

The Pleasant Run Farms MEMO
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To the Residents of Pleasant Run Farms,

The Civic Association and your community is in desperate need.

By definition a civic association is a structure which benefits a community. It is comprised of people who join together to provide a service or services to their community. Its members all have different talents and strive to improve their community.

Pleasant Run Farms Civic Association brings value to this community through many channels including the pool—many communities do not even have a pool; athletics— including baseball, soccer and swim team; community activities—including the opening day ceremonies, Great American clean-up and the Fourth of July parade and skirt game; upkeep of the Clifford George fields and the greenbelt. Without additional people to support these activities and events our community runs the risk of losing them. Can you imagine driving by the corner of Mill and Forester and seeing a gas station (it’s original plan) or a strip mall or an overgrown field instead of seeing kids learning sportsmanship by playing baseball or soccer? Can you imagine the greenbelt—which includes property behind Meijer and Home Depot, developed into housing or an industrial park? Can you imagine a summer where the kids don’t have a pool to enjoy, to learn how to swim and to stay out of trouble? These are all possibilities. But everyone has the ability to prevent this. All it takes is a little bit of your time. Time involved with the Civic Association—be it volunteering to help with a specific event or joining the board of the civic association for a specific role. We have several positions that are open that we would like to fill immediately. All roles are open to civic association members in January. Details of the roles and responsibilities of the board can be found at www.pleasantrunfarms.org, but a here’s a quick list:



- President presides at Association and Executive Committee meetings and coordinates the work of the Officers and Directors.
- Vice President (Open) is an aid to the President and fills in when he or she is absent. Along with a few other things they represent the Association at Springfield Township meetings, report pertinent information back to the Association and serve as a community liaison for the 4th of July Parade and landscaping contest.
- Secretary schedules the meetings and records the minutes of all meetings of the Association and Board, coordinates the list of nominees for the January meeting, maintains the Bylaws and manages the PRFCA Scholarship selection process.
- Treasurer handles the money and the books for the Civic Association.
- Community Activities Director handles fund-raising projects and activity programs for the Association, such as the Easter Egg Hunt, 4th of July Parade, PRFCA Picnic and all other community events.
- Swimming Pool Director oversees the maintenance and operation of the pool.
- Communications Director is responsible for communications to the residents of Pleasant Run Farms including the Memo.
- Athletics Director (Open) is responsible for the care and maintenance of athletic facilities and programs for the Association.
- Membership Director (Open) works to increase membership and manage information on the current members.

All it takes is a little time each month for these positions. If you have any questions or would like to learn more about any of these positions please contact a board member or come to the next general meeting—Thursday, September 26th at 7:30 pm in the library at Welch Elementary School.

Thank you for your consideration, Kevin Puccini, PRFCA President

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**Memo Deadline for
Advertisements and Articles
Friday, September 27, 2013**

The **October Electronic Copy Memo Delivery** will occur the weekend of October 5th. The memo will be available on the website, www.pleasantrunfarms.org, by October 4, 2013. If you would like to **place an ad in** or **contribute an article to** the Memo, please contact Venita Vivians, Memo Editor at vvivians@prodigy.net (include Memo in the subject). 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 calendar year.

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

www.pleasantrunfarms.org

PRFCA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Pleasant Run Farms Civic Association
Association Meeting
August 20, 2013

A meeting of the Pleasant Run Farms Civic Association was held Tuesday, August 20, 2013 at 7:00pm at the swim club. The following are the minutes from that meeting:

The meeting was called to order at 7:10pm.

President: Kevin Puccini stated there have been no reports to him since last meeting of any concerns within the community. Residents are encouraged to continue to stay vigilant and report any suspicious activity to Springfield Township police. A resident did contact him to express interest in the open Membership Director position, which will be followed up on.

Vice President: POSITION OPEN AT THIS TIME.

Treasurer: Ed McNett —not present for tonight's meeting.

Secretary: Christina Norris has contacted the Northwest Board of Education regarding securing the library at Welch Elementary for General Meetings during the upcoming school year. Paperwork submitted. Christina has also called Springfield Township to report the Rumpke recycling container at Clifford George Fields being overfull numerous times. They are considering what to do about the container as it appears it could be being misused. Large items are often left outside of the container and residents are encouraged to call Springfield Township when this happens, as they will have Rumpke pick the items up promptly.

Athletic Director: POSITION OPEN AT THIS TIME.

Communications: Venita Vivians advised September's memo will be a hard copy memo. Ads and articles will be due by Friday, August 30th. The memo will be delivered the weekend of September 7th and 8th. Discussed articles needed for the September memo.

Membership Report: POSITION OPEN AT THIS TIME.

Community Activities: Linda Boylson reported bringing back the Christmas luminary event this year will not happen, but we are hopeful this can take place next year. Discussed options for holding the luminary event and distributing the luminary kits. Also, after investigating the option of holding a "PRF Day" at Stricker's Grove, it was determined this would be too costly to carry out.

Pool: Tonya Klei reported a pool advisory board/committee is being formed as Tonya is completing her term as Pool Director in January. Several residents of the community have stepped up to meet this need and likely will split different duties of the pool (membership, hiring, concessions, etc). Repairs to the pool will be made during this off-season.

Old Business: None

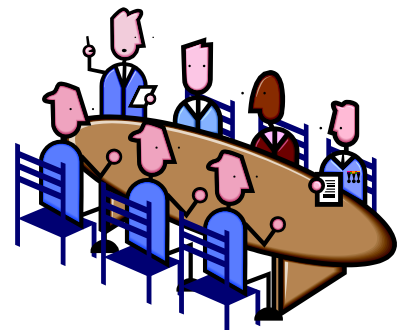
New Business: None

Announcements: None

Being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:13 pm.

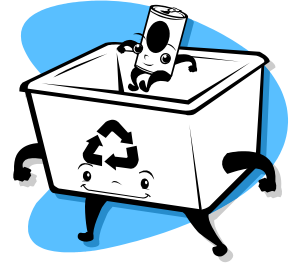
Next meeting: General Meeting (open to the community) September 26, 2013 at 7:30 pm at the Welch Elementary library.

Christina Norris, PRFCA Secretary



COMMUNITY RECYCLE BIN FOR PROPER USE, NOT ABUSE

The community recycle bin located at Clifford George Park provides area residents with a cost-free place to drop off their recyclables while providing Residential Recycling Incentive Grant funding to the township. This community recycle bin is one of twelve provided for Township residents by the Township's Hamilton County Residential Recycling Incentive Grant. Unfortunately, trash, furniture, tires & other non-recyclable litter have recently been left around the community recycle bin, causing unsightliness & the need for Township staff to clear the area.



In a meeting held on August 28th, Township Trustees agreed to place additional signage near the community recycle bin in an attempt to prevent this littering and allow for proper future use for residents. If the signs are not effective in eliminating the problem, the community recycle bin will be removed permanently. Recycled quantities indicate that the bin is often used properly. Please help to retain this community recycle bin by calling the Township at 522-1410 to report abuse.

Kimberlee Flamm, Springfield Township , Projects, Events & Communications Coordinator

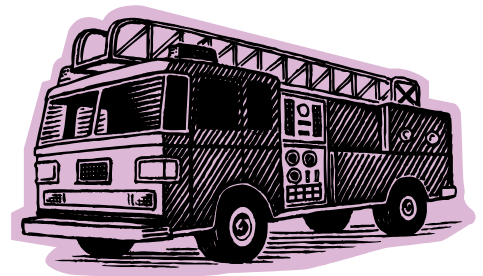
SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP ACTIVITIES

October 5, Noon—4 pm at the Springfield Township Civic Center & Fire Station

Fire Department Open House

FREE EVENT! Now Includes Police, Fire and Service Department !!

The Springfield Township Fire Department kicks-off National Fire Prevention week by hosting the annual Fire Prevention Open House on October 5th. This family-friendly event will be held at the Springfield Township main fire headquarters at 9150 Winton Road.



The event includes fire and emergency equipment demonstrations, household fire extinguishing demonstrations, hand on activities for the kids, guided tours of the fire station, and interactive displays. This year the even has been expanded to include police department demonstrations and vehicles from the Service & Police Departments. Kids will be able to jump aboard the trucks and have an up close look at rescue vehicles of today and even one from the past. Families will have an opportunity to try on firefighting gear and travel through the safe house, which teaches children how to exit a smoke-filled house. Meet police officers and medics then try out a simulation machine that demonstrates the dangers of texting and driving.

Fire Department Open House Schedule

NOON OPEN HOUSE BEGINS

12:15 FIRE EXTINGUISHER DEMONSTRATION

1:00 POLICE DEPARTMENT DEMONSTRATION

1:45 KITCHEN FIRE

2:30 AIRCARE HELICOPTER LANDING—SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY

3:30 LIVING ROOM FIRE

4:00 OPEN HOUSE ENDS

Kimberlee Flamm, Springfield Township , Projects, Events & Communications Coordinator

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP ACTIVITIES

October 25, 2013, 6:30 pm at The Grove Banquet Hall

The Frankenstein Radio Show—by New Edgecliff Theater

Enjoy a night out with your friends for Springfield Township's next Play With Your Dinner Series event at The Grove Banquet Hall. The night will begin with dinner and end in great entertainment! Admission includes dinner, non-alcoholic beverages and a show. A cash bar will be fully stocked. Reservations must be made at least one week prior to the show and may sell out early. Maximum 250 people. Ages 21 and up.



About the show: It's alive! It's alive! The horror classic is brought to life in the theater of the mind with New Edgecliff Theater's radio theater performance of Frankenstein, adapted from the book by Mary Shelley. Visit yesteryear as actors recreate a 1930's radio broadcast, complete with live sound effects, and retell the classic tale of reanimating the dead. The story takes on a new dimension, as each audience member conjures up his/her own unique vision of the monster. Dinner catered by DiStaci's. Tickets \$35 Tables seat 8-10. For details call 522-1410.

Afterschool Art Classes at The Springfield Township Senior & Community Arts Center



If art class is your son's or daughter's favorite subject in school, they will love Springfield Township's ongoing After School Art Club. In each month-long session, second through seventh graders will work toward the completion of a master art project featuring a new theme and art technique. Better yet, they will be in a program with students from different schools—all who enjoy art. Learn more at www.springfieldtwp.org.kidsclass.cfm

Kimberlee Flamm, Springfield Township , Projects, Events & Communications Coordinator



Kids Looking for Work!!!

Following is a list of young residents looking for work. The PRFCA/Memo does not endorse any of those listed; we list these names free of charge as a service to our community....

Babysitting:

Else Boylson, age 14, 259-9143, basic C.P.R., very good with kids including babies, schedule is EXTREMELY flexible

Sarah Dean, age 14, 674-9455, Red Cross babysitting course, CPR & First Aid trained/certified (spring 2011), babysitting and/or mother's helper

Maddie Girts, age 16, 648-9766, CPR certified, has own transportation for babysitting jobs

Claudia Weitz, age 13, 825-3448, American Red Cross babysitting course

Yard Work/Pet Care/Odd Jobs:

Sarah Dean, age 14, 674-9455, pet care

Louis Girts, age 14, 648-9766, yard work, car washing & other odd jobs

Jay Sebastian, age 12, 502-0002, mow lawns, shovel snow, rake leaves, general cleaning

Tutoring:

Deja Martin—age 15, dmartfam@gmail.com, Northwest honor student



GENERAL MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT



A General Meeting of the Pleasant Run Farms Civic Association will be held Thursday, September 26th at 7:30 pm in the Welch Elementary Library. This meeting is open to the entire community. Please plan to attend the meeting and let your voice be heard on any issue or concern you may have. We hope to see you on September 26th.

Christina Norris, PRFCA Secretary

WWW.PLEASANTRUNFARMS.ORG

Have you been to the PRF website lately? If so you have noticed the new redesign of our community electronic information pages. Thanks to the another of our community volunteers, the website has had a makeover. Stop in at www.pleasantrunfarms.org and take a look. Thanks to Chip Bergquist for another job well done.

Venita N. Vivians, Communications Director



Available for Sale in Pleasant Run Farms

BY SUSANNE ANTON



2107 Broadhurst Ave - \$122,900

3 BR .2.5 Baths. Very private wooded lot. Kitchen opens to dining area. Spacious family room with wood-burning fireplace/walk-out to patio. Replacement windows. HVAC-2-years.



12047 Cedar creek Dr - \$145,000

4BR. Premier cul-de-sac street. Approx 2052 sf per HCA. Relax on covered front porch. Updated Kitcher/2nd floor baths. Family room walks out to 3-season room and park-like yard. 1st-floor laundry. Security system/motion detector lights. Newer roof with gutter guards.



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NORTHWEST HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Date & Time	Opponent	Location
9/13 7:30p	Tecumseh–New Carlisle, OH	Tecumseh High School
9/20 7:30p	Ross–Hamilton, OH	Ross High School
9/27 7:00p	Wilmington–Wilmington, OH	Wilmington High School
10/04 7:30p	Talawanda–Oxford, OH	Northwest High School
10/11 7:30p	Edgewood–Trenton, OH	Edgewood High School
10/18 7:30p	Little Miami–Morrow, OH	Little Miami High School
10/25 7:30p	Harrison–Harrison, OH	Northwest High School
11/01 7:30p	Mt. Healthy–Cincinnati, OH	Northwest High School



EASY ITALIAN STEW—FAMILY FAVORITE

This is one of my family’s favorite meals to warm up a chilly fall night. This recipe is fantastic because it comes together quickly (20 minutes), it’s a one-pot meal (easy clean up), and there’s no meat to thaw. Just have the ingredients on hand and you can have a super fast, easy dinner on those busy weeknights. And, best of all, it tastes great! This recipe is from Kraft Food & Family magazine.

Easy Italian Stew (serves 5)

- 2 Tbsp Kraft Zest Italian dressing
- 1 lb Italian roll sausage (we like the Bob Evans kind)
- 2 cans chicken broth (14.5 oz each)
- 1 can cannelloni beans, drained and rinsed (15 oz)
- 1 can Italian-style diced tomatoes, undrained (14.5oz)
- 1 bag (12 oz) frozen stir-fry vegetables (red, yellow and green peppers and onions)
- 1 cup elbow macaroni, uncooked
- Bag of shredded mozzarella cheese, if desired



Using a large stockpot, cook and crumble the sausage in the dressing. When browned, add the chicken broth, beans, tomatoes and bag of veggies. Bring to a boil and add the macaroni. Simmer about 10 minutes or until macaroni is done, stirring occasionally. Top with shredded mozzarella if desired. Serve with Ritz crackers or crusty bread. Enjoy!!

Christina Norris, PRFCA Secretary

Did you know Pleasant Run Farms is on Facebook?

Join the Pleasant Run Farms Civic Association Group Today.

What a powerful tool to bond and share information in our community!

Your Celebration News

Living in the Farms Anniversaries—September 2013



Walter & Marilyn Hahn ~~~~~ 1968 ~~~~~ 45 years

Andy & Nancy Shreve ~~~~~ 1978 ~~~~~ 35 years

John & Pat Barker ~~~~~ 1981 ~~~~~ 32 years

Sue & BJ Shepherd ~~~~~ 1982 ~~~~~ 31 years

Tonya Klei ~~~~~ 1991 ~~~~~ 22 years

Floyd & Marjorie Strebe ~~~~~ 1992 ~~~~~ 21 years

Marc & Krista Ferguson ~~~~~ 2000 ~~~~~ 13 years

Kerry & Donna Carroll ~~~~~ 2002 ~~~~~ 11 years

Ben & Jackie Veite ~~~~~ 2006 ~~~~~ 7 years

Monica Bowles ~~~~~ 2006 ~~~~~ 7 years



Happy Birthday to You, September Birthdays!

2nd Gale Boberg Scott Gildea	3rd Kiley Hogan Ruthie Hogan Makenzee Jackson	5th Chris Rowland	7th Cody Gildea	8th Zane Reese
9th Ed McNett	10th Ernest Cochran Joe Mayer	11th Caroline Jergens	13th Joan Reul	19th Andrew Henry
20th Julie Post Nathan Reed	21st Beth Howard	24th Colton Agin Erika Agin Shakendria Carruth Anthony Hiser Wanda Ostlund	25th Jeremiah Crownover Ben Kernohan	26th Kerry Carroll Victor Halpin
27th Anna Norris	30th Erin Kernohan			



PRFCA MEMBERSHIP REMINDER—2014

A reminder to all PRF civic association members, memberships run from January 1 through December 31 of each calendar year. Your Community and the Civic Association needs your membership dues at the end of each calendar year for the coming year and you receive the maximum benefit from your membership! **It is a great time to submit your membership for 2014. Application is on the back page of this memo or available at www.pleasantrunfarms.org** . Thank you for your continued support.

PRF Civic Association

PLEASE JOIN THE PRF CIVIC ASSOCIATION

Here's why:

The membership pays for itself when you use member discounts at local merchants, i.e. 25% off regular menu price at Papa John's on Kemper Road, 10% off Skyline Chili on Kemper Meadows, to name a few.

Because our neighborhood has a working Civic Association, we have an effective voice with Springfield Township. Here are some of the items that were discussed at previous meetings:

- Potential uses for Welch Elementary if the Northwest District would close the school.
- Retail redevelopment on Hamilton Avenue.
- Ways to preserve our neighborhood pool.

Your membership fee helps pay for the insurance necessary to preserve and protect the Greenbelt. You will have voting rights at association meetings. Also, the publication of the neighborhood newsletter, "The Memo" is supported mostly by your membership fee.

The Civic Association members help ensure community events and opportunities continue, maintaining a high quality of life and protecting the value of our homes and neighborhood.

Some other things your Pleasant Run Farms Membership dues support:

- Scholarship Fund
- Landscape Contest
- Neighborhood Garage Sale
- 4th of July Parade

More information available on www.pleasantrunfarms.org.

Pleasant Run Farms Civic Association Mission Statement

Pleasant Run Farms Civic Association (PRFCA) exists to ensure a better quality of life for residents by offering a variety of volunteer opportunities for community involvement and commitment. The PRFCA does this by encouraging community awareness of Springfield Township resources, youth athletic programs, and a community swimming pool: and in offering a schedule of social activities giving membership/residents a way to "get to know each other."

PRFCA provides a variety of leadership opportunities for those who choose to get involved. Past leaders have contributed many benefits for community improvement such as liaison with Township on planning projects and maintenance of our commonly held Green space, communication with residents via the Memo or on the Website. PRF property values are enhanced by the existence of a Civic Association and would be further enhanced with increased membership. A strong Civic Association benefits the entire community and is what separates us from being "just another neighborhood."

PRFCA membership is currently open to any family or family member who would like to become involved in their community. Opportunity for involvement is never ending from serving on the Civic Association Board to coaching to helping out with several of the social activities offered.

Ensure PRF's future: GET INVOLVED



2014 Pleasant Run Farms Civic Association, Inc. Membership Form

Date: _____ Family last name: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail (please print clearly): _____

PRF Resident since: month _____ year _____ Check One: Membership Renewal _____ New Member: _____

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.

- 4th of July Parade _____ Scholarship Committee _____ Where needed _____
- Garage Sale _____ Membership _____
- Landscaping Contest _____ Communications _____
- Swim Club _____ Sports _____ (specify which sport _____)

We publish members anniversary (years living in PRF) and birthdays in the Memo.

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

The Memo is electronically distributed monthly to members of the civic association only. The memo will be distributed to the entire PRF community during the months of January, April and September in hard copy form. If you are a member and require a hard copy of the memo monthly please indicate below:

I need a hard copy of the memo.

If you have a child and he/she participates in sports, you must be a member. Annual 2014 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: Ed McNett, 1403 Forester Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45240.

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!

Membership Use Only: Date Received: _____ Check # _____ Amount: _____ Date Cleared: _____ Membership card: _____
