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PRFCA 2020 Membership Renewal:

It's the beginning of the year and its time for all of us to renew our annual membership in the PRF Civic Association for 2020. Membership is only \$30 and if you're a senior \$27.

This small membership fee supports all the activities provided by the PRF Civic Association, including fun community events like the Luminairia, Fourth of July Parade, and Easter Egg Hunt. We work as the Farms liaison with Springfield Township on all kinds of things like road maintenance, funding for the Farms, safety and others. We also operate the PRF Swim Club; coordinate an athletics program and maintain the ball fields at Clifford George Park. We publish the monthly PRF Memo Newsletter and work to enhance the look of the Farms. The Civic Association is run by all dedicated volunteers. If you're interested in helping our community, we'd love to have you join us. But please, remember to send in your membership forms. You can find a Membership Form in this Memo. And if you're not a member, this is the perfect time to join. It's really important for all of us to actively support our community to keep it vibrant and thriving.

Hi Neighbor!

President's Update



Important Message

As we begin the New Year, its time for all of us to renew our annual membership in the PRF Civic Association for 2020. Membership is only \$30 and if you're a senior only \$27. This small membership fee supports all the activities provided by the PRF Civic Association throughout the year. Your membership in the PRFCA helps to keep Pleasant Run Farms a vibrant and thriving community.

We have 3 important PRFCA Board of Director positions open this year. These are critical positions in keeping the Civic Association a viable force in the Farms. The openings include Membership Director, Communications Director and Community Activities Director. If you'd like to help keep the Farms a vibrant place to live and work with a great group of people one of these positions may be perfect for you. Give me a call and lets talk about it.

We want to thank Lieutenant Neihaus from the Springfield Township Police Department for joining us at our Annual General Meeting in January and talking with us about safety in the Farms. Importantly, he indicated that the Farms has little crime. The only real issue seems to be car burglaries, which he said can be reduced if visible possessions aren't left in cars.

Randy Chanault, Constituent Liaison for Congressmen Steve Chabot also spoke with us at the Annual General Meeting. He discussed the services that Congressman Chabot can provide for us which included expediting passports and assisting with social security issues. If you have any questions you can call Randy at 513-684-2723.

You can watch a video of the January General meeting at www.pleasantrunfarms.org.

The Welch Residential Project is moving forward. The survey documents and development plans were expected to be completed by the end of January. At that point the developer planned to begin closing on the property with the NWLSD. They anticipate site work starting in March/April with infrastructure completed in 90 to 120 days. Maronda Homes will be the homebuilder.

The asphalt repairs on Elkwood Dr. should begin in April. The repairs will include a 4 ft. strip of asphalt down each side of Elkwood between John Gray Rd. and Deerhorn Dr. Major repair of the street will be scheduled sometime after the Welch Residential Project has been completed.

As I've indicated, we really need volunteers to help us keep all the Civic Association activities operating. Give me a call and we can explore a fulfilling opportunity for you with the PRFCA. And, don't forget to send in your membership today. We all need to keep Pleasant Run Farms a great place to live.

Best,

Skip Wicklund
President, PRFCA
513-225-4463

Skip Wicklund

PRFCA President

PLEASANT RUN FARMS BOARD OF DIRECTOR OPENINGS

YOU COULD BE THE NEXT DIRECTOR!



The PRF Civic Association is looking for members to fill 3 key Board positions. These are 3 positions that are critical to the Civic Association. Take a look at the following openings and let us know if you'd like to work with us on some exciting projects.

☐ **Community Activities** – This Director coordinates our 3 annual events, the spring Easter Egg Hunt, the Fourth of July Parade and the Holiday in the Farms Christmas celebration. Mary Barerra has coordinated these events for the past 3 years, but this year will manage the PRF Swim Club. These are fun activities that bring all of us in the Farms together. This Director position definitely = Fun.

☐ **Communication** – This Director publishes the PRF Memo Newsletter. The Memo has been an extremely important part of the Farms for over 50 years, providing us with key information on what's happening in our neighborhood. Jalisa Harris has created the Memo issues for the past 2 years. During this time, she designed a new exciting format for the Memo. This year, Jalisa's work has reduced the time she has for the Memo and is causing her to step down from the position. When Jalisa steps down in a couple months, we'll be without the Memo until we have a new Director.

☐ **Membership** – The Membership Director is a critical position for the Civic Association to reach new residents of the Farms and to keep current residents in the loop for all the things that effect everyone living in Pleasant Run. The Membership Director keeps the heart of the Civic Association beating. This Director position is extremely important. Without members the PRFCA doesn't exist. If you enjoy people, this could be the perfect position for you.

We hope that you'll seriously consider volunteering to join us in keeping the Civic Association a viable force for Pleasant Run Farms. Call me and lets talk about these interesting positions. Skip Wicklund 513-225-4463.



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SAVE THE DATE!



Nextdoor website - <https://goo.gl/Eh8As1>



PRF Facebook Page link - <https://goo.gl/g9Z9wB>



Sunday April 5th will be the 2020 Pleasant Run Farms neighborhood Spring Fling and Easter Celebration! We invite all our neighbors, both young and old, to come out and have some fun playing games and socializing. Make sure to keep your eyes open for up-to-date information on the Pleasant Run Farms Civic Association Facebook Page and Nextdoor. If you are interested in volunteering to help with the event or donating items for Raffle baskets or Easter eggs, please contact Mary Barrera at mbarerra@comey.com or 513-678-5011. I hope to see you there!

THANK YOU 2019 PRF Civic Association Volunteers

Communities Activities Mary Barerra - Director
Easter Egg Hunt
Fourth July Parade
Holiday in the Farms
Garage Sale

Swim Club Ed Mayer - Director
Erin Knox - handled concessions & lawn Maintenance
Kevin Puccini – handled plumbing & repairs
Cindy Goldick – oversaw life guards & scheduling
Natalie Winkler – assisted as needed
Karen Miller – Maintained front Pkg lot flower beds

Athletic Program John Buschmann - Director
Matt Heller – Baseball Commissioner
Tim Higgins – Director of T Ball
Rich Wisecarver – Soccer Commissioner
Wendy Puccini – Managed concession stand
Dan O’Brien – Park & Field maintenance

Continued...

Memo Jalisa Harris - Director

Painted Swim Club
Gary Hunn,
Vinny Gray
Mary Barerra
Susan Wicklund
Skip Wicklund

Liaison w/ NWLSD Monica Bowles - Director
Membership Monica Bowles - Director

Secretary Bert Cameron – Director

Wendy Puccini

Vice President Jerome Bouie

President Skip Wicklund



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Springfield Township Arts & Enrichment Council Regular Board Meeting

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Drop in - Senior Cards: Hand, Knee and Foot

Membership Applications are available in this memo and on the website listed below or by calling Skip Wicklund 513-225-4463. Dues are \$30 a calendar year. (\$40 for monthly hard copy memo distribution)

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

Hard Copy Issue Advertising Rates

- Back Full Page \$110
- Regular Full Page \$ 90
- Half Page \$65
- Quarter Page \$25
- Business Card Size Ad \$25
- Classified Ad \$8

Electronic Issue Rates are 1/2 the cost of Hard Copy Issue Rates

Contact Jalisa Harris @ harrisjalisa88@gmail.com to place your Classified or Business Ad.

Today's Recipe
Truffle Cherries
1/3 cup heavy whipping cream
2 tablespoons butter
2 tablespoons sugar
4 ounces semisweet chocolate, chopped
1 jar (8 ounces) maraschino cherries with stems, well drained

COATING:
6 ounces semisweet chocolate, chopped
2 tablespoons shortening

01 In a small saucepan, bring the cream, butter and sugar to a boil, stirring constantly. Remove from the heat; stir in chocolate until melted. Cover and refrigerate for at least 4 hours or until easy to handle.

02 Pat cherries with paper towels until very dry. Shape a teaspoonful of chocolate mixture around each cherry, forming a ball. Cover and refrigerate for 2-3 hours or until firm.

03 In a microwave, melt chocolate and shortening; stir until smooth. Dip cherries until coated; allow excess to drip off. Place on waxed paper to set.



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Springfield Township Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

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Playhouse in the Park-Stuart Little



PRF EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS:

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Bert Cameron (Secretary)

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Jalisa Harris harrisjalisa88@gmail.com (Communications)

Mary Barrera mbarrera@comey.com (Swim Club)

prfswimclub@yahoo.com (Swim Club)

Baseball, softball, and Tball in Pleasant Run Farms in 2020

Now that the Super Bowl has been played. And warmer weather is ahead of us. It's time to start thinking about being outside and playing baseball. Did you know that over 130 kids played baseball and Tball in PRF in 2019? There were kids all ages playing. The 4, 5 and 6 year olds played Tball. In fact, we had enough players register to field 6 teams last spring. They played in our own Pleasant Run Farms Tball league. There were other teams playing in the Northwest Baseball Recreation League. These included kids from 7 years old to young teenagers.

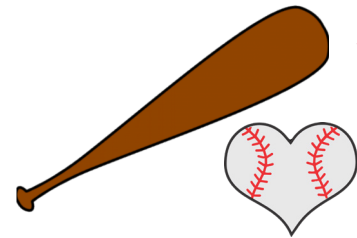


Already we are busy planning for the coming season. Fields will start getting prepared soon. We are ordering some new equipment, including baseballs, bats, hats and uniform shirts. Coaches will start forming the teams and begin practices next month.

Registration has started and Your kids and grandkids can sign up. Everything you need for registering is on our Pleasant Run Farms website. You can register your child at prfarms.org. It's easy and quick. Please remember that there have been times in the past when too many kids tried to register in the same age group. This resulted in some kids not being able to play for Pleasant Run Farms. **DON'T LOSE OUT!** Be sure to register early to ensure your child has a spot on a team.

Join the fun! We'll see you at the ball fields this year.

Matt Heller, PRF Baseball Commissioner



You're a HIT!

Get the Dirt on Backyard Composting!

Article by Springfield Township

Hamilton County Recycling and Solid Waste District brings residents of Hamilton County free classes in composting.

These popular one-hour evening seminars focus on the basics of backyard composting. Participants learn how to balance a compost bin, what materials are compostable, and how to troubleshoot common issues. Hamilton County residents who attend will receive a free kitchen collector, a "Simple Guide to Composting in Your Backyard" booklet, and a \$10 off coupon for a compost bin (while supplies last).



Upcoming Seminars:

March 31 at 6:30 p.m. - Kirby Nature Center, 2 E. Main Street, Addyston, 45001

April 7 at 7 p.m. - Evendale Recreation Center, 10500 Reading Road, Cincinnati, 45241

April 8 at 7 p.m. - California Woods Nature Center, 5400 Kellogg Avenue, Cincinnati, 45230

April 14 at 7 p.m. - REI Rookwood, 2643 Edmondson Road, Cincinnati, 45209

April 15 at 6:30 p.m. - Madeira Municipal Bldg, Centennial Room, Lower Level, 7141 Miami Avenue, Madeira, 45243

April 21 at 6:30 p.m. - Winton Woods Center Auditorium, 10245 Winton Road, Cincinnati, 45231

New this year: Attend a Composting Webinar on April 20 at 7 p.m. or April 21 at 12 p.m.: For more information visit <https://www.springfieldtpw.org/>

A Pool Membership is a Present the Whole Family will LOVE!

I know the weather is getting colder and summer is becoming a distant memory but fear not! Summer will return and it will once again be pool weather! Were your kids going a little crazy with cabin fever over winter break? Wondering how you will keep them entertained all summer break? Well I have a solution!! Join the Pleasant Run Farms Swim Club! Your whole family will thank you!



We have many different membership levels available including a new Senior Membership and Student Membership levels. Join by heading to pleasanrunfarms.org/swim-club or printing off the membership form and mailing it along with a check. We have 10 month payment plans available!

Do you have teens looking for opportunities to make money this summer? We will be starting the process of interviewing for lifeguards and concessions workers this spring. Lifeguard certification classes are offered around the area - spots are filling up, so plan ahead now to get certified!

I am excited to take a more active role in the operation of the pool this year and would love to hear what YOU would like to see offered at the swim club in 2020. We are so lucky to have a neighborhood pool and I look forward to helping it remain viable for years to come! Do not hesitate to call, text or email me anytime!
Mary Barrera - 513-678-5011 - mbarrera@comey.com



Memo Carriers Needed

Pleasant Run Farms is in need of people to help distribute our neighborhood MEMO. Delivering routes take about an hour and are delivered twice per year. Carriers are paid for delivering memos and more importantly provide a valuable service to your community. Carriers should be at least 10 years old. If interested please email Venita Vivians at vvivians@prodigy.net. You can also leave a message at 513-505-0480.

Thank you in advance for helping serve our community.

Venita Vivians
PRF Memo Distribution Coordinator

The Annual PRF Garage Sale is Saturday May 16th from 8:00am-2:00pm. Start going through your closets, basements and garages for all the stuff you don't need anymore. Make some money and clear out your home or go around and get some new (to you) stuff. Be sure to post your address and what you will be selling in the event pages on Facebook and Nextdoor so everyone knows where to get the good stuff! We will have signs put up around the neighborhood to help advertise, but feel free to put some of your own signs up to so people know where to go.



St. John Neumann (corner of Mill and John Gray) will be hosting its annual rummage sale at the same time so be sure to head up there too. They have offered to allow PRF community to drop off unsold items to the St. Vincent de Paul truck to go to a good cause! The truck will be at the church promptly at 2:00pm on Saturday so anything you want to donate will need to be there by then. They don't stick around long.

If you have questions about the event or are not on Facebook and NextDoor email/call **Mary Barrera at mbarrera@comey.com , 513-678-5011.**

Celebration News: Birthdays and Home Anniversaries

Feb 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Resident Anniversaries
26	27	28	29	30	31	1 Mary Bischoff	The Scheib Family 2006
2	3 Marion Gentry	4 Nancy Eichorn	5	6	7	8 Jim Campbell	
9	10 Amy Agin	11	12	13	14	15	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	

Valentine's Day Word Search



- CANDY
- CARDS
- CUPID
- DEAR
- DOVES
- FEBRUARY
- FLOWERS
- FRIENDS
- HEART
- TREATS
- VALENTINE
- SWEETHEART
- RED
- LOVE
- KISS
- PINK
- HUG

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