

WRENWOOD NEWSLETTER

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The President's Corner

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I hope that everyone had a wonderful Holiday Season and New Year! I was told by so many people within the neighborhood and my friends and family who came to visit how beautifully decorated the entire development was this year. Malgosia and I even took a little extra time a few of the times we were coming back into the neighborhood to just drive around and see all of the light displays ... Truly spectacular!

I also hope that everyone enjoyed the first season of holiday lighting at our front entrance. Adding the outlets and power was a key element for the overall project. We worked closely with the residents of the Villas who were gracious enough to allow me to speak at their annual meeting and participated in the cost of the lighting. I would like to mention Amanda Metzger of the Villas who helped to facilitate the process. That was greatly appreciated. Funds are being budgeted for next year's display. If you have any input on changes or additions, please feel free to forward notes to me via the neighborhood webpage and e-mail links.

On a sad note, this past December we lost our Treasurer, Lisa Dailey, to a move south for her and her family. Lisa served as the Treasurer for three years and did an outstanding job keeping all of the books, documents and, most of all, me in line. Lisa, Vince and Vinnie will also be missed as good friends and great neighbors and we wish them luck into the future in the Carolinas. With Lisa's departure, Kristen Semer has stepped up and volunteered to take on the role of Treasurer, so we can all rest assured that this extremely important position will remain in very capable hands.

The time has come for me to step down as president of the Association and I have located a very capable ... probably significantly better ... replacement in Ed Schofield. I will continue to work with the Board to help fill in some context about past decisions and issues and would like to stay on with the Landscape Committee. Ed will take over officially at our upcoming Annual Meeting on Thursday, March 3rd. Lynne Gardner has agreed to stay on as Secretary and Ken Krieg as Vice President. We are extremely fortunate to have such a dedicated group willing to carry things forward for us.

As we continue through these frigid Winter months, there are a few things that will need to be reminded and a few notices that should be passed along:

Annual Meeting: As noted above, our Annual HOA Meeting will be held on Thursday, March 3rd. The meeting will be at the same location as we have used for the past several years in the Monclova Community Center on Monclova Road, just west of the Monclova Elementary

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School. The meeting will begin at 7PM. It is important for as many people as possible to attend ... This is the time to address our budget, formally elect the Board members and discuss significant issues impacting all of us. The Villas had 100% participation at their annual meeting ... We average about 20%. Let's see if we can do something about that!

Annual Dues: The notices have been sent for the 2011 Annual Dues of \$150. The dues need to be returned to Lynne and Kristen no later than February 1st. If dues are not paid in a timely manner, a second notice will be issued and we may make some phone calls as additional reminders. From that point, we move to filing liens against the residences. In 2010, we filed two liens against properties. Folks, the dues are \$150. A really small amount, when you consider the overall value of our homes. Please pay the dues in a timely manner so that these issues do not need to become contentious. Once the lien is filed, we will get the original dues, plus the costs of filing the lien and penalties for being tardy. A property owner cannot sell their home, nor refinance without clearing the lien ... We really do not like through this process, but have found it to be necessary.

Parking on the Street: As noted in the last newsletter, we are generally permitted to park on the street in our neighborhood and any related enforcement would be through the Township, but I continue to notice several occasions where the cars are parked on both sides of the street. This can create a hazard in that emergency vehicles are unable to pass as well as significant hazard with the recent snow and ice. Please consider these issues when you go to park your vehicle and/or mention something to your guests, as well.

Boats and Trailers: I see it coming ... Spring is around the corner and some folks will have their boats in the driveways once again. Temporary location of boats and trailers is fine if work needs to be done quickly to get it in the water, but please note that the deed restrictions are explicit about not allowing storing boats and trailers in driveways. Do we really need to go round and round about this again this year?!? Cut Ed some slack as the new president, OK?

Fences and Landscaping: Spring is the time for landscape and fencing projects. Note that split-rail fences are required for the perimeter of your lot and they cannot extend beyond the building lines of the house, unless otherwise approved by the Board. Also, large-scale landscape projects involving decks, patios, pergolas, etc. must be approved by the Board, as well. In both cases, Zoning Permits are also required through the Township.

Snow Removal: As the winter weather continues and the snow accumulates, please be sure to get your sidewalks cleaned off within 24 hours of the event. This is a Township rule and an issue of common courtesy, as well as a significant reduction in risk to avoid injury.

Speeding: It would not be a newsletter without me mentioning speeding around the neighborhood. Particularly with the late sunrise and early sunset, combined with the snow and ice we have received, it is imperative that we remain cautious in our driving.

Vehicle Security & Safety: I have been informed of a few break-ins in cars at the Fallen Timbers Mall and elsewhere in our area. Most of these have been "smash & grab" events where people have left purses, GPS units and other obvious items on their seats or dashboards. For your own safety, please be sure to conceal such items or keep them with you as you park the car at these locations. If you see anything, please let us know so that we may disseminate the information to everyone in the neighborhood.

If there are other issues, within the bounds of control of the Homeowner's Association that you would like to have addressed or concerns of safety and security that should be passed along, please feel free to contact me via e-mail at president@wrenwood.net.

We hope to see all of you at our upcoming **Annual Meeting on March 3rd** ... Please mark your calendars now and let's see if we can get all 152 home represented this year.

- Adam Hoff

Ladies Night Out

Would you like to meet some neighbors, take a break from your routine, and enjoy some fun? The Wrenwood Ladies Night Out is in need of a coordinator. Duties involved would be keeping the calendar of volunteers, and following up with the host for the month to make sure the event is going on as planned. Or, to be a host for LNO—just pick a date, plan an event and email the ladies in the neighborhood. Past night outs have included dinner at new/interesting restaurants in town, scrapbooking, beer & bowling, a night at the Toledo Museum of Art.

If you are interested, please contact a Board Member.

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Don't forget to check the official Wrenwood website for all the latest information.

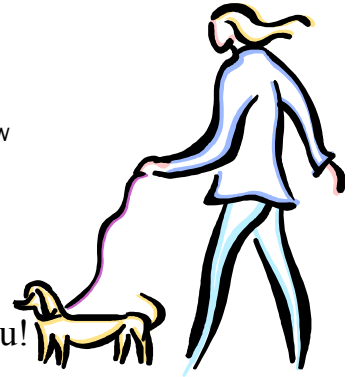
Jim Tomlinson of 3853 Silverberry Circle is our webmaster. If you have any suggestions or comments please contact Jim at 419-865-1806 or webmaster@wrenwood.net

Be on the lookout for a new website section "Our Wildlife in Wrenwood". You can email photos or videos to Jim. Please include your first name and street address as well as a caption (can be fun, serious, or just the creature's name).

Other items of interest on the website are information on Ladies Night Out, Playgroup, prior Newsletters, Meeting Minutes, Helpers Wanted/Available and community links of interest.



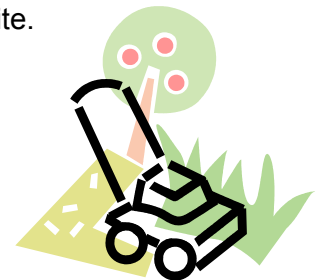
The Wrenwood newsletter is now distributed electronically. Any email address changes or additions should be given to Lynne Gardner.



Help Us Help You!

Looking for a babysitter or someone to watch your dog while you are out of town? We'd love to help! The Wrenwood website can provide you with contacts for these services. Check out "Help Wanted / Available" at Wrenwood.net.

If you have a service that you would like to advertise—such as babysitting, lawn mowing and care, pet sitting, snow removal etc, contact our webmaster to be listed on the website.



Your vote counts!

In order to determine a date for the annual Wrenwood & Ridge neighborhood garage sale, please answer the survey that was sent around to get opinions on the best dates and other details. Feb 1st is the deadline for the survey.

Any questions can be sent to Lisa Willford. (lwillford@gmail.com)