

Dominion Club News

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Winter Arrived Early

Winter arrived early this year and the snow removal crews were out to deal with the early snowfall.

Sometime over the next two weeks, Abbruzzese will be placing driveway stakes in our community to guide the snow removal effort.. The crews place stakes based on their snow removal expertise. Board member Bob Mertons says if you are home when the stake crews come through you may request stake placement adjustments if you know of specific problem areas. Bob is the contact for all things related to snow removal. Contact him about issues, complaints, and any property damage related to snow removal.—614-795-4056 or bmertens@capital.edu

Snow removal service doesn't start until the snow reaches a depth of two inches and snowfall stops. Unless the snow is really

heavy, snow blowers will be used on sidewalks and driveways. When the snow is deep or especially wet and heavy the small bladed tractors or bobcats will be used.

The city of New Albany has been better about getting to our area early, but it's still possible they will cover the end of your driveway. If this happens after Abbruzzese has been out to clear the snow it becomes your responsibility to clear it.

Some general reminders: please don't try to direct the employees doing the work. They are responsible to their supervisor and work under a time limit. If you have a problem, please call Bob Mertons. He'll do his best to resolve any issues.

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

◆ **December 5, Christmas/Holiday Party**

DCHA Meetings 2015

◆ TBA

NAL Master Association Meeting

◆ January 8, 7-9pm
NAL Clubhouse



Mid-November Early Snowfall

Winter

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Chili Cook-off!



Contestants: Jan Nelson, Judy Bennett, Caroline Anderson, Kathy Kunovich, Doneen Bradshaw



Judges: Carol Jauchius, Bob Mertons, Jackie White, Bob Youngs



The first chili cook-off on October 17 was a huge success. We had about 50 residents in attendance. Our 5 contestants were Jan Nelson, Judy Bennett, Caroline Anderson (Judy's sister) Kathy Kunovich and Donene Bradshaw. Our esteemed judges were Carol Jauchius, Bob Mertens, Jackie White and Bob Youngs.

Our cooks were outstanding as were their chilis, and our judges did a bang up job with the selection of our champion.

Kathy Kunovich's chili was the grand champion!

Best part was everybody got to enjoy the delicious chili. There were suggestions that we should have another one next year AND the cooks should be men! Think about it fellows, are you up to the challenge???



New Neighbors Update

By John Bradshaw



Pat and Mark Anderson moved here from Gahanna, where they had resided since 1991 when Mark retired

from the Air Force. They have two daughters, Lynn and Kelly. Lynn is married to Shawn Feils and they have two children, Emerson age 7, and Simon age four months. They live in Blacklick. Lynn is a social worker at OSU and Shawn works for Chase. Kelly is married to Marty Storm and they have two daughters, Delaney 4, and Gracen 18 months. Kelly, also a social worker, is the Mental Health Administrator at the Ohio Reformatory for Women in Marysville. Marty is an Assistant Manager of the Creative Paint store on Proprietors Road in Worthington. They live in Delaware.

Mark was born in Richmond, Virginia but grew up in Columbus. A graduate of Miami University and the Ohio State College of Law, he was a Judge Advocate in the Air Force before retiring after 21 years active duty. Among his duties, he was a Military Judge presiding over trials by court-martial. His last duty assignment was at Kadena Air Base in Okinawa. While there the family traveled throughout the Orient, including to the 1988 Olympics in Seoul. After the Air Force, Mark was in a small law firm in Columbus and later worked for the State.

Pat is fond of saying she was born in Rome, although it was Rome, New York, not Italy. Her Father was in the Air Force, so they moved several times. She is a graduate of the University of South Dakota. Pat is a teacher but left the teaching world when Lynn was born to be a stay at home Mom, a decision they never regretted.

Both Pat and Mark are avid tennis players and also enjoy playing golf. Pat has been the

coach of the ladies tennis team at Otterbein University for 19 years. Mark is in his 7th season as the men's tennis coach at Otterbein. They continue to be each others assistant coach. What little free time they have these days is filled with the grandchildren. They are delighted to live in the neighborhood and look forward to meeting as many of us as possible.

John and Becky Rhoads moved into the former home of Bob and Donna Renzetti on October 26th at 6932 Joysmith Circle. They moved here from Utica where they lived for 37 years while raising their 3 sons.

John has worked for Sandvik Hyperion (formerly GE Superabrasives) in Worthington for the last 33 years where he is the Business Support and IT Manager. Becky has worked for Kenyon College in Gambier for the last 18 years as the Biographical and Gift Records Manager.

They decided 3 years ago that they needed to downsize as they look towards retirement. They began researching communities and really loved all that the Dominion Club community had to offer. They are near one son, daughter-in-law and 3 grandchildren who also live in New Albany Links. They have a son, daughter-in-law and 2 granddaughters in Minneapolis and their youngest son and fiancé live in San Francisco. John loves to golf, run, bike and brew craft beer. Becky loves to read and teach group fitness classes at Kenyon. Together they enjoy travel, cooking and spending time with their family. They've been graciously welcomed by Bob White along with Janet and Tom Roth and look forward to meeting many more neighbors!



WELCOME

New Neighbors Update

By John Bradshaw



Jim Brown and Myra Littleton (pictured with Santa) were married on February 14, 1998. They moved from a log home in Sunbury, Ohio before the snow fell and the cold weather hit 6944 Camden Drive!

Jim was born and raised in Lisbon, Ohio and attended Otterbein College during his youthful years and served in the US Marine Corp. After his Marine days, Jim relocated to Columbus, Ohio and has enjoyed all Columbus has to offer - sports, concerts, and good eateries!

Jim has a son, Ben, who recently was engaged and will be married next year. He also has two four-legged sons that keep him alert - Logan, a three year old boxer, and Guinness, a ten year old inside cat!

Jim plays in a dart league, loves to read, do cross word puzzles, and exercise. He is looking forward to no more log staining!

Myra grew up in Marion, Ohio and headed down Route 23 to attend Ohio University.

She graduated with a BS degree in education and later attended Ohio State and Dayton University to earn degrees in special education and counseling. After retiring with 35 years in education from Gahanna-Jefferson Local, she misses the kids but not the paper work and testing preparation!

Reading, decorating, exercising and playing with the pets keep her busy.

They can't wait for all the boxes to be unpacked and to enjoy their new home and neighbors.

Mark & Mary Massarella recently moved into the home formerly owned by Jack and Thelma Greene at 7049 Camden Drive.

They have three grown children Natalie, John & Katie; one daughter in law, Cortney; and two grand-dogs. No grandchildren yet.

Mark is a CPA and the owner of his own business called "The Accounting Dept., Inc." in Blacklick. He is a native of Cincinnati and graduate of OSU.

Mary works at Limited Brands and is a native of Mt. Vernon, OH. She is also a graduate of OSU.



WELCOME

Winter Forecast: Expect Colder Than Normal

—From Chris Bradley, WBNS 10 TV...

Winter arrived this week ... meteorological winter, that is. While winter solstice is still a few weeks away on Dec. 21, meteorological winter began Monday and runs the months of December, January and February. So it seemed like a good time to catch you up on changes to the winter forecast. In addition to a snowier than average winter, I now think temperatures will be below average as well.

Stuck in cold pattern: November was much colder than average. In fact we saw temperatures more reminiscent of January than November. The average temperature was more than seven degrees below average and we were 28 degrees below average on the 18th of the month. I do not see any indication that this pattern change will shift

El Nino weakening: Government forecasters have been monitoring the waters of the Pacific Ocean believing a weak El Nino pattern was setting up. El Nino is a

warming of the ocean waters that alters the jet stream and overall weather patterns. For us here in Ohio, this typically means less snow and warmer temperatures. But it now appears El Nino is weakening and may not happen this winter at all. Another indicator of more snow and cold this winter.

Siberian snow: The final indicator of our upcoming winter is the current snow pack in Siberia. About 14.1 million square kilometers of snow blanketed Siberia by the end of October, the second most since 1967 when the data was first gathered. According to Rutgers University's Global Snow Lab (don't laugh -- there really is a snow lab) the record set in 1976 broke a streak of mild winters in the eastern United States. In addition, the speed at which snow has covered the region this year is the fastest since at least 1998. This is important because our northerly winds blow over this snow pack, which in turn cools the air.



Christmas Past



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*Each Christmas I remember
The ones of long ago;
I see our mantelpiece adorned
With stockings in a row.*

*Each Christmas finds me dreaming
Of days that used to be,
When we hid presents here and there,
For all the family.*

*Each Christmas I remember
The fragrance in the air,
Of roasting turkey and mince pies
And cookies everywhere.*

*Each Christmas finds me longing
For Christmases now past,
And I am back in childhood
As long as memories last*



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Community Notes...

Stitchery—The DC stitchery group will meet December 8 (only once in December) and January 12 and 26 at 7 pm in the club house. 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.

Craft Group - The DC craft group meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7pm at the clubhouse. The group selects art/craft projects that are individually completed. Participants pay a nominal fee for materials for the projects. Join in anytime! Contact Linda Kretschmaier at 614-560-1682 or lkretsch54@msn.com for details. by Lobby. Cost is \$12 to \$15.

Lamp Post Lights—If your lamp post light has burned out and you need assistance changing it, two DCHA members have offered to help. Contact Hiram McCoy at 855-8120 or Tom Roth at 582-1394. It would help if you had a replacement bulb. Working lamp posts add to the safety and security of our neighborhood.

New Albany Links Master Homeowners Association Meeting—January 8, 2015, 7-9pm at the New Albany Links Golf Clubhouse. An informational meeting to describe property, common grounds, contracts, budget, and projects planned for 2015 for the New Albany Links Association community.

Merry

Christmas



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