

Dominion Club News

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Semi-Annual Meeting Highlights

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Dave Ewing, representing the NAL Master Homeowners Association, described the work being done to repair and maintain the “gateway” areas at the four entrances into New Albany Links at the DCHA semi-annual meeting on May 5. Our association is responsible for maintaining the gateway at Bevelhymer and New Albany Road East. That responsibility was negotiated by the DCHA board and the developer at the time the master association was preparing to be transferred to residents. Our residents pay \$200 less for the annual master association fee saving our residents about \$20,000 per year. The cost to replace shrubs, repair/paint fencing and repair brickwork is estimated to be \$11,000 for our gateway, a cost that is not annually recurring.

Treasurer Tom Weiss expects the cost will be covered through the association’s general fund and is not expected to cause an increase in the monthly fee. All residents are current with monthly fees and snow removal fees were less than previous years.

Bob Youngs reported on clubhouse and pool activities. The clubhouse parking lot will be sealed and re-lined. The board is obtaining estimates to repair the sagging concrete section outside the clubhouse back door. Major maintenance and replacement activities are planned by the board with the assistance of experts who prepare a Reserve Study every

five years to review conditions and estimate costs. The current 2012 plan will be updated in 2017.

Clubhouse committee member Janis Nelson reported that the committee is investigating making improvements to the clubhouse interior—furnishings, window treatments, and accessories—noting that they had largely not changed, except for new carpet, for 14 years. They consulted an interior designer who made a number of suggestions that would total \$13,000. She said there were many opportunities to make changes and asked for residents to make comments and suggestions for how our clubhouse should be used—should we keep the status quo as a “party house” or make it more of an extension of our living rooms? No specific proposal was made at the meeting.

The board has not budgeted such expenses this year and, in light of other pending expenses, is not sure if any funds are available. The board’s intent is not to raise monthly fees for this project but to see what may be possible over time. Board members have heard from a number of residents and would like to hear from more. Send your comments and suggestions to Secretary Bob Radigan at bradigan@icloud.com or 7058 Dean Farm.

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

- ◆ **July 17, South of the Border, 6:30pm**
- ◆ **August 28, Dance Party, 7pm**
- ◆ **October 16, It's Your Birthday, 6:30pm**
- ◆ **December 11, Holiday Party, 6:30pm**
- DCHA Meetings 2015**
- ◆ **TBA**



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Board Notes

Board member Ken Hill resigned for personal reasons. The board appointed Bob Radigan to fill the vacancy. Bob assumed the role of secretary and Debbie Tewanger became chairman.

The board selected Armor Paving & Sealing to **sealcoat and restripe the clubhouse parking lot** for \$1,085.00. **The work is scheduled to begin on Monday, June 8, weather permitting. Please refrain from parking in the clubhouse lot on Monday.**

Bingo!



On April 17, 40 of our neighbors met at the clubhouse to play Bingo. The Morriseys provided a deluxe bingo game which was great. 10 rousing games, each representing a more complex series of horizontal, vertical, and diagonal rows, produced winners claiming prizes of ascending value from \$10 to \$30. Snacks & drinks were provided. Everyone had a great time. It was nice just to reconnect and see familiar faces after the long cold winter. New neighbors Wanda & Dale Russell on Camden and Jennifer Douglas (resides with parents Norma & Nelson May on Joysmith) & her sisters, Valerie Poling & Shari Murphy were introduced. Thanks to number-caller Pat Ewing and the party committee for another fun event!



Work Day at the Clubhouse



Bob Youngs, our trustee in charge of the clubhouse and pool, requested that volunteers join him at the Dominion Clubhouse on Saturday, May 23, 2015 for a work day.

Twenty three neighbors responded to the call and worked from 9 until early afternoon to trim, clean up the shrubs around the pool and the front of the clubhouse. The inside of the clubhouse was completely cleaned and all the windows inside and out were washed.

Please thank the following neighbors when you see them this summer:

- Roger & Madalyn Benjamin
- John & Donene Bradshaw
- Pat Ewing
- Tom Gyurko
- Ken and Lynda Hill
- Marge McCoy
- Bob Mertens
- Jeff Moore
- Bob & Phyl Morrisey
- Jan Nelson
- John & Becky Rhoads
- Tom & Janet Roth
- Sarah Strahler
- Bob White
- Bob & Sally Youngs
- Clarence Zielke



Thanks!

Memorial Day Patriotic Picnic



The Memorial Day Patriotic Picnic on May 25 was a huge success. We had 60 residents in attendance and they brought some delicious food to go with the hotdogs and all the trimmings.

The pool area was decorated with our flags waving proudly in the breeze.

We said the Pledge of Allegiance, and introduced our new neighbors: Steve & Connie Cordova (moved into Polly Porter's house on Kessee) & Reg & Beth Rinder (moved into Cindy Garcia house on Camden). Also attending was Ella Ewing (Coach & Pat Ewing's



granddaughter) & Phyllis Forni's daughter & son-in-law, Linda & Chuck Stenger).

We bid Martha & Alex Campbell farewell. They moved on May 27.

After eating we had a short trivia quiz pertaining to facts about Memorial Day.



Tom Weiss was the winner when he answered the tie breaking question correctly. Martha Campbell had the closest guess to the number of peanuts in the jar. Each received a door prize.

We also drew numbers that corresponded to numbers on everyone's name tag for additional door prizes.

The next party is July 17 when we head "South of the Border".

Get out your sombreros and join us for some fun. Details will be in the evite you will receive about 2 weeks before the party



-Thanks to Deb Susi for the photos

New Neighbors Update

By John Bradshaw



Reg and Beth Rinder moved into 6928 Camden Drive in May, 2015 and are newcomers to New Albany and Ohio. Beth

says they met in a bar in Costa Rica, while Reg insists that special spark occurred on a pyramid in Guatemala. No matter where it was, they have been together for the last 23 years living in the beautiful Hudson Valley of New York. Acreage, views, woods, barns and horses were all part of life there, as well as frequent trips to NY City. But these were offset by the constant upkeep of their property and the long distant visits to Columbus to visit daughter Alex & her husband Jason, who live in Clintonville. Alex is department head of science at Newark High School, while Jason works for First Fidelity Bank. They started their life together in New Albany, so they helped them find The Links.

Reg is a retired teacher of Spanish, whose nearly 40 year career extends from a high school educator in Katonah, NY to a professor at State University of NY at New Paltz. During that time, he played golf & even worked as a high school golf coach for many years. But now, in his retirement, golf takes up a lot more of his time. Along with golf, he enjoys his home improvement projects (he has spent the last 2 weeks setting up his shop), reading, entertaining, and traveling.

Beth is still working (part-time so far here in Ohio) as a Fitness Instructor at Columbus Fit Life, where she teaches Zumba & Pilates. In Florida (where they spend their winters), she works full-time as a Personal Trainer & Fitness Instructor teaching all kinds of classes -- Zumba, Cycling, Strength Training & Silver Sneakers She also enjoys reading, entertaining, & traveling.

Mike and Maureen Comerford were both born and raised in Buffalo, NY. They are relocating from Hamburg, NY (south of Buffalo)

to 7056 Keesee Circle, to be closer to their children and grandchildren.

Their youngest daughter, Jill, lives in Columbus, another daughter, Kelly, and son, Bob, reside in New Albany with their families. Their oldest son, Michael, lives in Moraga, CA with his wife and their two children.

Maureen is a retired Special Education Teacher and Mike is a retired Senior Manager with the U.S. Customs Service. Mike continues to work as an International Trade Consultant. Maureen is an avid sports fan who enjoys spending time with her grandchildren.

Mike and Maureen are looking forward to joining the Dominion Club Community and meeting their new neighbors.

Scott Harris, originally from Westerville, moved in 7059 Keesee Circle in March.



WELCOME

Block Watch Update

The Dominion Club Block Watch Committee (Bob White, Fred Steinhaus, and Judith Bennett) met on June 1st with New Albany police representative Ryan Southers. The only concern for our neighborhood has been continued speeding which seems to be coming from the Upper Clarendon area. The New Albany Police will look into this situation.

While burglaries continue in New Albany, they seem to be with new business construction, none have occurred in the Links.

With little regard for vehicles, there have been kids skateboarding on Lark Lane. If they remain long enough please notify the police department. Skateboarding is not allowed on city streets.

There is new construction on Route 62 north of Smiths Mill Road which includes a Hampton Inn, a Turkey Hill gas station with Mini-mart, and a Dairy Queen. A Taco Bell is under construction next to Huntington Bank on Central college and New Albany Road East.

Traffic reminders for our area include the July 4th festivities (most of the day), the Pelatonia on August 7-9th, the Walking Classic on Sept. 13th and the Farmer's Market starting on June 18th. Expect increased traffic on these dates.

There will be a new traffic light installed at Route 605 and Windsor. A new roundabout is being considered at Route 62 and Greensward.

—Thanks to Judy Bennett



Craft Group Projects

The Craft Group has been busy working on projects. Recently completed were birdbaths and wall hangings. —Thanks to Kathy Hire and Debbie Manter for photos



This is a picture of the next project for the meeting on June 23 at 7pm at the clubhouse. You may add a different word if you like, but let Linda know so she can purchase the lettering for you. All supplies will be provided. Cost of the project is \$20 includes: sign board (11x18), hose clamp, jar, lettering and paint.



Please let Linda know as soon as possible if you will be attending. Contact Linda Kretschmaier at 614-560-1682 or lkretsch54@msn.com.

2015 Street Maintenance Program

The City of New Albany announced the 2015 street maintenance program. Many residential streets will be repaved, rejuvenated or crack sealed this summer and autumn.

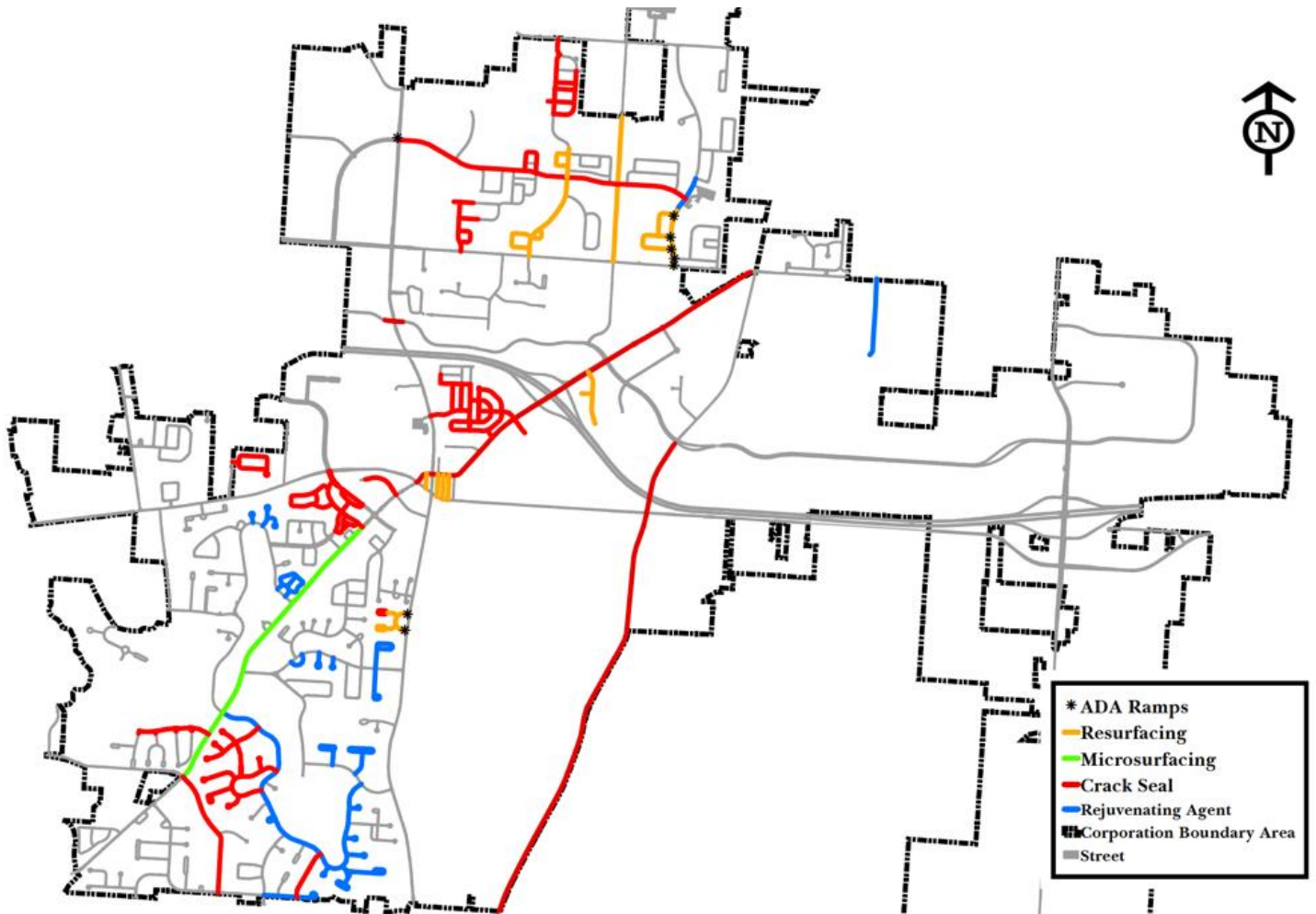
Specifically for the Dominion Club, Dean Farm Road and Keesee Circle will be resurfaced and New Albany Road East will have crack seal and rejuvenating agent applied. Bevelhymer will be resurfaced from Central College north to the city line. The city will notify residents prior to the activity.

According to Brian Walkenspaw, city engineering technician, repaving involves removing the top 1.5 inches of asphalt and replacing it with 1.5 inches of new asphalt pavement.

Crack sealing is a rubber-asphalt hot-poured material with sufficient elasticity to withstand horizontal crack movements. Best for placement in working cracks on roads. Optimum crack width range: 1/8" to 3/4" inch. The City of New Albany uses a trackless material that does not stick to tires. Crack sealing helps to preserve cracks from rain/snow permeability.

Asphalt rejuvenator is used on newly constructed pavements, it will improve the durability characteristics of the asphalt pavement mix, by replacing asphalt liquid components lost to the heat of production while providing an in-depth seal to reduce permeability by rain/snow.

Brian provided this map identifying affected streets.



Community Notes...

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<p>Bob Radigan Secretary 855-6926 bradigan@icloud.com Communications Committee</p>
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Stitchery—The DC stitchery group will meet June 8 and 22, and July 13 and 27 at 7 pm in the club house. Join us!

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

Craft Group - The DC craft group meets the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at 7pm at the clubhouse, although the next meeting in June is the 23rd. 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.

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.

Clubhouse Parking Lot Seal coating Reminder—The parking lot will be closed starting Monday, June 8, weather permitting, for several days for sealcoating and line striping. Please don't park in the lot on Monday.



**South of the Border
July 17**



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