



MAYTOWN VILLAGE SQUARE COURIER

Homeowners Association Newsletter

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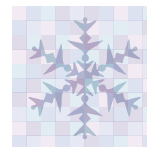
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President's Message

November 2009



If you are like me, as the 2009 calendar year quickly winds down I wonder where the time has gone. Spring and summer are now just a memory as we now embrace the cooler temperatures that will follow in fall and winter. The brighter side, however for those of us who are already missing the summer months, is that we are beginning the preparations for the holiday season: a time that is filled with friends, family and thanksgiving. It is also a time to reflect on your accomplishments over the past year. As related to our community of Maytown Village Square, I believe that we have had many successes.

More recently, as you will see in another section of this newsletter, the association voted in October to elect a new board of directors. Actually, for those of you that did not know, the association actually voted to expand the former five member board to seven members. I am extremely excited about our new members and the talents that each of them brings to the board. I hope that you will take time to personally get to know them as you also become involved with the work of the board. I would also like to thank both Mark Will and Krista Hefley. While they both chose not to seek another term on the board we certainly appreciate their service during the past year.

You will also be surprised to learn that while the new board has only been in place for a little more than a month, some major changes are being made. The board has chosen to secure a new property management company. That change will also affect lawn and snow removal services, however these changes will not take effect until April of 2010.

The board is also working on implementing a series of changes and improvements within our community center. We will be installing an alarm system to protect it from vandalism as well as restructuring the operational policies and providing programming which should utilize it more effectively and make it easier for residents to reserve it for private functions. We will provide you with more information on these changes as they become available.

So, in closing, I want to express my appreciation to you for your trust and support over the past year. We were successful in addressing many of your ideas and implementing changes that will hopefully make our community a more desirable place to live. I look forward to continuing those efforts in 2010.

Respectfully,

Terry White

**The universal brotherhood
of man is our most precious
possession.**

Mark Twain (1835 - 1910)

New board members for the 2009-2010 year were elected at the general meeting on October 19, 2009. The new board is comprised entirely of residents who are committed to maintaining and improving our community.

Terry White, president, has been a resident of Maytown Village Square Commons for the past 4.5 years. Having been employed in the field of aging for the past 30 years, his employment has afforded him opportunities in Ohio, Florida and now the northeastern portion of the country. Currently, Terry is employed with a company that markets senior nutrition products nationwide.

Terry is a native of Columbus, Ohio where he also has a 17 year old daughter who plays in her high school marching band. His big excitement this year will be seeing her march in both the Macy's Thanksgiving Parade, and the Rose Bowl Parade.

Susan(Sue) Nicholson, vice president, and her husband live in Village Square Commons. She is originally from Tannersville, which is a small town in the Poconos with big tourist attractions, and her husband David is originally from a small town in Northern Florida. They have 4 children and 4 grandchildren. When the children were growing up they traveled to the Lancaster and Hershey areas to take mini vacations during the summer. Lancaster County has always been dear to her heart. She loves the beauty and the simple life living here.

Sue enjoys being around family, watching her grandkids grow, being outdoors and loving each of the seasons as they come, reading, traveling, shopping, walking and cooking. She is a huge Florida Gator Fan thanks to her husband, "GO GATORS!"

Sue and David chose Maytown Village Square not just because of its beauty & location, but liked the fact that there is a Home Owners Association with rules and guidelines for all to abide by while living in the community.

Her passion is to help make the very best of her home and community. They plan on living here for many years to come. "Serving on the Board along with our other Board members, gives me an opportunity to help bring our community together and work to make this a beautiful and friendly place, family oriented, and a peaceful neighborhood that we can all be proud to tell people that we live in a wonderful community."

Danielle Martin resides on Fuhrman Rd with her husband Al and her sons, Tanner, age 13 and Colin, age 12. They have been members of the community since June 2006. They also have 2 Jack Russell dogs, Hunter and Maggie who are very much a part of the family. Danielle was born and raised in Lancaster County. She is a graduate of Penn Manor High School and HACC with an Associates degree in nursing. In her spare time she enjoys reading and spending time with her family and friends.

As the chair of the Community Activity Committee Danielle looks forward to organizing events that will be enjoyed by all. She is looking forward to an exciting year of positive changes.



Left to right from front: Sue Nicholson, Terry White, Danielle Martin, Donna Welsh, Abram Campbell, Vern Auker, Pete Risser

Donna Welsh and her husband Paul have lived on Alexandria Court since March 2005. Born and reared in the northeast anthracite region of PA, Donna has lived in Lancaster County for 30 years. She is an artist and natural health counselor and enjoys genealogy, playing her guitar, fiber arts and reading, and most of all, loves being with her family and friends.

Donna is chair of the communication committee and wishes to promote open exchange of information throughout the community. She is excited about the new and positive opportunities this year will bring.

Abram Campbell, treasurer, lives on Nicole Street with his wife and 2 cats. They have lived in Maytown Village Square for a year and a half and look forward to seeing the community grow over time. Outside the community, he works as a laboratory technician for a biomedical company in Exton, PA while she enjoys teaching in Harrisburg. While they both have very busy schedules, they would be more than willing to meet and talk with anyone about any concerns they may have.

Vern Auker is married to Bev and lives in Village Square Commons. He owned his own business for twenty years and now is in management. Vern and Bev enjoy traveling and landscaping around their house. They enjoy going to car shows in their 1929 Ford Street Rod. Being on the Board of our H.O.A. is a way Vern feels he can help keep our community look appealing to new home buyers and help current owners to have pride in our community.

Pete Risser, secretary, and his wife live on Chelmsford Drive. Pete is passionate about helping to improve the community.

To get in touch with the board, please use the contact info on the web page.



Making the decision to have a child - it's momentous. It is to decide forever to have your heart go walking outside your body.
Elizabeth Stone.



Children's Corner

It is getting darker earlier and earlier. Children are still playing outside. Please watch for them when you are driving.

They may be on foot, or on a bike or skateboard. They are not supposed to be playing in the street, but they do, so look out to help make sure they stay safe.

Parents, please encourage safe behaviors in your child; playing on sidewalks or yards instead of streets, and always looking for oncoming traffic when crossing the street.



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Community Happenings/Events

- Christmas Tree Lighting - November 28, 7PM Old Town Hall, Marietta
- Candlelight Tour Holiday Home Decorating Contest - December 4, 6PM to 9PM
- [Marietta Candlelight Tour](#) - December 6, 2009 11AM to 7PM

Good Things

"...these are a few of my favorite things", sing it with me now! What are your favorite things? Send us a list, and we'll compile it. Not the rose raindrops or the whiskered kittens ~ we've already got those. What activities would you like to see in our community? Jazz night by the pond? Game night at the community center? Yoga classes? We really want to know.



Editorial - Keeping Good Neighbors

As the weather becomes crisp, and our outdoor activities lessen and we head indoors for the winter, it becomes easier to isolate ourselves.

Now is a great time to invite your neighbors in. Have some hot chocolate together or maybe play some games.

You might want to check up on your older neighbors to see if they might need some extra help getting ready for the colder season.

Some ideas for fun:

Surprise someone with a plate of cookies and ask them to fill the plate with a treat for another neighbor.

Organize a game night. Ask everyone to bring something to share.

Don't be afraid to get to know your neighbors. There is not one of us who couldn't use another friend.

I know it is especially hard to take the time if you work or are otherwise gone from your home a lot.

I make the pledge to begin ~ how about you?

Be Ready for Winter

[Winter Preparedness Checklist](#)



**Let me live in a house by
the side of the road and be
a friend to man.**

Sam Walter Foss

Residents' Forum

Check out the [Residents' Forum](#) on our [website](#) and communicate with your neighbors!

Added meetings

The board has added two additional association meetings during the year. These will occur January 11 and July 19, bringing the total association meetings to 4, one per quarter. It is the general feeling of the board that the homeowners should have more opportunity for input.

Committees

We need volunteers! These are the committees we currently have and those already serving. If any of these interest you, please let us know. We appreciate any help. Many hands make light work.

RULES & REGULATIONS

Pete Risser

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COMMUNITY CENTER

Carrie Sipe

Cozy Winter Recipe

Baked Oatmeal

from Donna Welsh

1 C melted butter
1 and 1/2 C milk
3 eggs
3 tsp baking powder
1 and 1/4 C brown sugar
4 and 1/2 C oats
cinnamon and fruit

Mix everything together
Place in greased 9 x 13 baking pan
Bake 1 hour at 350 degrees

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Reminder

- Association meeting January 11, 7:00 PM Community Center

About Our Organization...

Our association serves Village Square Townhouses, Village Square at Maytown, Bridle Path at Village Square and Village Square Commons developments.



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