

Whitehills Neighborhood Association of East Lansing

Autumn NEWSLETTER 2014



A Note from the Editor

Halloween delivered temperatures in the mid-30's and blasts of cold wind, but that didn't stop the Whitehills Annual Halloween Parade! All sorts of characters, from princesses to skeletons, appeared with their proud parents to see and be seen as the daylight faded in the West. It was all great fun, and another example of how much our neighborhood has to offer its residents. Special thanks to Hillary Henderson, who took the lead on organizing the parade, and to all the neighborhood residents who assisted her.

Annual Meeting -- Tuesday, November 11, 2014; 7:00 p.m.

Please join other Whitehills homeowners and neighbors at the WNA Annual Meeting at Whitehills Elementary School. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m. and end by 9:00 p.m.

At this event, moderated by WNAEL President Thomas Jones, you will hear what the committee chairs have to report and listen to Treasurer Stephen Ivkovich outline the many ways in which your annual dues are put to good use for the benefit of the neighborhood and its residents.

Roy Saper will present the Annual Roy Saper Pride in the Neighborhood Award. This special award acknowledges a homeowner who a) is a WNAEL dues-paying member; b) has made significant improvements to his/her property within the last year; and c) submitted plans to the WNA Pride/Covenants Committee for pre-approval in accordance with deed restrictions.

Guest speakers this year:

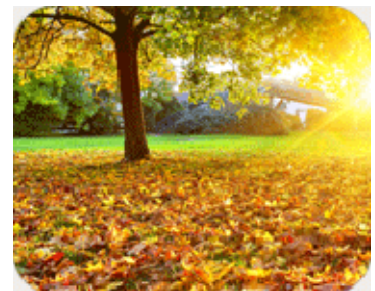
- Bill Anderson, of Michigan State University, who will provide an update on efforts to revitalize the Carriage Hills Shopping Center;
- John Saltzgaber from the Rotary Club, who will announce opportunities to support the fantastic new playground structure at Patriarche Park;
- Annette Irwin, from the City of East Lansing, who will address the City's deer management plan, and;
- Heather Surface, also from the City of East Lansing, who will garner suggestions regarding the future of Whitehills Park.

As you can readily see, the evening promises to be chock-full of useful information, so please join your fellow neighbors as WNAEL addresses issues that affect all of us.

Fall Landscaping Checklist

The late fall and early winter months may not seem like an active time for your yard, but this is an ideal time to prepare for winter and next year's growing season. Take the time now to care for your landscape before winter strikes.

- Shutdown lawn irrigation systems and seasonal ponds/water features
- Remove leaf piles from beds, turf and rain gutters
- Plant new trees, shrubs and spring flowering bulbs
- Mulch trees and shrubs as appropriate
- Aerate lawn



- Prune dead, diseased or unsafe branches
- Water and protect evergreens in preparation for winter
- Winterize mower and tune up snow blower

Place the Whitehills Winter Party On Your Calendar!

The recent spate of dreary days and heavy cloud cover is a chilly reminder that, come February, we'll all be in the mood for a good time, with great folks. Once again, Mike and Susan Perry have offered to coordinate plans for this welcomed event, which will include delicious nibbles, and gladsome beverages, *sans* or *avec* alcohol. Best of all, you'll have the pleasure of sharing an evening with your neighbors and friends as you chase the cold winter away.

The selected date is February 21, 2015. Watch your email for the time and place. For more information, or to volunteer your assistance, contact Mike at mperry@fraserlawfirm.com; or Susan at susanperry54@hotmail.com.

And the Winners Are:

The WNAEL Board wishes to acknowledge and thank the homeowners who have paid their 2014 membership dues in support of your Whitehills Neighborhood Association. If you don't see your name on the list at the end of this newsletter, hasten to your checkbook and send your \$40 annual payment to the Whitehills Neighborhood Association of East Lansing, (WNAEL), at P.O. Box 1213, East Lansing, MI 48826 or click on the PayPal link at wnael.com. It's that easy, and you'll have the satisfaction of knowing you've done your part.

The WNAEL website also describes the many activities and benefits that membership provides. Please join your neighbors in showing financial support for this ongoing endeavor. If you have questions, contact WNAEL Treasurer Stephen Ivkovich at: stephen_ivkovich@yahoo.com.

Special Appreciation!

It is with pleasure that the WNAEL Board acknowledges residents who have shown their deep commitment to the Whitehills neighborhood by making significant, and much appreciated, monetary donations above and beyond their annual dues:

Scottie and Megan Busque, Meadowbrook Lane
Gerald and Karen Jennings, Hitching Post Road
Edward and Mary Lanigan, Foxcroft Road
Terrell and Beverly Oetzel, Dennison Road
Douglas and Bobbie Roberts, Northgate Drive

Over the last twelve months donations allowed the purchase of holiday decorations for the Northgate and Foxcroft entrances, installation of electrical outlets at the Foxcroft entrance, and some cheerful holiday lighting at those same locations. Next on the list is replacement of the somewhat worn holiday swags at Stonegate.

A Brick for Posterity

You are sure to have noticed the fanciful, complex, inviting and brand new playground structure in Patriarche Park. It already has attracted hundreds of delighted children who swing and sway, spin and slide about with shouts of happiness. The City plans to add enticing landscaping as the project moves to completion, but is asking for donations that will smooth the way forward. Personalized brick pavers may be purchased from East Lansing Parks and Recreation Department, 410 Abbot Road, East Lansing, MI 48823. Four-inch by eight-inch bricks are \$100; eight-inch by eight-inch pavers are \$150.

The purchase of one or more bricks offers an opportunity to support a playground that is updated for safety and access, encourages fitness in youngsters, uses eco-friendly materials and is compatible with the surrounding environment. Place your order today, and have the pleasure of seeing your personalized brick paver enshrined at this great community asset.



Let the Lights Bring Cheer to the Night!

Last year saw the return to the neighborhood of a beloved custom that had languished for several years, for want of a resident to take charge: luminaries. With Elizabeth Ivkovich stepping forward to lend her enthusiasm to this joyful project, the neighborhood is on its way once again to bringing lights to one of the deepest nights of winter—December 24th. This year, Elizabeth expects many more homeowners will take advantage of the opportunity to display luminaries on their property. If you saw any of the homes that were decorated with luminaries last year, you know how lovely they are. Watch for an email from Elizabeth as to the cost per dozen, and a schedule for picking up your pre-ordered supply. Elizabeth can be reached at ivkovich11@gmail.com.

WNAEL Board Members:

President: Tom Jones (332-1683)

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Secretary: Roberta McElmurry

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Jessica Cohen (Welcome Committee)

Hillary Henderson (Social Committee)

Mark McDaniel (Marketing)

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Mike Perry (Pride Committee)

Karen Quinn (Welcome Committee)

Gary Quinn (WNA Directory)

Kevin Sayers (Landscaping Committee)

Meri Anne Stowe (Newsletter)

Elizabeth Vanis (Landscaping Committee)

Website Administrator: Michael Mackoul



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Dues Paying Members

<u>Anderson Way</u>	<u>Cranston Court</u>	<u>Foxcroft Road (cont'd)</u>	<u>Northgate Drive (cont'd)</u>
Jennings	Gillespie	Lebeda	Larson/Nwankwo
Lindsey/Wirtz	Kreutziger	Nakfoor	Roberts
Pearce	Lashbrook	O'Leary	Sayers
Rule	O'Leksy	Shaheen	Sheets
Watters	Paris	Wellman	Tesseris
<u>Applegate Lane</u>	Wallace	Wilkinson	Wakulsky
Daugherty	<u>Curtis Road</u>	Wirtz	Warrick
Dines	Barr	<u>Hillwood Circle</u>	Young
Fabian	Greenbaum	Branoff, A.	<u>Old Hickory Lane</u>
Fitzgerald	Levy	Branoff, D.	Bauries
Forrest-Pressley	Preston	Doblas-Madrid/Burt	<u>Old Mill Road</u>
Frangos	Thomas	Hamrick	Bean
Hagan	Titus	McElmurry	Dotto/Herklotz
Hawkins	<u>Dennison Road</u>	<u>Hitching Post Road</u>	Finifter
Joseph	Adams	Beachler	Hardies
Kennedy/Bunn	Bertsch	Beard	Karabatsos
Linnell	Casey/Dunn	Carruthers	Miller
Maguire	Ching/Thompson	Contreras	Mittleman
Mauro/Bergeron	Close	Damer	Morris
Mayhew	Dela Cruz	Dearing	Parker
Moody	Draggoo	Gandlesman	Roberts
Neal	Hufnagel	Jennings	Wellman
Nystrom	Hulse/Anderson	Jones/Stowe	Zoeller
Papesh	Hutchinson	Kiefer	<u>Pebblebrook Lane</u>
Perry	Ivkovich	Magee	Atkins
Saper/Kuhnmuench	Ivkovich	Miller	Bails
Sinder	James/Ghering	Quinn	Benca
Strasburg/Reay	Lark	Seitz	Ganakas
Vaughn-Hoffman	Mack	Vlahakis	Ganakas-Dalebout
Watkins	Meyer/Ahrens	Zygmontowicz	Gisholt
Wolford	Oetzel	<u>Meadowbrook Lane</u>	Hale
<u>Belmonte Circle</u>	Powers	Busque	Harvin III
Suits/Vieth	Schluckebier	Irvin	Jones
CBI Rehab Services	Smith	Johnson	Korpi
<u>Blossom Lane</u>	Wickard	Knake	Loomis
Schlesinger	Zumbrink	Mielock	Mayes
Shea	<u>Foxcroft Road</u>	Shanker	Peery
<u>Boxwood Lane</u>	Andary	Schubert	Regalbutto
Rushman	Baril	Schutte	Sanders/Hansen
<u>Cambria Drive</u>	Beltran	Whitmer, G.	Swan
Curry/Vrooman	Cavanagh	Whitmer, R.	Takahasi
Davis/Breslau	Clark	<u>Northgate Drive</u>	Weiland
Hughes	Cawthorne	Bollen	Wilhelm
Mosholder	Ellis	Endres	<u>Portage Path</u>
Rogerson	Hunt	Gorchow	Taylor/McGlothian
Sanchez	Lanigan	Hidlay	<u>Rudgate Lane</u>
Yusuf	Larkin	Kennedy	Wilcox

<u>Stanlake Drive</u> Clement Corey Hackney Horowitz Kong Leader Long Mosholder Scott-Emuakor Walton <u>Stonegate Lane</u> Armstrong Foster Greene Johnson Last/Canny Leyden Northrup Thornton <u>Tanglewood Lane</u> Belloli, N. Belloli, S. Bolinger Breslin/Scott Curtis Eyde Garrett Hammond Johnson Messerschmidt Negash Penner Stocker <u>Tavistock Place</u> Barcy Carr Farugi Smith <u>Walbridge Drive</u> Abbott Brogan Brussow Deluca Eicher Floden Foote Gallagher Hickman/Tatto Kritselis Markakis Maquire Jr. Meska McKeel Miller Pearlman Petersmark	<u>Walbridge Drive (cont'd)</u> Spagnuolo Sprecher Stathopoulos Straub Trew <u>Windale Place</u> McKenna Topping <u>Woodland Pass</u> Burnett Carpenter Cohen Dunn Elliott Kennedy Krause Lamb Reid <u>Wyngarden Lane</u> Chapin Downey Fletcher/Singel Hughes Issacs Jr. Little Poston Yeadon		
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