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REMINDER!

The Pleasant Run Farms Civic Association will hold a meeting on Thursday, September 30th. This meeting is open to all residents of Pleasant Run Farms. We will meet in the library at Welch Elementary at 7:30 pm. See you there!

Kim Marwehe, PRFCA Secretary



Hello Residents

Thank you to all of our residents who have joined the Civic Association and continue to support the programs that make Pleasant Run Farms a community of “neighbors.” With your dues, we have been able to provide a membership card which gives you discounts with local businesses, a 4th of July Parade, a Landscape Contest, a scholarship for community high school seniors, block parties and a monthly neighborhood newspaper (the PRF Memo). We also have a continuing relationship with Springfield Township to share your concerns and neighborhood issues. Unfortunately, over the years, the number of families who join our organization has dwindled. The membership dues drive most of what the Civic Association is able to accomplish. In particular, the costs of producing the Memo each month is a continuous drain the our small budget. Many people I’ve spoken with think about joining, but just never get around to it for one reason or another. Please take a moment to consider the value of your PRF Civic Association and join this month to help sustain our programs. While thinking about membership, remember that we are getting the Street Representative Program going again. If you have any interest in becoming more involved in our community, please contact me.

Maureen Cleary, Membership, Email: celticcore915@yahoo.com ; Phone: 742-1694

The PRF Dolphins are the Champions of the BCSL small team division!

The swim team hosted the Butler County Swim League Championships at Rolling Hill Swim Club July 21 & 22. The Dolphins also won age group high point awards in the boys 8 & under division, girls and boys 9-10 age group, 11-12 girls and boys and the 15-18 boys divisions. Bailey Peters set a league record in the 9-10 boys 25 meter butterfly. Congratulations to all the swimmers who competed!



Good luck to our senior swimmers Jon Schlacta and Alex Klei, we wish you the best! Thank you for your years of participation in the swim team.

The swim team parents really stepped up and ran a very successful swim meet. A special thanks to Marci Jesson and Stacy Tepe our meet managers. Many volunteer hours were put into this event, so thank you to all who volunteered. A thank you to Monica Lewis our announcer at Championships, you have a great voice. Also, thank you to Charlotte Henry and Nicole Emerson, our concession chairs for the championships and all of the home swim meets. Thank you to Diane Valentine our volunteer coordinator for the officials and timers, you did a great job. Thank you to Wendy Puccini, our swim team commissioner, you did a wonderful job the last couple of years, we will miss you!

Thank you to Receptions and Dan Goebel for all the food and ice donations! And to Chris Tepe for a delicious catered lunch for the officials and coaches.

This season was a huge success. Thank you to all the parents, grandparents, families, friends and the wonderful PRF Dolphin swimmers!

Tonya Klei

ATTENTION! LOST CAT! Missing from her PRF Home since August 11, 2010. Owners are heartbroken. Please, if found contact: Jane DeSelms 513-825-6039. The cat, named Tiger, has yellow long hair and yellow eyes. She weights 15 lbs. Reward for her return!!

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**Memo Deadline for
Advertisements and Articles
Wednesday, September 22, 2010**

The next Memo Delivery will occur on the weekend of October 2, 2010. The memo will be available on the website, www.pleasantrunfarms.org, by September 30, 2010. If you would like to **place an ad in** or **contribute an article to** the Memo, please contact Venita Vivians, Memo Editor, at 825-8756 or vvivians@prodigy.net. If you have any problems with **receiving** your Memo, please contact Susan Scheib at 931-3508.

The Memo and the PRF Civic Association reserve the right to refuse any content. Letters to the editor will be published only with the authors name. Any comments, suggestions, or new contributors are welcome.

PRFCA Membership Applications are available in this memo and on the website listed below or by calling our Membership Chairperson listed above.

Dues are \$25 a year.

Check out the website below for additional news and community information.

www.pleasantrunfarms.org

Community Activities

What's Happened...

Not much since the last memo, so...

What's Next...

Adult Pool Party (Given the timing of the memo, sorry if you missed this, but for those reading this online...)

It's been a HOT Summer! Cool off at the Next Adult Pool Party on Friday, August 27th from 8:30PM to Midnight. \$3.00 per person and please bring a dish to share as well as any beverages you wish to consume. Water Volleyball, Cornhole, and Hillbilly Golf will also be available along with community friends to converse. Come out and give Summer 2010 a proper send off!

Family Field Day Rescheduled to September 18th 1 PM -4 PM Clifford George Field (Tentative to RSVP's and weather permitting)

We only received 4 RSVP's for the August date, and I'm thinking the heat of the summer made everyone think that an outdoor activity was a crazy thought! September will be cooler! Come enjoy the fun!

Whoever said it has to be the last day of school to cut loose?! If the interest exists and the weather cooperates, we'll be hosting a Family Field day at Clifford George including: Cornhole, Hillbilly Golf, Water Balloon and Egg Toss, Tug of War, Tricycle Races, and other "old school" favorites!

This event is open to all residents of Pleasant Run Farms!

Take the opportunity to meet your neighbors and enjoy some fun filled competition.

We will provide Hot Dogs, Lemonade and water, Snow cones, and Popcorn.

We ask that participants bring:

Last names A-M, snack or side dish

Last names N-Z, dessert

Please RSVP by September 10th to Ed or Mandy McNett at 674-7456 or ahenzmann@cinci.rr.com.

Halloween Social

Why should kids have all the fun this Halloween? Time for the adults to do some trick or treating! Get your costume ready as the St. John Neumann Church is hosting an Adult Halloween Social on Saturday, October 23rd, from 7pm – 12 am in Daniel Hall. The Church will provide the music, soda, beer, light snacks, a hay ride through the PRF community, and other activities. The cost is \$20.00 per person, \$35.00 per couple. They ask that attendees bring a dish to share and wear your costume to enhance the fun of the event.

Other Suggestions?

As the Community Activities Director Position is still open, the PRFCA Board is attempting to maintain the events that have occurred in the recent past that have been able to instigate community involvement and friendship amongst the residents. My question to you as residents of Pleasant Run Farms is "What are we missing?" Send your suggestions to us! Ed or Mandy McNett at 674-7456 or ahenzmann@cinci.rr.com.

Pleasant Run Farms Civic Association Needs You

The President's position has recently become vacant. This leadership role in our civic association presides over all meetings of the Association and the Executive Committee. If you enjoy interacting with a fun group of hard-working people that are invested in the welfare of our neighborhood, you are perfect for this position. Leadership positions such as this help all of us to grow and hone our skills.



Please contact a current board member if you are interested in becoming our Pleasant Run Farms Civic Association President. We look forward to hearing from you. Experience not required. The September PRFCA meeting is a great opportunity to see how this position and the board function. The meeting is Thursday, September 30th, 7:30 pm at Welch Elementary School's library.



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WIIFM

An interesting acronym I learned at a commencement speech. Pronounced Whif-fum, it stands for “What’s in it for me?” While quite the self serving phrase, it is a truth to human nature. As we spend our time or our money, it is the question to be answered and, frankly, is a fair question. As such, it is only fair that as Treasurer of this Association that I explain how your \$25 Civic Association membership dues are currently utilized. I will then delve into the benefits you and the community can realize through your households \$25 investment.

This year, we have close to 165 members in the Civic Association (12% of the community, and we thank each and every one of you!) which amounts to Income of \$4,125. The primary expense incurred on a monthly basis is printing and distributing the PRF Memo. This expense is partially offset by the advertising in the Memo, but essentially it costs us around \$300.00 per month, for an annual total of around \$3,600. In addition, for this year, we will spend around \$1,200 for insurance of the Green Belt, \$500 for the Scholarship, \$300 for Community Activities (Parade, Block Party, Landscape Contest), and \$200 on Office Supplies for the Board. As you can tell, our current membership level is covering the cost of the Memo and a part of the insurance. We are fortunate to have funds from prior years that have allowed us to carry the additional expenses for 2010.

At this point, the Civic Association Members receive a Discount card to these local establishments:

Papa John’s Pizza (Kemper), 25% off regular menu price; **Skyline Chili (Kemper Meadow)**, 10% off order (Dine In Only); **Family Video (Pleasant)**, Free \$1 rental w/new release rental; **Lakeview Nursery**, 10% off regularly priced item; **Fairfield Lanes**, Bowl 2 games-get 1 free; **Midwest Cleaners**, 50% off dry cleaning - \$5 max.; **The Dip**, 10% off; **Izzy’s (Smiley Ave)**, \$1 off Whole Sandwich; **Can-cun’s**, \$5 off 2 dinner entrees, \$3 off 2 lunch entrees

There is also a reduction on fees for Pool Membership, the ability to sign up for our youth Athletic programs, a discount on Garage Sale Registration, and most importantly, the ability to vote on issues and members of the Board.

This may not seem like much, but with the discounts offered to local establishments that you likely already patronize, you can easily get a return on your investment within a year. Along with this, you have the ability to have a dramatic impact on this community and steer it in a direction that is for the greater good of you, your family, and the neighborhood at large. It is a fraction of the expense of a typical home owner’s association and the zoning restrictions and laws of Springfield Township already ensure a neighborhood free of nuisances, when properly reported, followed up, and enforced (every PRF Resident has the right to report zoning violations, whether a member of the Association or not).

An increase in our membership would allow for a vast benefit to our community. We need around 250 members to “break even” on the expenses shown above. This means that we need close to 20% of the community to continue to operate as we are currently (Our goal is always 100%, even if it is a stretch). Every Member over 250 is another \$25 that we can use to enhance the place that you live. Clifford George Field and Green Belt improvements, enhancements and additions to community activities, Community Outreach initiatives, the list is endless and, as a member, your voice will be heard, and if decided that it pertains to the greater good of the community and residents, it will be enacted.

As residents of this community, you are empowered through Civic Association Membership to have a direct impact on the place that you call home. That is *what is in it for you!* Please consider joining the Civic Association for \$25 per household and help us, through your contribution and opinions, maintain and enhance the place that we call home.

Ed McNett, PRFCA Treasurer

NORTHWEST GRAD EARNS DESIGN AWARD

Northwest graduate Sam Gustafson recently won the 2010 diabetesmine.com contest for product design. Sam is a student at the University of Cincinnati. There were more than 130 unique submissions to the DiabetesMine Design Challenge from students from various universities around the world as well as several professional designers and entrepreneurs. The products were rated on being a “great design” as well as “innovative”. There were three Grand Prize winners. The prize package included \$7,000 in cash, complementary consulting with design health & wellness experts and free access to the October 2010 Health 2.0 Conference.



Sam’s product is called “Finn the Glucose Fish”. According to the website below, Finn is a bright and appealing PlaySkool-like glucose monitor for small children. The design has big, easy buttons and oh-so-cute matching nautical case. Finn the Glucose Fish is a clever practical solution to the problem of how to make glucose testing more appealing to children. The judges saw the design as a basis for a full platform of products that could engage children with a variety of characters and ever-new interactive features.

You can see her winning entry at the following link: <http://www.scribd.com/doc/30765553/Finn-the-glucose-fish>

For the full award announcement see link: <http://www.diabetesmine.com/2010/06/announcing-the-winners-of-the-2010-diabetesmine-design-challenge.html>

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Please note your personal information including e-mail address is only used by the PRFCA to contact you regarding events and issues that pertain to our community. We respect your privacy and do not distribute, sell or trade any of your personal information.

Household Member	Birth month/day	Adult/Child

The success of the Civic Association largely depends on volunteers in the community. Volunteers play an integral role in keeping programs in existence and running smoothly. Please check if you are willing to help with any of the following programs and the respective Board Member may contact you for assistance.

Spring Activities _____ Scholarship Committee _____ Sports _____ Neighborhood Watch _____
 Summer Activities _____ Landscaping _____ Other: _____
 Winter Activities _____ Memo _____ Where needed _____
 Fall Activities _____ Welcome Committee (Membership) _____ Walk/Jog Club _____

We publish members anniversary (years living in PRF) and birthdays in the Memo. Please indicate your preference below:

I do want household member's anniversary and birthdays published in the Memo.

I do not want household anniversary and birthdays published in the Memo.

If you have a child and he/she participates in sports, you must be a member. Annual 2010 Membership fee: \$25.00. Please return this completed form with your check. Please make your check payable to PRFCA and mail or drop off to: Maureen Cleary, 11906 Elmgrove Circle, Cincinnati, Ohio 45240.

If you have any questions, please call Maureen Cleary at (513) 742-1694 or via e-mail at Celticcore915@yahoo.com

Please check out the PRFCA website at pleasantrunfarms.org. We are also on Facebook under Pleasant Run Farms Civic Association. Please give your comments and upload any pictures which involves the Farms. Please become a fan or join the group! Thank you for your support!

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Paul & Roxana Turner ~~~~~1999 ~~~~~ 11 years

Marc & Krista Ferguson ~~~~~2000 ~~~~~ 10 years

Kerry & Donna Carroll ~~~~~2002 ~~~~~ 8 years

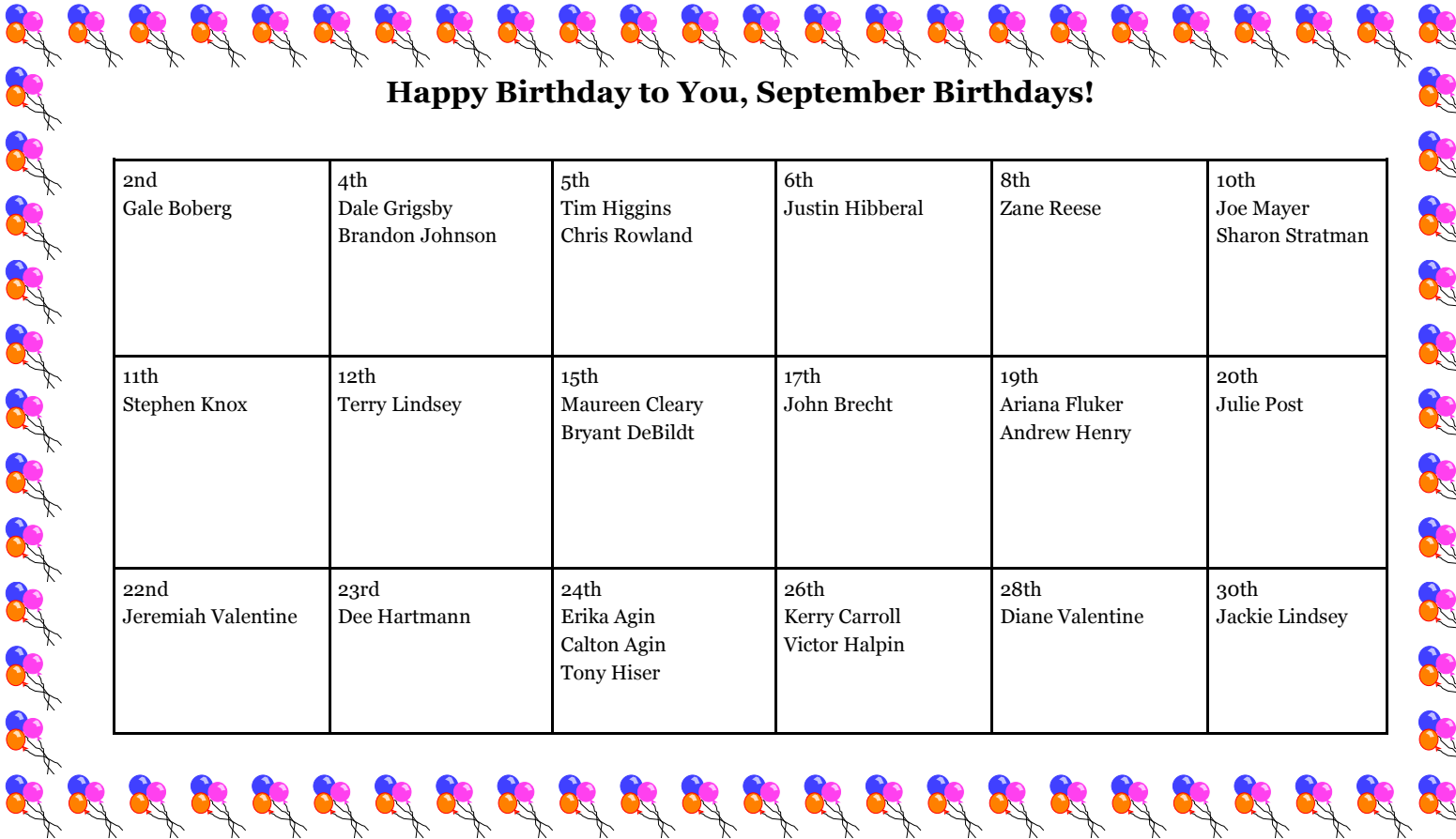
Ronald & Angelica Wilkins ~~~~~2003 ~~~~~ 7 years

Doug & Julie Gillum ~~~~~2004 ~~~~~ 6 years

Ben & Jackie Veite ~~~~~2006 ~~~~~ 4 years

Thomas & Ellen Sue Fisher ~~~~~2009 ~~~~~ 1 years

Happy Birthday to You, September Birthdays!



2nd Gale Boberg	4th Dale Grigsby Brandon Johnson	5th Tim Higgins Chris Rowland	6th Justin Hibberal	8th Zane Reese	10th Joe Mayer Sharon Stratman
11th Stephen Knox	12th Terry Lindsey	15th Maureen Cleary Bryant DeBildt	17th John Brecht	19th Ariana Fluker Andrew Henry	20th Julie Post
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