

# Dominion Club News

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## Sidewalk Hand Rails

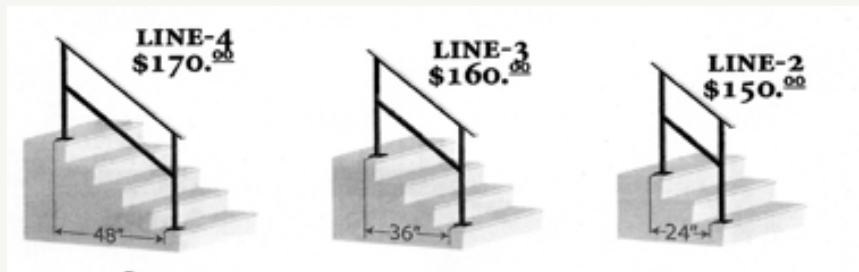
Some homeowners who have steps in their front sidewalks have installed hand rails. The DCHA Design Review Committee (DRC) has worked with residents to come up with a design that is attractive, functional and economical. The DCHA Board recommends that residents contemplating a hand rail consider the design depicted in the diagram below.

The hand rail should be wrought iron, styled as in the diagram, placed alongside steps located between the bottom of the front

porch steps and the beginning of the sidewalk.

The approved handrail can be purchased from Fortin Ironworks, 944 W. Fifth Avenue, Columbus, Ohio 43212, phone 614 291-4342. 2014 prices are shown in the diagram.

Like any "exterior modification", any hand rail project requires review and approval from the DRC. Contact DCHA board member Hiram McCoy for information about the process.



## Spring Cleanup Day A Success!

"Spring Cleanup Day" occurred on Saturday, May 3 at the clubhouse.

Fourteen residents started the fun at 9:00 AM and it was pretty well finished by noon. The inside of the clubhouse was in good shape since we now have that cleaned twice a month but windows were cleaned, cabinets wiped down, exercise equipment wiped and the floors vacuumed. While this was going on men were outside spray cleaning and placing the pool furniture in preparation for Endless Summer to open our pool for use the week end prior to Memorial

Day. With help, Sara Strahler cut back and trimmed a lot of the plants around the clubhouse. Those who braved the elements to help were Linda and Dave Kretschmaier, Tom and Janet Roth, Tom Gyrko, Fred Steinhaus, Russ Nelson, Sara Strahler, Jack Greene, Bob Youngs, Bob White, Judith Bennett and brand new residents Marty and Brad Day. Many thanks to those who gave their time and efforts to making the clubhouse 'cleaner' for us all.

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

- ◆ July 25, Margaritaville
- ◆ August 22, TBD
- ◆ October 17, Chili Cook-off
- ◆ December 5, Christmas/Holiday Party

### DCHA Meetings 2014

- ◆ April 24
- ◆ October 16  
7 pm Clubhouse



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## Bingo!

There were 46 residents & guests who attended the Bingo Bash on April 22. Snacks & drinks were provided. Ten games of bingo were played with 3 games having two winners each. The prizes ranged from \$15 to \$50 with each game requiring a more difficult pattern to win— /, X, O, Z ending with “cover the entire card”. It was great to get together with familiar faces and shake off all those winter blahs and have some laughs!



## Memorial Day Patriotic Picnic



The Dominion Cub Patriotic Picnic held on Memorial Day was a huge success. 55 residents and guests attended. The menu included Sloppy Joes and wonderful side dishes & desserts prepared by residents.

Before our meal we introduced our new neighbors: Brad & Marty Day, Phyllis Forni, and Bob & Phyllis Morrissey. With flags waving in the breeze we said the Pledge of Allegiance & sang "God Bless America".



- Judy Bennett won the prize for "Count the red, white & blue candy corn in the jar".
- Linda Schmidt won the trivia question prize for guessing closest to the year that poppies were first worn as part of the Memorial Day celebration.
- McCoy's guest Diane Selover won the door prize for the name tag number draw.

A special thanks to all who shared their flags for decorations. Thanks also to Dave & Linda Kretschmaier for the use of their canopy and wireless speakers and a special thanks to Dave who put up the canopy and hooked up the speakers.



Mark your calendars JULY 25th for the Margaritaville Party.



## Neighbors Roundup—Party Hearty!

By Judy Bennett

Pat Ewing and Cindy Garcia answered the call when our previous party chairpersons, John and Donene Bradshaw, retired after 12 years of faithful service to our community. Both ladies feel they have huge shoes to fill but will definitely take on the task. It's our neighborhood and we all need to be a part of it and serve where we can. They will do their best but hope to not hold this office as long as their predecessors!

Pat and her husband, 'Coach', moved here 8 years ago from Fairfield County. They are the parents of three children, two who live in the central Ohio area and one in Colorado, and three grandchildren.

'Coach' served in schools in both Fairfield County as well as Franklin County. Pat graduated from the Grant Hospital School of Nursing and retired as an operating room nurse at Mt. Carmel East Hospital.

Cindy Garcia moved to the Links 2½ years ago from Westchester, OH which is near Cincinnati. She is also the mother of three children and three grandchildren. Cindy spent her working life at one of the



busiest but most important jobs known only to women, as a homemaker.

Both ladies stressed that they are open to new ideas about our parties. They hope to encourage more interaction between neighbors as we 'meet and greet' with new residents as well as those already here, and hope to see a good attendance at our Margaritaville party on July 25. So, please give these ladies a word of encouragement and offer to help as needed.

Hard working party committee members include Bob & Jackie White, Charlie & Eilen Evranian, Dick & Wanda LaFayette, Tom & Janet Gyurko, and Bob & Sally Youngs.



### Join The New Albany Links "NextDoor" Web Site!

"Nextdoor New Albany Links" is a free private web site for neighbors to share information in neighborhoods. Nextdoor, Inc. is the company that provides the specific web site tied to only the addresses in the defined neighborhood—they do this for over 35,000 neighborhoods in the U.S. Only people who live in the specific neighborhood (ours is the 644 households in the New Albany Links development) can join so there are no outside interests or advertising groups to interfere. Nextdoor uses some specific information to verify that you live at the address in the "Nextdoor New Albany Links" neighborhood and does not save or share any information used for verification. My wife Christy's sister and husband have belonged to a Nextdoor neighborhood

web site in Ft. Lauderdale for a couple of years—they like it and find it very useful. It's not a scam and we haven't been bombarded with spam e-mails or advertising. DCHA resident and newly elected president of the New Albany Links Master Homeowners Association Nelson Merrill invited me and many others to join the web site and, as of today, there are 63 members participating representing 53 households. The key to a successful, useful group is to get most of the people in the neighborhood to participate. Here are links providing more information:

[https://nextdoor.com/about\\_us/](https://nextdoor.com/about_us/)

<https://help.nextdoor.com/customer/portal/topics/326510-address-verification/articles>

by Bob Radigan

#### People are using Nextdoor to:

- Find out who does the best paint job in town
- Ask for help keeping an eye out for a lost dog
- Organize a community event
- Find a new home for a replaced couch or old desk
- Organize and enhance a Neighborhood Watch
- Quickly get the word out about a break-in
- Chat with neighbors about topics of interest

## Recent Craft Club Projects

**The Craft Club recently completed 3 projects—painting flowering branches, constructing door wreaths, and building a “fairy garden”. The Craft Club is now on summer hiatus and will meet again in the fall for new challenges. Look for an announcement in September...**

*—Thanks to Pat Ewing for the photos*



## Spring Meanders Into Summer...

### DANDELION

*I am the sun in sky of green  
I am the golden summer queen  
I'm the friend to every child  
Because I'm strong, bright and wild.  
Grown-ups cut me when they mow-  
Forget they loved me years ago.  
But when I'm gone, then don't you sorrow.  
I'll be back again tomorrow.*

—by Else Holmelund Minarik

...Thanks to Carol Jauchius



**Columbine**  
**...also known as**  
**Granny's bonnet, is**  
**known for its**  
**distinctive, bell-**  
**shaped, spurred**  
**flowers, which bloom**  
**from mid-spring to**  
**early summer.**  
**A favorite of Carol**  
**Jauchius, sharing**  
**these from her**  
**garden...**



## Community Notes...

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**Margaritaville  
Party  
July 25**

**Stitchery**—The DC stitchery group will meet June 9 and 23 and July 14 and 28 at 7 pm in the club house. Join us!

**Craft Group** - The DC craft group is on summer hiatus. It will meet again in the fall—look for announcements then...

**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.

**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. Anyone else interested in volunteering to join the "squad"? - contact Judy Bennet.

**We are looking for a few volunteers** to join our committees—specifically, the pool and clubhouse committee, contact Linda Kretschmaier; and the communications committee—camera buffs, bloggers, scribblers—contact Judy Bennet.

nett. Committee lists are on the DCHA website

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**Board Notes**—Hiram McCoy reported that several mail boxes and post lights need to be painted and/or repaired and will ask Becky Colburn to send letters to those involved. These repairs and paintings should be done every two years.

Several questions have also come in about planting vegetable gardens. The board suggests that they be small and out of site from house fronts as much as possible.

Linda Kretschmaier reported the white, round tables around the pool need to be replaced as well as many chairs and umbrellas. Costs will be covered by the Reserve Fund. The front of the clubhouse has been repaired and stripping is required around the main back door. All the ceilings in the clubhouse have been painted as needed. The pool is now open for use. Linda will also look into having the clubhouse parking area resurfaced.

Martha Campbell is asking residents to be patient as lawn care and mulching are done around the weather. Mulching began this week. The board discussed replacing dead trees behind the clubhouse and putting a drain cover over the inlet to the retention pond.

**If you have contributions for the newsletter or something to communicate to the Dominion Club community, contact a member of the Communications Committee:**

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