

Dominion Club News

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DCHA Election October 15

Three trustee positions will be filled at the October 15, 2009, quarterly meeting. One term is for one year and two terms are for two years. Dean Jauchius and Gordon Schutt are retiring from the board and David Ewing the current Board Chairman has agreed to run for the one year term. Jim Burt from Joysmith Circle has thrown his hat in the ring for a two year term. We still need at least one more resident to stand for election.

The Board of Trustees is responsible for the business of the Dominion Club Homeowner's Association. They hire the Property Management Company which is currently Towne Properties. They negotiate and manage contracts for lawn care, snow removal, pool maintenance and any one time projects. They ensure the pool and club house are in good repair.

They enforce the rules found in the deed restrictions and described in the Dominion Club Handbook. They are responsible for setting the Association fees and paying the bills.

The board divides the work into five areas of responsibility. They meet once a month to transact Board business. Each quarter the Board reports to the community with an open meeting.

If you would like to take a turn as trustee fill out a Nomination Application which can be found on the DC website www.dominionclub.org. Nomination Application forms need to be in the hands of Becky Colburn, Towne Properties, by Wednesday, October 7, so ballots for election night may be prepared.

Rosh Hashanah Begins September 18

Rosh Hashanah is the beginning of the Jewish New Year, and is the first of the High Holidays, 10 days set aside to focus on repentance. On Rosh Hashanah, Jews are judged on their behavior towards G-d and others. The ten day period concludes with the most important, holiest Jewish Holiday, Yom Kippur, which is the Day of Atonement. During the ten days, Jews try to amend behavior and seek forgiveness. On Yom Kippur, we fast for 24 hours, to be able to pray. At the end of Yom Kippur,

when we repent, G-d "seals" the verdict, and we are ready to start anew in the New Year. We are not wished "Happy Yom Kippur" because it is such a solemn holiday, and would not be appropriate. We are wished Happy Rosh Hashanah, since this is saying Happy New Year, which is also appropriate to say. — by *Bonnie Fox*



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

- ◆ Western Cookout, Sept 11
- ◆ Halloween Party, Oct 24
- ◆ Holiday Party, Dec 11

DCHA Quarterly Meetings

- ◆ October 15—Election, 3 Board Members 7 pm Clubhouse
- ◆ September 8—WebFest Coffee, 7:30 pm Clubhouse



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Pool Party and Cookout

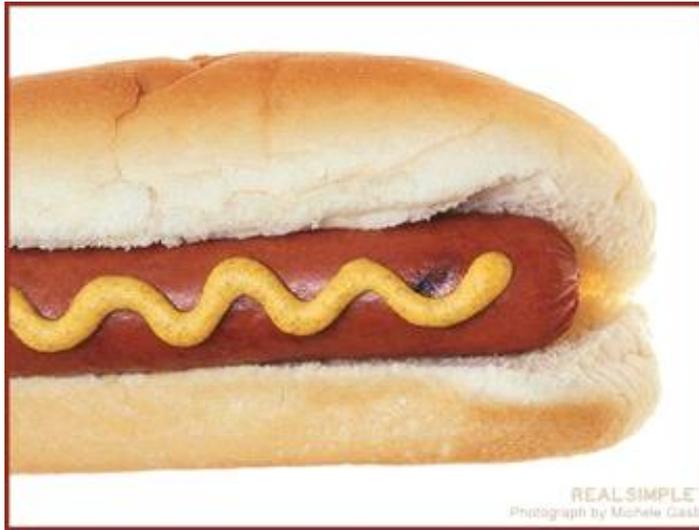
It was a beautiful evening at the Dominion Clubhouse on Friday, July 24, for the annual Hawaiian Luau. Several people told us that their attire was straight from Hawaii. Ron Stauffer took pictures of everyone in their outfits. Seventy-Seven people attended the Pig Roast this year.

Pat Elliott, our Master Chef and owner of the cooker was assisted by Don Thacker, who took the day off work to help his friend cook the pig. Pat and his wife were our guests for the evening.

We had eleven Fun door prizes at the end of the evening and they produced a lot of laughs as they were opened. People lingered into the evening enjoying visiting with their neighbors.



Western Cookout September 11



Will your hotdog look like this? It's up to you as you get to cook your own. Come and enjoy cooking over a wood fire at poolside. Bring a salad, main dish or dessert to share. We will provide the hotdogs, buns & fixings. Then you can make S'mores. Please bring your own drinks and \$4 each.

As an added treat we will have a western singer and karaoke to top off the evening. Come dressed in your best western duds and enjoy our last outdoor party of the season.

The party will be on Friday, Sept. 11 at the Dominion Clubhouse at 6:30 p.m.

Please reply to John or Donene Bradshaw at 614-855-7074 before Sept 9, 2009. If you have a computer, you can reply on the "Evite.com invitation you should already have received.

"Bring a salad, main dish or dessert to share. We will provide the hotdogs, buns & fixings. September 11, 6:30 pm at the Clubhouse"



Neighborhood Landscapes

Lady Bird Johnson's program for beautifying America has nothing on the efforts of the Dominion Club Members. Many of us have noticed the flower plantings that have added to the already beautiful shrubbery which adorns our yards, mulch beds and front porches. Many have added beautiful and ornate patios.

Dan and Hope Axline, residing at 6916 New Albany Road East, have not only planted many flowers along their front mulch boundary, but also help with the appearance of the area on the corner around the granite sign announcing the entry to the Dominion Club properties. There are often hanging baskets of flowers from the shepherd's hooks in that area. Our hats are off to the Axlines for their extra efforts.

Jack and Thelma Greene, at 7049 Camden Drive, have decorated the front and side yards with a beautiful array of colorful flowers, grasses, perennials and annuals to the approval of those who use Lark Lane on a daily basis. The Greene's recently moved to the Dominion Club, but have already helped to make our community one of the best manicured and flower crowned.

Ed and Judy Dollenmayer's property at 6940 Camden Drive shows the tasteful combination of petunias, combining purple, lavender, white and pink along the front of their mulch bed. Not seen by many who drive by is the side planting, which extends to the porch and beyond the drive. This colorful arrangement utilizes many of the red, yellow and orange petunias.

Dominion Club residents appreciate the efforts of all members for their creative assortments of flowers, shrubs and ornate grasses which bring pleasure to us and visitors to our community. — *by Jim Burt*



Gas Line Grounding Available to DC Residents

This past spring saw an accident which may have been preventable. A new home in the Upper Clarenton subdivision (just north of ours) was struck by lightning.

In a split second, the lightning bolt entered the house, traversed one of the steel I-beams in the basement, then jumped to one of the newly installed “flexible gas lines” - thin aluminum piping, coated in yellow plastic.

The gas line ruptured and basically became a huge blow-torch. The new house had over \$100,000 in damage. Fortunately, no one was physically injured, but such damage to a new home and possessions is heartbreaking, to say the least.

In 2006, a building code was enacted which described an industry accepted standard for properly grounding the gas lines (called bonding) to attempt to prevent the above described occurrence. The Upper Clarenton home was not properly bonded.

Most all Dominion Club homes were completed before 2006. Many have the flexible gas piping in the basements. They may NOT be bonded, per the newer standard, as is strongly recommended by the gas industry.

If you have the yellow, rubbery plastic coated flexible gas lines supplying your water heater, furnace, gas fireplace, stovetop/oven, an outside grill and/or gas clothes dryer, you may wish to have the gas distribution system within your home bonded.

WHAT IS GAS LINE BONDING?

It is basically providing an electrical ground, which is connected to the main steel gas manifold piping found in the vicinity of your water heaters and furnace, and run to the main electrical service panel serving your house. There, the

cover is removed, and the heavy gauge wire is attached to the main ground connector along with the same grounding done for your home’s electrical system.

While no one guarantees protection against lightning, it is the best recommendation the gas industry can make, especially since they’ve supported the newer “flexible gas lines” being installed in homes today.

SO WHO DO WE CALL?

We’ve worked a deal to get the work done for “about” \$100 here in Dominion Club.

CONDITIONS:

If the space between the steel manifold pipe and the electrical service box in your house is open (not a finished ceiling between the two), and the distance is not much more than 30 feet, the work can be done for about \$100.

If a finished basement or ceiling is between the gas manifold and the electrical service box, additional time/labor charges would be incurred.

DLC Electric has already done the work on several houses here in Dominion Club. They can be reached at 430-0788. A lady named Becky answers the business line and will try to schedule groups of homes here at Dominion Club. Grouping the work at our location is part of the reason we can get a discount. Therefore, they will work with you to try to get a time when they will be working in our neighborhood.

Cash and checks are accepted, no credit cards.—by
Dean Jauchius

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Come Experience Your Website - Add to the Fun

The Communications Committee is hosting a "WebFest Coffee" event (or BYO refreshment of choice) on Tuesday, September 8, beginning at 7:30 PM, at the DC Clubhouse. Small potluck desserts will also be welcomed...

Resident owners are invited to come to enjoy camaraderie with your neighbors, participate in a demonstration-based discussion about your DC Website, ask questions, offer critiques, propose suggestions and learn what's in every nook and cranny of our website.

Coffee (and potluck desserts?) will be available and a big-screen visit to our website (www.dominionclub.org) will show you the Value, Features and Information available on your website.

Open and informal discussion will be encouraged, as additional value, benefits, information and features will be consid-

ered. The DC website provides yet another layer of DC "community" by going beyond just supporting our common formal documents and rules. It offers current information, but, with very little effort, could be able to support group activities, additional local or Central Ohio information, DC history - with pictures, interesting photographic or literary contributions, local restaurant listings (with critiques?) and more.

You may wish to bring chairs, as there are a limited number available at the clubhouse.



*"WebFest Coffee
Tuesday, September
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PM, at the DC
Clubhouse"*



Poet's Corner

Looking Back by Carol Jauchius

***I can recall.....back in the day
When I was lean and mean.
I ate what I wanted without a care.
Never anything too green!***

***Now the term "wide load" rings a bell.
But my husband is too kind to tell,
Even though he notices the extra part
That wasn't there at the start.***

***Never mind that I'm beautiful and sweet,
I just want to see my feet!***

Photos provided by Carol Jauchius—"Queen Ann's Lace" on the moguls east of Camden before the onslaught of the mowers...



Party Committee Recognized

The evening before each of the neighborhood parties, a number of your neighbors bring tables and chairs to the clubhouse. Then they hang balloons, set up tables and chairs and put out decorations, tablecloths and centerpieces.

The possibility of rain exists for every out of doors party, so the inside of the clubhouse has to be set up as though it will rain. Then the day of the party, at about 4:30 p.m. several party committee people decide if the outside is a "go." This requires rearranging the outdoor tables and adjusting the inside area to move some tables outside.

After the work is done on Thursday, there is usually a time for coffee and something sweet that Donene has made to reward the hard-working volunteers. This is the time to relax and reflect on the plan for the party on the next day.

On Wednesday before the parties, John & Donene make a trip to the Party Outlet at

Easton, to take advantage of Senior Day to buy the party supplies. Then a trip to Sam's Club for the meat or other items needed.

On Thursday, John picks up tables and chairs from Polly Porter and Barney Butler and takes everything to the clubhouse. Then John blows up about 70 balloons and takes them to the clubhouse. He usually gets assistance from Fred or Jim on this chore.

Those on the committee include: Fred & Janet Steinhaus, Jim & Shirley Roche, Bob & Jackie White, Rick & Sue Stradley, Dick & Wanda Lafayette, Don & Jane Thacker, Charlie & Ellen Evranian, Ken & Emily Mead, Dave & Linda Kretschmaier, John & Donene Bradshaw.

Thank you Volunteers for a job well done.

If you have any suggestions or ideas for future parties please contact any of the above people.

"Thanks to the Party Committee volunteers for a job well done!"

Recycle Bin Replacement

Are your recycle bins cracked and getting worse? Rumpke replaces them through the New Albany Service Garage on Bevelheimer just north of Walnut, first building to the right - bring your old ones and they'll swap, no charge. New bins can also be picked up at City Hall across from the post office. You can also put a note on your old ones and put them out for Rumpke to collect on trash day.

The new one's are bigger and come with lids. The lids snap on and form a good seal, which should keep the stuff in the container instead of blowing around the neighborhood. With the lid on they are very stable to stack.

There is no charge for replacements.



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Community Notes...

Stitchery—The DC stitchery group will meet on Monday, September 14 and 28, at 7 pm in the clubhouse. Join us!

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

Talkin' Trash—Rumpke is scheduled to pick-up trash and recyclables FRIDAY, September 11, NOT Thursday, September 10, due to the Labor Day holiday.

Pool—The pool will close for the season on Monday, September 14.

Don't Forget to Lock!—We continue to find the Clubhouse unlocked. We need everybody using the clubhouse to take special care to lock it up when leaving. The last person to leave the Clubhouse, please make extra sure that all the doors are locked. Thanks!

Ask Prudence—*Dear Prudence, why are the lawns mowed when they appear to be mostly dry and dormant?*

Lawn conditions actually vary:

- Some lawns are dormant or dry
- Some lawns have some green and uneven growth
- Some lawns with in-ground watering systems or otherwise

thoroughly watered need mowing

- Shaggy looking general areas - clubhouse lawn, moguls east of Camden
- The lawn contract calls for 28 mowings this season.

The whole neighborhood is eventually cut and cleaned to maintain a consistent appearance and to be "evenly" ready for upcoming applications of insecticide treatments and fertilizer.

Dear Prudence, when the New Albany-Plain Township Fire Department sends someone to change the batteries in my smoke detectors, why do they send a whole crew and keep the vehicles running?

The crew and the vehicle are "ON CALL" as if they are at the fire station, ready to go IMMEDIATELY in the event of an emergency dispatch. The running vehicles also keep all on-board computers, radio and other electronics "booted" and active. The fire department number to call to get your smoke detector batteries changed is 855-7370. This is a community service and fire prevention activity cheerfully provided at no additional cost—your tax dollars at work.



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