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Sawmill Civic Association Newsletter

2010 Membership Edition

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Upcoming Events

Community Meeting
Davis Middle School
Monday, May 3
7:00 PM

OSCA Board Meeting
Northwest Library
Monday, June 7
7:00 PM

Community Garage Sale
Saturday, June 19
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

“Our mission is to foster community spirit and act as a unified voice to combat community deterioration, preserve property value, and promote the safety and long term best interests of the neighborhood through organized volunteer efforts”

Letter from the President

Dear neighbors,

Welcome to the "NEW" Olde Sawmill Civic Association and our new website. Your community group is back and working with renewed interest after months of hard work by concerned volunteers in our neighborhood.

After generating interest through countless emails, Facebook, the Worthington and Dublin PTO's, and meetings at the playground and school, a new board and committee structure have been developed. A strong foundation of volunteers is moving forward with many tasks to make our community a better place.

We have committees planned for all aspects of the neighborhood including; Aesthetics, Safety, Service, Events and of course the Membership Committee, which should be contacting you soon to become a member!

So please become a member, help support the revitalization of our association and make a difference. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact myself or any board member. Our information is on the contact page. We look forward to serving you this year.

Sincerely,
Ryan Bunner
President, 2010
Olde Sawmill Civic Association

OSE PTO PANCAKE BREAKFAST



WHERE: Olde Sawmill Elementary

WHEN: Saturday, May 22

TIME: 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

COST: All You Can Eat

\$6.50 Adults

\$4.50 Kids 4-10

FREE Kids 3 and Under

Come see the Guinness Book of World Record
“fastest flipper” cook your breakfast!

CIVIC ASSOCIATION COMMUNITY MEETING

To kick off the 2010 Membership drive and new civic association launch, there will be a all-neighborhood meeting to which **EVERYONE** is invited to attend. The board will introduce themselves and describe the different committees that have been established along with the goals of each committee. The meeting will be an open forum for you, the community, to voice your opinion on what areas you would like to see the association apply focus. The Olde Sawmill Civic Association is **YOUR** association and, as Board Members, we want to here what **YOU** have to say.

WHO: All residents of Olde Sawmill

WHAT: Community Meeting

WHERE: Davis Middle School

WHEN: May 3 at 7:00 PM

Meet Your Civic Association Board

Five members of the Olde Sawmill community have stepped up to get the Civic Association active again. These members are volunteering their time and energy to lay the foundation of a strong open association that will be suited to serve the community for years to come. These volunteers cannot do this job alone, they need the support and feedback from *YOU!*

President – Ryan Bunner (president@oldesawmill.org)

My wife and I have lived in Olde Sawmill since 2000 and Abbington Village previous to that. We enjoy this community and the friendships made over the years. Raising a family of active young boys, we want their neighborhood to be as safe, active and friendly an atmosphere as possible. A strong association can be the catalyst and my wife and I look forward to helping make that a reality.

Vice President (Dublin) – Jeremy Block (vpdublin@oldesawmill.org)

My wife and I and our three kids have been residents of Olde Sawmill since 2005. We would like to see Olde Sawmill become a vibrant community with a tremendous sense of pride. We hope that through open communication we will be able to create an association that exists as a true advocate for its residents. We also hope that through the participation and hard work of all the volunteers the community will grow together and become a stronger and more vibrant community.

Vice President (Worthington) – Suzy Baker (vpworthington@oldesawmill.org)

Hi Neighbors!! Bill and I have lived in Olde Sawmill since 1992. We certainly have enjoyed the neighborhood throughout the years, as well as our neighbors. We are interested in making this the best development and community in the Northwest!! Our daughter graduated from Thomas Worthington a LONG time ago and now we are empty nesters. The reason we joined up with this "cause" was to insure a safe place for us to live, meet more of our residents and play an active role in promoting Olde Sawmill as THE place to live. The combined efforts of all of us will enable us to be a strong and united voice.

Treasurer – Ben Meehan (treasurer@oldesawmill.org)

Originally from Cuyahoga Falls, I graduated from Thomas Worthington High School in 1995. My wife and I are grateful to have three scrapping boys, one delightful girl, and arguably the best dog in the whole wide world. We moved to Olde Sawmill in August, 2006. I became a member of the Olde Sawmill Civic Association because I want to help support our community and make it as fun and safe a place as possible. I volunteered to serve on the board because quite frankly there are some matters requiring attention that are simply not going to resolve themselves. I believe Olde Sawmill is a great community in which to live and that with a little help and support from its residents, coupled with an active civic association, it can be even better. Go Bucks!

Secretary – Terry Wilson (secretary@oldesawmill.org)

My wife Marilyn and I have lived in the Northwest for 16 years. The first 5 years we lived in Western Hills and then moved across the street to Olde Sawmill in 1999. We live at 2117 Olde Sawmill and have great neighbors. We have four grown children who all attended McCord Middle School and graduated from Worthington Kilbourne.

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This is our on-line home, it is the main hub of communication. From this location you can find everything relating to Olde Sawmill. Take a moment to bookmark it in your favorites on your browser

- Electronic Registration
- Meeting minutes posted
- Community events
- Surrounding area events
- Interactive forums for open discussions
- Newsletter section with e-newsletters
- Contact information for Board and Committees
- Links to other useful sites.
- FAQ's from the community

Are you looking to advertise something?

If you are under the age of 18 and living in the neighborhood you can advertise for FREE! Babysitting, Petsitting, Lawnmowing, or any other service just email webmaster@oldesawmill.org and we will get your ad out there to the neighborhood.

Not a kid? No problem! We are putting together some *VERY* competitive ad pricing on the website and the newsletter, just email webmaster@oldesawmill.org with your contact information and we can get in touch with you about the various methods of advertising.

Not interested in buying an ad? Or maybe you just have something for sale? Check out the Marketplace in the forum section of the website.

Olde Sawmill Park Update

On Thursday, March 25, a small group representing both the Olde Sawmill Civic Association and the Olde Sawmill Playground Committee met with a representative from the City of Columbus Parks and Recreation Department at the shelter house (for the record, it was freezing cold outside) to discuss spring cleanup as well as repairs that need to be made to the park. To sum up the meeting, it's the squeaky wheel that gets the grease. The more willing Olde Sawmill is to work with the City of Columbus, then the more willing the City of Columbus will be to work with Olde Sawmill. For residents who may not already know, the Olde Sawmill playground was BUILT BY THE COMMUNITY back in 1992. The OSCA is currently working with the Playground Committee to establish an official history of the playground so that it can be added to the Olde Sawmill Civic Association website. More to come in the near future; but for now, you're encouraged to get involved by signing up for the Parks Committee via the website oldesawmill.org or by mailing a letter to the Association.

7th Annual Community Garage Sale Saturday, June 19 9 AM – 4 PM

It's that time of year again – to dust off 'treasures' from your own home and sell them at this year's community garage sale. While pre-registration is not necessary, if you're planning to sell and would like to have your sale featured on a community map online and on the day of the event, then simply email Dave Gust, OSCA Garage Sale Event Chair, at BuckeyeRealtor@aol.com by June 10. Pulling off this event requires a team of volunteers, so please consider being a part of the Events Committee. For more info or to volunteer, please contact us at events@oldesawmill.org.

4th of July Parade

Plans are in the works for a parade right here in Olde Sawmill; however, we'll need volunteers to help pull one together in such short notice. For more info or to volunteer, please contact us at events@oldesawmill.org.

Committees

In an effort to better serve the community we have established a set of committees. We feel that these committees cover the primary aspects of developing a strong and vibrant community. They will be led and run by volunteers of the community who would like to support in accomplishing their objective.

Communications

The focus of this committee is communicating to the community what is going on. This ranges from creating the newsletter, creating content for the website, creating fliers for events, assisting in monitoring the forums, creating graphics for the fliers/website and such.

Parks

The primary focus here is the Discovery Playground at the heart of the community. This committee is there to preserve and restore the condition of the Discovery Park.

Events

The events team is to assist in hosting various community events, such as picnics, Santa's visit, and other functions that promote a sense of community.

Membership

The primary focus of this committee is running and managing a successful membership drive.

Safety

The neighborhood is broken up into small manageable groups, the block captain is the eyes and ears of the small subsections of the neighborhood. The role is to simply convey information from their block to the board.

Aesthetics

This committee is to help preserve and restore neighborhood beauty. Some of the responsibilities of this committee are the common green spaces as well as the landscaping and entry ways to the neighborhood.

Service

This committee will assist our senior, disabled, and veteran residents with routine activities that they can not easily accomplish on their own due to physical or economic restrictions. Examples include small household repairs, non-routine yard work, moving heavy furniture, snow (driveway) removal, emergency drugstore/grocery store runs. This committee may also be called upon to occasionally mow yards of foreclosed homes if the bank is not maintaining the property. The committee will identify volunteers that can be called upon by the chair to assist the aforementioned residents and matched based on listed skill sets.

Absolutely no reason to NOT join..... unless you just don't want to!

We are extremely excited and proud of the new civic association, its mission, the honest intent of the board and the growing commitment in our neighborhood. At print time we have over a dozen paid members (before the official drive) who have committed to taking back this neighborhood and making a difference. We have listened to everyone who has contacted us and developed an association plan based on the two resounding principles you wanted; we wanted!

Open Communication

Email - Every board member and committee chair has email, write us, any of us, we will do what we can to help you and fast. If you don't know who to contact, email info@oldesawmill.org and it will get to the right person.

Facebook group - offers updates and alerts coinciding with the website along with minute by minute comments and discussion of neighbors with no filter. Voice your opinion, concerns or suggestions..... you will be heard.

Meetings - Every meeting is open if you really want to come, just let us know so we can give you time if you need it. Once a year or maybe more we will have a "big" meeting and plan for the masses.

New Website - provides daily updates, meeting announcements and minutes, crime alerts, upcoming events, open forums, blogs, newsletters, committee reports, bylaws and on and on.

Noticeable Activity

Aesthetics - Entrance Landscaping, maintaining areas missed by the city, yard upkeep of abandoned/foreclosed homes, attack graffiti.

Communications - Newsletter, Website, email updates, Facebook group. This committee is focused on keeping everyone in the "know" through many channels

Events - Garage Sale, 4th of July celebration, picnics in our park, Santa Sleigh, and Easter Egg hunt to name a few. More if our members want them.

Parks - Preserving, protecting, maintaining, rebuilding Discovery Playground. Also, we have one park and two preserves in our area that need attention and we are going to give it to them!

Safety - Starting Block Watch back up, getting police liaison back in neighborhood, Block captain network.

So If you are wondering "what your money will go toward", here it is! Your dues will fund committees that will restore the pride, improve the quality and re-connect this neighborhood. So please help us and join the New Olde Sawmill Civic Association unless you simply..... just don't want to.

Please take a moment to fill out this membership form and return it. We can only make a difference with a strong membership base.

Make checks payable and mail to:

In an effort to reduce consumption of unnecessary resources such as printing and postage please *strongly* consider providing an email address and checking email as your preferred communication. We promise to never give your email address to any third parties or send you anything more than you sign up for

Olde Sawmill Civic Association
7652 Sawmill Rd #170
Dublin, Ohio 43016

2010 Membership Information

First Name _____

Last Name _____

Street Address (ex 2931 Sutter Pkwy) _____

Phone Number _____

Email address _____

Membership type

- Family (\$40)
- Single/Senior (\$20)

Communication Preference

- Email
- Postal

I am interested in helping the following committees:

- Communications
- Parks
- Events
- Service
- Membership
- Safety
- Aesthetics

I am interesting in receiving email updates for:

- General Association Updates
- SCAN Newsletters
- Crime Alerts
- Event Notifications