

Dominion Club News

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DCHA Board Meeting Summary

The DCHA board met on November 12, 2011 to outline duties for all officers.

Property management remains with Towne Properties with **Becky Colburn** as our contact person.

Jack Greene is the chairman with responsibility for rules and compliance. **David Ewing** is the president and is responsible for our lawn maintenance and snow removal. He also will conduct the open meetings for our association. **Jack Schmidt** is the vice president with responsibility for the club house which includes the pool and library.....he also heads the

party committee. **Judith Bennett** is the secretary with responsibility of the communications committee and delivery team. **Alex Campbell** will maintain our web-site. **Nancy Orth** is the treasurer and will obtain the budget from Becky Colburn and be responsible for audit and planning. She will also be our representative to the New Albany Links Master Association.

The board will hold meetings approximately every other month with two open meetings for our residents in good standing.

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Mark your calendar now for upcoming Dominion Club parties - don't miss all the fun!

◆ **December 9 Christmas Party**

DCHA Meeting

- ◆ April 19
- ◆ October 18
7 pm Clubhouse

DCHA Board Meeting

- ◆ January 18
7pm Clubhouse

Christmas Party!

Please join us on **Friday, December 9, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.** for our 11th Annual Christmas Dinner Party at the Dominion Clubhouse.

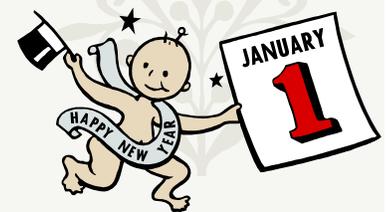
We are having an old fashioned "Potluck." Please bring a salad, main dish or dessert for ten. We will provide spiral sliced Ham and rolls. Also, bring your own drinks and \$3.00 each.

We will also have a "White Elephant" gift exchange. Each person should bring a wrapped gift and put it under the Christmas Tree when you arrive. Please mark your package for **Male, Female or Either**.

Please contact us by **December 7** to let us know you are coming.

John & Donene Bradshaw and the Party Committee

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Know Your Neighbors—New Board Members

Nancy Orth resides at 6924 Camden Drive, was elected to the DCHA Board on October 20, 2011. Nancy has been a resident of Dominion Club since August, 2008. A product of Northern Ohio, she attended Bowling Green University for her undergraduate and graduate degrees. She is quite familiar with Toledo, Ohio, having lived in and near that city for most of her life.

Nancy has a son and a daughter living near Toledo, which is close enough to trek along Route 23, especially during the holidays. Five grandchildren also draw her back to Toledo. Nancy is an avid fan of the OSU Buckeyes, with football being her favorite sport. She attended the last two Rose Bowl games in which the Buckeyes played.

Nancy has been in banking for 35 years,

and was drawn to the Columbus area by employment with Huntington Bank and, more recently, the Heartland Bank in Gahanna, where she is in the Commercial Loan Operations Department.



Her hobbies include needlework, making jewelry, and hot glass work.

Nancy's experience in banking makes her an excellent choice for Treasurer, an assignment made official at the November meeting of the board. We look forward to and appreciate her service to our community.

Judy Bennet was elected to the DCHA Board as well. Judy became well known in the community after moving to 6939 Joysmith Circle in November of 2002. Asked why she decided to place her name on the ballot, she mentioned her conviction that everyone in our association should participate at some level of commitment to utilize his or her various talents and skills.

Judy is a retired Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist, having dedicated 45 years to that profession. Originally from Huntington West Virginia, she attended college and nursing school in that state. She has called central Ohio her home since 1993. Judy is currently on the Board of the Adult Day Enrichment @ New Albany Senior Center, located in the New Albany United Methodist Church. She is a member of the choir there.

Hobbies include reading, walking, water aerobics and History of the Civil War. Judy is a member of the Civil War Round Table of Central Ohio.



In 2007, Judy had back surgery, which resulted in long and laborious physical therapy. While attending water aerobics and hydrotherapy at the YMCA, she met several ladies and formed the "lunch bunch" that socialize weekly at various restaurants.

At the November Board Meeting, Judy was officially appointed the position of Secretary. We're grateful she has volunteered her talents to our association..



DC Stitchery Group Project



The DC Stitchery group worked making dresses for a charity called "Little Dresses for Africa." This charity sends homemade dresses to poor areas of the world and has now expanded to Haiti as well as Africa. Shown are some of the dresses made by the group.

—Thanks to Karen Collins



In Winter's Arms

*Winter holds me with his arms of icy white,
and kissed my breath with frost upon the pane.
Subdued by touch of winter's frigid hand,
I pray for spring to find me once again.*

*O'wind, you whistle to the winter's tune.
Your melody is heard 'pon day and night,
but one day spring will come to rescue me,
and wisk away your song of winter's blight.*

*O'tree, you're frozen in the winter's dream.
Your leaves have left you 'neath a moon of white,
but when my prayers are answered 'pon spring's dawn,
you'll thaw beneath its sun with warm delight.*

*O'field, your harvest has been reaped and spent ~
and winter blankets you 'neath snowy mounds.
Yet one day soon in springtime's rising mist
you'll feel the greening of your earth rebound.*

*Winter holds me with his arms of icy white,
and kissed my breath with frost upon the pane ~
but deep within I somehow always know,
that spring will come and find me once again.*



Safe Use of Christmas Lights

Thanksgiving eve marks the ready, set, go for Christmas decorating inside and out. Neighborhoods are getting brighter each night as houses and trees are being trimmed in the twinkle of holiday lights. Personally, I dread the laying out strings of lights end to end—so they actually work! I never seem to get the strands to link end to end in the right fashion.

How many light strings can be strung together? Are indoor lights the same as outdoor lights? What about a timer for the lights? I need some answers.

My first stop for answers is on Underwriters Laboratory web site. Go to their page on [Decorative Lighting Strings](#).

Things to remember when shopping for and using electric holiday lights: Look for the UL mark and label on all the lights you purchase or are using presently. This UL mark means that engineers have evaluated and tested samples of these lights. The product samples are tested and evaluated for risk of fire, electric shock, and other hazards.

When decorating outside with strings of lights or any electrical decoration be sure it is labeled for outdoor use. Decorations marked indoor use are for just that—indoor use.

Holiday Light Safety Tips:

Buy your light strings and electrical decorations from a reputable retailer and with visible safe use directions on the box or packaging.

Don't overload electrical outlets, extension cords or power strips.

Keep electrical cords out of walk ways and door ways.

Don't place electrical cords under furniture or rugs.

Don't loop or dangle cords from beds, chairs, or any other furniture.

Keep tree lights away from the base of the tree, where the water basin is if using a cut/live tree in your home or business.

Keep Christmas trees, decorations, and presents away from burning candles, lit fireplaces, and heat sources.

Don't use frayed or damaged electrical cords on light strings or any other decoration that requires electricity.

Keep live/cut Christmas trees hydrated by keeping the water level in the tree stand topped up. Check it daily.

Larger vintage style light bulbs are hot to the touch. Keep little hands and pets away from these lights.

Turn the lights off when you are away from home and before going to bed.

Read and follow the manufacturer directions, and precautions as listed on the package and the instruction sheet enclosed with the lights.

My second stop is here: [National Fire Protection Agency](#). Print out the free sheet on Christmas tree safety.

My third stop is here: [National Christmas Tree Association](#). Scroll down a bit on their site and find the place where this is written: 10 Biggest Myths about Christmas Trees, Busted.

—by Sarah Peppel, *DYI Frugal*



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Community Notes...

Stitchery—The DC stitchery group will meet December 12 and January 9 and 23 at 7 pm in the clubhouse. Join us!

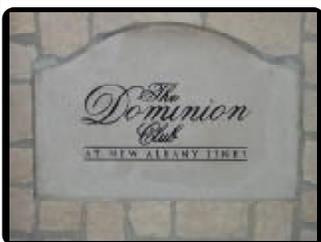
Mah-Jongg—Meets in the clubhouse every Wednesday between 6:30 -11:00 pm, new players welcome!

The Dominion Club Women's Bible Study—Meets in the clubhouse each Thursday, 10:00 to 11:30am. Contact Mary Lou Ewing, 614-933-9017 if you are interested in joining.

New Albany Holiday Celebration—SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2-4 PM The Plain Township Fire Department will host the New Albany Annual Holiday Celebration. During the event, firefighters will accept new unwrapped toys for Firefighters for Kids; New Albany Cub Scout Pack 150 will be accepting military care packages and providing hot chocolate; there will be cookies and a craft decorating station; and the New Albany Chorus will perform. Santa will arrive by fire truck at 2pm. Cameras are welcome, and information will be on hand about keeping your home safe during the holidays.



Christmas Party 6:30 pm December 9



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