



Country Club Hills Twin Lakes Neighborhood Association Newsletter

March 2017

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Annual Christmas Decoration Contest

Our 2016 Christmas Decoration Contest was a real success! We want to thank the over 250 households that participated in decorating and lighting up their homes. Independent judges from outside our neighborhood evaluated the festive displays and selected the following:

Winners:

1st place – 644 Yorkshire
2nd place – 940 Yorkshire
3rd place – 202 Devonshire
4th place – 132 Valley Way
5th place – 554 Fenway

Prizes:

\$25 Gift Certificate from Candy Christmas Gift Shop
\$20 Gift Certificate from LaCharreada Mexican Restaurant
\$10 Gift Certificate from Hunan Garden Restaurant
2016 CCHTL Membership courtesy of Berkshire Hathaway Realtors
Set of Christmas Pine Cone candles from Readmore's Hallmark Store

We want to thank everyone who helped light up our neighborhood for Christmas and make it look so beautiful. We greatly appreciate the prizes provided by the businesses. We want to thank the judges and Craig Kohli, who organized the event. Also, we are very grateful for the Christmas decorations at our Devonshire Gateway. If you have suggestions for improving our annual event, please share them.

Annual Neighborhood Garage Sale

The annual neighborhood garage sale will be held June 1st, 2nd and 3rd. These dates normally provided for good weather and help get our summer off to a good start. We ask those participating to pay \$5.00. This money covers the cost of advertising in the newspaper and creating the flyers that highlight your house and the major items you have for sale. Over 50 households participated last year. Please send the completed form along with \$5.00 to Jennifer Gast, 524 Fenway Drive, Lima, OH 45804 by May 25th (in order to be included in the flyer). Refer questions to her at 419-230-5089.

2017 CCHTL Garage Sale

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

email Address: _____

Highlighted Items: _____

Days of Your Sale (Check all that apply)

____ Thursday (June 1st) ____ Friday (June 2nd) ____ Saturday (June 3rd)

Please make your \$5 Check payable CCHTL
Mail to Jennifer Gast, 524 Fenway Dr., Lima, OH 45804

Please return this form by
May 25th

CCHTL Board of Trustees -- Election 2016

At our Annual Neighborhood Meeting held on January 23, 2017 the Board of Trustee election results were announced. Roy Baldrige, Craig Kohli and Van Spragg were elected to three year terms. The election of Officers was held – President Roy Baldrige, Vice-President Craig Kohli, Treasurer Jennifer Gast and Secretary Becky Butterfield were elected. We thank everyone who participated. Special thanks goes to Matt Christoff for his three years of good and faithful service as a CCHTL Trustee. Also, we greatly appreciate our webmaster, Brandon Miller, who will be moving to Springboro, OH, but has graciously agreed to maintain our website. We welcome our new US Mail Carrier, Kevin Alexander to our neighborhood.

2016 CCHTL Income – Expense Report

<u>Income</u>		<u>Expenses</u>	
Dues	4,440.00	Garage Sale	121.00
Donations	2,824.00	Insurance	500.00
Park Improvements	155.00	Miscellaneous	352.05
Garage Sale	210.00	Mowing	4,030.00
Other	<u>0.00</u>	Newsletter	982.84
		Park Improvements	0.00
Totals:	\$7,629.00	Postage	485.97
		Property Assessment	22.00
		Utilities	460.06
Our 2016 Gain was \$675.08 -- welcomed news after two years of losses! Our 2016 Membership Outreach helped raise revenues and your support is greatly appreciated. Also, expenses were slightly lower than 2015.		LACNIP	0.00
		Website	<u>0.00</u>
		Totals:	\$6,953.92

Special Speakers at our March Neighborhood Meeting

At our upcoming March 27th Neighborhood Meeting, Autumn Swanson, Neighborhood Specialist from the City of Lima and Thom Mazur, Director of the Regional Planning Commission will attend and share insights about our community and plans for the future. This is your chance to discuss important neighborhood issues and voice your concerns.

Ottawa River Bikeway Connector

We have some bad news about the Ottawa River Bikeway (at Roush Road) Connector to the CCHTL neighborhood (at Kingswood Drive). Although Kevin Haver, Director of Johnny Appleseed Metropolitan Park District supports the project, he has been informed by the project engineers that it is not financially feasible.

There is insufficient right-of-way at the railroad crossing on Roush Road, which would cost thousands of dollars to acquire. The cost of reconstruction of the intersection at Roush and Reservoir Roads would be \$850,000. The actual construction cost of the half mile Bikeway connector would be \$792,588. However, the biggest problems involve the Lost Creek Reservoir. The 36 inch water main that runs along Reservoir Road was installed in 1903 and it is leaking. The engineers have discovered a serious leak in the valve chamber on Reservoir Road. These are very expensive repairs and replacements which would seriously compromise any possible Bikeway. In addition, the bridge on Reservoir Road over Lost Creek

(which is actually a plume structure with a significant drop in water levels) is in very poor condition and needs to be replaced at a cost of \$1 million. What appeared to be a simple Bikeway is not a realistic path.

Fortunately, the plan to connect our CCHTL neighborhood to the Ottawa River Bikeway and the Ohio State and Rhodes State campuses remains a part of the Allen County Regional Plan. Kevin is pursuing a new connector that would leave the Metro Park Bikeway from the southeast corner of the park and connect with Metzger Road. This would require a bridge over the Ottawa River and traffic signs at Metzger and Reservoir Roads to facilitate the road crossing. The Bikeway would extend west to Kingswood Drive and east to the campus. We will continue to pursue this valuable connector.

Bath Township Paramedics Need Our Help!

Fire Chief Joe Kitchen attended our January Neighborhood Meeting and requested our help. His EMS Paramedics have an extremely difficult time identifying the house numbers in our neighborhood, the toughest in Bath Township. Although we do not have many fire calls in our neighborhood, we have a large number of EMS calls. In 2016, there were 126 calls for service, that's over 10 times a month. When a Paramedic cannot find or drives past a house, precious time is lost and it could make the difference in a person's life. We need to increase our neighborhood awareness. The Chief would like to see the "Green Number Signs" available from the Bath Township Trustees (for \$10) displayed on all curbside mailboxes. Call the Bath Township Office at 419-221-1797 and order your sign today!

The Chief challenges all Bath Township residents to go outside (particularly at night) and validate that they can easily see their house number from the street. If they can't, they need to take action – the life they save maybe their own. The Chief pointed out that porch lights sometimes make it more difficult to read the house number from the street. He suggested "solar" house numbers that light themselves.

New Businesses Coming to our Neighborhood

Kaye Acheson Conley, Broker/Owner of Acheson Realty Company reports that her building expansion at 102 Devonshire Drive will be completed soon. There are 3 or 4 offices available for lease. She is looking for complimentary businesses that will provide a family friendly business environment that serves the neighborhood. A member of the Acheson family has lived on Devonshire Drive since 1965. She encourages us to patronize these new business owners.

Country Club Hills Twin Lakes 2016 Trustees

President: Roy Baldridge	840 Yorkshire Dr.	419-222-8795	rebaldridge@woh.rr.com
Vice President: Craig Kohli	108 Barnsbury Dr.	419-236-1135	ckohli@woh.rr.com
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Webmaster: Brandon Miller		567-204-7101	brandonkentmiller@gmail.com

Keeping CCHTL a Great Place to Live!

Although the dues remain \$20, neighbors who pay \$20 - \$34 in dues are identified as Supporting Members, those who pay \$35 - \$49 are called Good Neighbors and those who pay \$50 or more are known

as Best Friends. You may request to be anonymous or listed as a Contributor. The additional funds we receive provide improvements to our Valley Way Park. Thank you for your support!

2017 Annual Membership Dues

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Donation Amount:	_____	Best Friend	\$50 or more
	_____	Good Neighbor	\$35 - \$49
	_____	Supporting Member	\$20 - \$34
	_____	Valley Way Park Fund	

Please make your tax deductible check payable to: CCHTL and mail it or drop it off to Treasurer Jennifer Gast, 524 Fenway Dr., Lima OH 45804. Thank you for your support!

Survey of Neighborhood needs – What change or improvement would you like to see?

CCHTL Neighborhood Association – 2016 Supporting Membership List As of February 28, 2017 – 67 Households – Many Thanks!

Best Friends

\$50 or more

Baldauf, Frank & Linda	131 Kensington	Laukhuf, Dale	377 Sunnymead
Baldrige, Roy & Esther	840 Yorkshire	McCaughey, Mike & Marlene	255 Barnsbury
Butterfield, Ty & Becky	785 Yorkshire	McGuire, Ken & Patty	171 Carlos
Coon, Glen & Bonnie	117 Yorkshire	Menchini, Mickey & Debbie	216 Valley Way
Covay, Alain & Linda	771 Kingswood	Sanchez, Jeff & Tracie	885 Yorkshire
Eberhart, Bruce	104 Valley Way	Slavin, Matt & Hannah	841 Canyon
Fender, Bill & Joann	901 Yorkshire	Stuckey, Tim & Kathy	924 Fenway
Junkins, John & Amy	873 Canyon		

Good Neighbors

\$ 35 to \$49

Bailey, Gene & Judy	740 Kingswood	Harshman, Janet	125 Kensington
Basinger, Kevin & Melita	109 Barnsbury	Kitchen, Joseph	124 Kingsbury
Black, Roger & Mary	287 Barnsbury	Luchini, Doug & Jeannie	665 Fenway
Bledsoe, Ray & Dolly	210 Devonshire	Myers, Jane	155 Greenbriar
Bonnell, Ron & Mayme	240 Barnsbury	Parlette, Nancy	121 Valley Way
Boyd, Beverly	208 Valley Way	Rockhold, Brian & Meg	162 Oakview
Droll, Mark & Renee	732 Queensbury	Snow, Terry & Virginia	105 Barnsbury
Duncan, Mark & Anna	419 Fenway	Stuber, Rick & Diane	850 Yorkshire
Flanagan, Steve & Robin	763 Queensbury	Thieman, Nancy	111 Winston
Gast, Nathan & Jennifer	524 Fenway	Wallace, Chuck & Rhonda Hawk	758 Yorkshire

Supporting Members

\$20 to \$34

Akers, Joann	783 Queensbury	Moor, Joe & Nicole	110 Kingsbury
Billings, Shirley	111 Carlos	Neth, David & Linda	132 Oak View
Burke, Kelly	1274 Cheshire	Nevergall, Mel & Peg	103 Foxfield
Davis, Kathleen	872 Kingswood	Offenbacher, Les & Donna	105 Greenbriar
Elliott, Phillip & Doris	930 Kingswood	Perrin, Bill & Sue	764 Queensbury
Few, Lloyd & Chris	104 Cheshire	Redd, Ray & Carolee	233 Valley Way
Fifer, Dan & Sue	118 Oak View	Sarno, Janet	115 Kingsbury
Gilbert, Nicholas & Tina	723 Queensbury	Schepp, Mike & Mary Lou	892 Fenway
Grillo, Franco & Amy	118 Winston	Schneider, David & Christina	947 Kingswood
Hooker, Donald & Ronald	984 Fenway	Schneider, Richard & Janice	105 Fenway
Jordan, Margie	132 Barnsbury	Shepherd, Shawn & April	111 Foxfield
Kelly, John & Melissa	218 Fenway	Spees, Mary	302 Fenway
Kowal, Joe & Wendy	814 Fenway	Spenser, Jeanette	855 Heritage
Manke, Al & Lori	850 Heritage	Spragg, Dennis & Cynthia	252 Sunnymeade
Meihls, Kathy	115 Greenbriar	Terry, Joseph & Family	132 Valley Way
Mertz, Mary	509 Sunnymeade	Tremper, Chad & Amanda	770 Kingswood

Valley Way Park Donations

Baldrige, Roy & Esther	840 Yorkshire
Kitchen, Joseph	124 Kingsbury
Parlette, Nancy	121 Valley Way

Dates to Remember

Bi - Monthly CCHTL Neighborhood Meetings
March 27th and May 22rd at 7:00 p.m.
840 Yorkshire Drive
All Neighbors Welcome!

Annual Neighborhood Clean-up
Saturday, May 6th from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
Meet at Devonshire Drive Gateway Entrance
Contact Person: Roy Baldrige, Phone 419-222-8795

Annual Neighborhood Garage Sale
June 1st, 2nd and 3rd
Rain or Shine!
Contact Person: Jennifer Gast, Phone 419-230-5089 All Neighbors Welcome!

Monthly Recycling
3rd Thursday of each month
2:30 – 5:00 p.m.
Bath Township Hall – 2880 Ada Road

Thank you for Keeping our Neighborhood Beautiful!

CCHTL Neighborhood Association
c/o Roy Baldrige, President
840 Yorkshire Dr.
Lima, OH 45804

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CCHTL Neighborhood Services

We are looking for more neighbors who have available services to offer, particularly baby-sitting, animal sitting and yard work. If you have some time and talent, and want to earn a little money, please sign up for our Neighborhood Services. These neighbors are willing to provide the services indicated. You are responsible for checking references and making your own arrangements. Please report additions, deletions and corrections to Roy Baldrige at rebaldridge@woh.rr.com

<u>Address</u>	<u>Phone</u>	<u>Services</u>
108 Barnsbury	419-236-1135	FREE Notary Services – Craig Kohli
268 Barnsbury	567-825-3187	Pet or House Sitting – Amy
533 Cumberland	567-825-3961	Aries Lawn and Landscape – Eric
106 Devonshire	419-235-4730	Daytime Day Care -- Tracey
218 Fenway	419-516-1568	Lawn Care, Snow Removal, Handyman – John & Melissa
425 Fenway	419-234-4581	Artist Specializing in Oil & Acrylic painting – Scott
425 Fenway	419-234-4581	Artist Specializing in Photography – Amanda
787 Fenway	419-303-7746	Painting – Danielle
167 Foxfield	513-545-7667	Welding Service (Prefer Artistic) – Will
105 Kensington	419-204-6174	Dog Walking or Sitting – Cody
106 Kingsbury	419-236-7449	Dog Sitting – Angie
106 Kingsbury	567-204-2716	Painting, Lawn Services, Shovel Snow - Justin
872 Kingswood	419-224-7736	Guitar Lessons – Dearth Guitar Studio – Kathleen
947 Kingswood	567-204-4668	Dog Walking or Yard Work -- Quinn
993 Kingswood	419-221-9697	Housekeeping – Jane
480 Sunnymead	419-302-3534	Electrical Work – Roy
763 Queensbury	419-234-6111	Baby Sitting – After School or Evenings – Macy
224 Valley Way	419-604-6794	Baby Sitting – Evenings or Weekends – Madison
224 Valley Way	419-296-4932	Baby Sitting – Evenings or Weekends – Malena
860 Yorkshire	567-712-3055	Baby Sitting or Pet Sitting or Dog Walking – Emily