to pay from the comfort of your home.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Our annual membership drive is underway. You can mail the form below along with you annual dues of \$12.00 per household. (\$10.00 for Golden Buckeye members.) By joining the association you help support many activities in the Village. For example, it enables us to continue the publication of the Railsplitter, our Easter Egg Hunt, the July 4th celebration and several other events and contest throughout the year.

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Witness Program, Business Memberships Close Block Watch's Year

By David Donofrio, Co-Founder

The Greater Lincoln Village Area Block Watch hosted its third annual Effective Witness Program in October at the Prairie Township Fire Department, and it had the highest turnout of any of the programs thus far, including many new attendees.

Lead by Franklin County Sheriff's Office Deputy Erica Russell, the free program walked residents through scenarios by beginning with examining our intrinsic biases, which could affect how we respond to/report a potential crime. It also taught residents how to use an Effective Witness form, which we've reprinted in this issue for your use on the next page. **Please make copies of this form**, and use it if there is ever a situation which may be a cause for concern. Keep the forms if you may need to use them, making note of unusual vehicles or activity on your street. Then you can refer to these if anything ends up actually being a crime.

Our Block Watch also sent out letters to the over 160 businesses in our coverage area asking them to become founding business members. We are pleased to report that many businesses have begun to respond to the call. If you own a business that is interested in the safety of our neighborhood, or know of one, please ask them to become a Block Watch member. They will receive a cling-on round block watch logo for their window and a welcome package from us as a thank you.

Keep Your Presents Safe

Finally, as the holiday season is upon us, please keep in mind these helpful tips to keep your package deliveries safe, courtesy of ADT:

- Consider having packages delivered to your

work instead of your home.

- Schedule delivery times for when you will be home.
- Let a neighbor know that you're expecting a delivery – perhaps they can take it inside for you.
- Package Guard – this service uses a weighted scale to keep track of your packages, and sounds an alarm if they are unexpectedly removed, including to an app on your phone.
- Require a signature – this extra insurance ensures that you won't have packages piling up at your door.
- Monitor your front porch. Security cameras or video doorbells can be used to keep an eye on your packages, deterring thieves from grabbing them off of your property

Source: <https://www.protectyourhome.com/blog/burglary-and-crime/how-to-prevent-package-theft>



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**Franklin County Sheriff's Office
Community Relations**

Witness Form



Offender Information:

☐ Male ☐ Female

Height: _____

Weight: _____

Eye Color: _____

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Hair Length: _____

Facial Hair: _____

☐ White ☐ Black ☐ Hispanic ☐ Asian

☐ Other _____

Vehicle Information:

☐ Car ☐ Truck ☐ SUV ☐ Mini Van

☐ Other _____

Make: _____

Model: _____

License Plate: _____

Damage: _____

**Franklin County Sheriff's Office Non-Emergency Line:
614-525-3333**

Want to Help?

- **We are always looking for people to help with this paper or LVRA in general. If you have suggestions for this paper, please email rladinal9@gmail.com If you want to participate with the LVRA, LVRA holds monthly meetings on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 pm at the National Church Residences on Eastham Way.**
- **Like us on Facebook! Facebook is the quickest way we have to communicate with our residents, and we have lots of great information about the community that you can receive at your fingertips each day. Go to Facebook and type in "Lincoln Village Residents Association" today!**
- **We are looking for an assistant editor for the Railsplitter. They must have experience with Microsoft Office, especially Word and Publisher. Please email rladinal9@gmail.com or call 614-315-8817**

ATTENTION HOMEOWNERS

- If your neighbor doesn't keep their grass mowed, as well as having trash and debris on the property, call the Township Hall at 614-878-3317. Listen to the prompts and push 4 for zoning, then leave a message.
- If you have furniture that you don't need anymore, please call the Furniture Bank of Central Ohio. They will come and pick up your furniture; there is no need to leave furniture on the curb. Some people can certainly use these items!
- For your street lights that burn out, you can also call the township number above and push 2 for the road department and leave a message so that they can notify AEP. You will need to provide the address.

2018 Events Calendar

-Santa in the Park: December 8th 1-2:30 pm in Carl Frye Park



Please pay your membership dues for 2018 to help support these events. These dates have been selected but are subject to change in case of bad weather. We would also like you to consider supporting the local businesses that donate items for our events.



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Halloween in the Park

By Jim and Mary Meyer

We had many kids in costumes, for the annual Halloween in the Park.

We had a scavenger hunt with Halloween items hidden in the bushes. Each kid got a list of Halloween items to find and turn in. Who ever found the most items won a prize.

There was a mummy wrap. Two adults were mummies. There were two teams of kids. They each took a turn wrapping the mummy. First team that was done won a prize.

We played a new game this year called pass the Scarecrow. The game was similar to musical chairs. The scarecrow was about four feet tall. It was bigger than some of the kids. When the music stopped the kid with the scarecrow was out. It went on until one kid was left.

There was a pumpkin roll. Two teams and they rolled it to a line and back. The first team finish wins. The next game the kids really love was a piñata. Each kid hit it harder and harder until it broke. Then they all dove to ground and gathered candy..

The cookies were frosted and decorated by each kid, a little messy, but they love it.

For the adults and kids a container of candy and they guessed how many pieces of candy were in. The total was 1195. Top number guess was 660.

There was a pumpkin and people guess the weight of the pumpkin. We also served cookies, cider and punch. .

The next event is Santa in the Park Dec. 8th. from 1:00 to 2:30 pm. Hope to see you there.

Pictures of Halloween in the Park



Prairie Township Reference Directory

Prairie Township Trustee Office:
614-878-3317

Prairie Township Fire Dept.:
614-878-4571

Franklin County Sheriff:
614-525-3333

Lincoln Village Block Watch:
614-500-9497

Prairie Township Community Center:
614-907-7990

Official Website:
www.LincolnVillage.com

Facebook:
"Lincoln Village Residents Association"

SERVICES:

Social Security Office
1-800-772-1213

Veterans Service Commission
614-308-1384

Animal Control
614-525-4385

COTA
614-228-1776

Franklin County Dept of Aging
614-525-5230

The 2018 Leaf Program: Lincoln Village North is in area 1 of the 9 areas the township services as far as for leaf pick up. Area 1 is the biggest area of the 9 areas. The 2018 Leaf Program will continue until the week of DECEMBER 3 2018. Please remember these trucks we use for leaf pick up are the same ones we use for snow and ice control. All of this is weather permitting, we may have to remove the leaf equipment and put snow and ice control equipment on the truck if we have a weather event that warrants that. If that happens we will put the leaf equipment back on the trucks and continue leaf pick up after the snow and ice event. Please continue to check the website for updates. www.prairietownship.org

Winter 2018/2019: The township trustees are proud to provide a snow and ice removal service to their residents. During a snow and ice event the road department request the residents try and remove their vehicles from the road to allow us to completely clear the road. The township has approximately 60 miles of roads to maintain in the winter with three trucks, so please be patient and we will get to all of our roads as quickly and safely as possible. If you have any questions about the townships snow and ice removal you can call the road department at 614-878-3316 or contact us via e-mail dmcaninch@prairietownship.org

- **2018 Christmas Tree Recycling Program:** The township road department will collect your Christmas tree. Dates for automatic pickup will be Dec. 27, 2018, Jan. 3, 2019 and Jan. 10, 2019. Other-wise please schedule pickup with the road department. Please remove all decorations and remove any wrapping paper or bags. The trees must be placed at the curb.

Curbside Chipping Program: This service is offered year round. Please check the township website for guidelines. To schedule curbside chipping please call the road department at 614-878-3316 or by e-mail dmcaninch@prairietownship.org or through the township website www.prairietownship.org.

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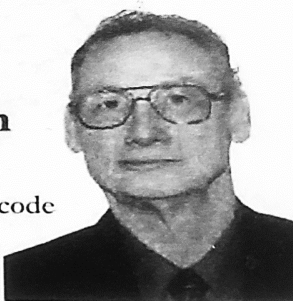
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