

August 2009 Newsletter

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Hello Amberleigh North Residents,

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Monthly Social Calendar

The social calendar is currently on hiatus until further notice. Playgroup and bunko schedules as well as meeting notices will be included in the monthly newsletter as well as posted on our website at www.amberleighdublin.org.

Pool and Clubhouse Update

Hopefully y'all are enjoying the heated pool now ☺ Sorry it took longer than expected for that to happen. We tried replacing various parts in the old heater but nothing seemed to work. We are now in the process of getting the key card system evaluated and repaired.

The plan is to keep the pool open in September as long as possible, weather permitting, since we had such a late start this year.

Playgroup

Playgroup will be **starting up in September and running through April of 2010**. A few changes have been implemented. Instead of meeting weekly, this year's playgroup will meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month from 9:30am to 11:30am, unless otherwise noted. The first playgroup of the year will meet on September 9th at Jennifer Maloney's house (659-0256). If you are interested in joining or have questions, please contact Nicole Kelbick at 760-0035 or nkelbick@gmail.com.

Girls Night Out (in lieu of Bunko)

The original idea behind bunko was to design an event that allowed for ladies in the neighborhood to socialize sans family members ☺ With that idea in mind, a Girls Night Out (GNO) format is being implemented in lieu of bunko that will be open to all ladies of the neighborhood. The goal is to get together for dinner roughly 5 to 6 times a year. A coordinator will pick a time and place to meet, greet and eat. The info will be included in that month's newsletter. It will be either the 3rd Thursday or Friday of the month, to be decided by the coordinator for that month. A tentative schedule would include the months of January, February, April, July???, September and October. Since this is a new format, changes will likely be made in the beginning as we figure things out. Former bunko members will start out as monthly coordinators. Anyone who shows up regularly will be asked to help out scheduling the events. Responsibilities would include setting a date, time and place to gather, keeping track of RSVPs as well as making reservations. Enough advance notice will be needed to communicate the details in the monthly newsletter. Mark your calendar for **Friday, September 18th**, for the first GNO gathering! More details will be provided in next month's newsletter.

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Vandalism

The Board of Directors wanted to bring to your attention various incidents that have occurred over the summer in Amberleigh. I have included specific dates when known. We hope that increased awareness by everyone will help deter/prevent further incidences. The police have been made aware of these issues.

May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Extra lightbulbs were removed from the storage closet in the clubhouse kitchen and smashed on the sidewalk outside. Three or four young boys had been noted to be in the clubhouse around that time.
June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Spindles broken at the gazebo. Replacements were installed than additional spindles were damaged soon after. ▪ Wesley Chang reported paintballs were shot at his foyer window. Apparently others in the neighborhood had experienced the same thing around the same timeframe. Three Coffman high school kids were caught and charged with vandalism.
July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Second round of damaged spindles replaced.
3rd	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Group of young boys – junior high age – seen at gazebo by a number of different residents. More damaged spindles noted soon after they left.
5th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A group of boys of junior high age was seen walking down Amberleigh Way with a remote-controlled car that had something burning attached to it. They were asked to remove it. Not long after, the same group of boys was seen at the gazebo. Some burned pieces of paper were found there after they left.
14th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A group of five or six boys (junior high age) were reported still in the pool after 9pm. They were asked to leave by one of the Board members (Nicole Kelbick).
15th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A group of seven boys (junior high age) were in the pool after 9pm. Meri Mann spoke with the boys. It was determined one of the boys was from the neighborhood and the remaining were not. The pool rules were reviewed with them and they were told that the police would be called in the future. Board members Reza Zandi and Steve Smith were present too.
19th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A group of 7 or 8 boys (junior high age) were observed setting firecrackers off at the gazebo. Once they realized they had been seen, they ran across the open field off Vista Ridge into some trees.
20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ashley Mann's car was vandalized sometime after 9pm. Her sideview mirror was cracked.
20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A big mess in the clubhouse kitchen was discovered. Dishwashing cleaner had been poured all over the sink and countertop.
20th	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Andy Malek reported seeing a bike in the ravine area over in what is to be the Amberleigh Park area. Turns out the bike belonged to the Steins and had gone missing last summer. ▪ Diane Kopp reported a couple of minor pranks had occurred, sometime in mid July, where some lounge chairs had been moved to the front porch and a flower pot had been moved. She noted that she had seen a group of young boys wandering the neighborhood at the time.

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New to the Neighborhood

Please join me in welcoming Steve and Vanessa Druckman to Amberleigh. They recently relocated from New Jersey and moved into 8233 Timber Mist Court. Bella Druckman will be going into second grade at Bailey. Jack Druckman will be doing full day kindergarten at Dublin Montessori and Juliette will be at Dublin Montessori in the mornings. They can be reached at home at 614.467.9230.

Halting Unwanted Mailbox Advertisements

If you are tired of the advertisements that are left on your mailbox, it turns out you have the option of halting their delivery. There is a provision in the Dublin city code [§ 94.05 (I)] that would allow a "No Advertisement" sign on your property. Thanks to Gerry Leeseberg for initiating the inquiry into stopping unwanted advertisements and Steve Smith for contacting Dublin to find out the specifics.

Below is a 1"x4" metal plate that Gerry had made for his mailbox. He ordered it for \$12 at the Framing Station, located next to the Krogers on 161 and Frantz Rd.



§ 94.05 (I)

(I) *Handbills: deposited on posted property.* No person shall throw, deposit or distribute any commercial or noncommercial handbill upon any private premises, if requested by any one thereon not to do so, or if there is placed on the premises in a conspicuous position near the entrance thereof, a sign bearing the words, "No Trespassing," "No Peddlers or Agents," "No Advertisement," or any similar notice, indicating in any manner that the occupants of said premises do not desire to have their right of privacy disturbed, or to have any handbill left upon such premises.

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Dates of Interest

<p>August 7th-9th 8th 9th 14th 19th 20th 20th 25th</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Last days of the Ohio State Fair (http://www.ohiostatefair.com/osf/osf.php) ▪ American Red Cross Babysitting Class, 9am-3pm at the Rec Center. Call 614-410-4550 to register. \$50 for Dublin residents and \$60 for non-residents. ▪ OSU Day at the Zoo, 9am-5pm ▪ Free showing of 'Twilight' to teens at Coffman Park Amphitheater. Popcorn and soda will be available for purchase. ▪ Rec Center's Fall activities brochure will be delivered via Dublin News ▪ Bring the family to the Coffman Park Amphitheatre at 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 20 to enjoy MadCap Puppet Theatre's "Once Upon a Clock", a romp through some of the world's best known stories and fables. Graeter's will have an assortment of treats available. Tickets are \$5 per person, available at the DCRC front desk or at the door. ▪ Sláinte Thursday ▪ Family Gym Night 6pm-8pm at the Dublin Rec Center \$5 for children 12 and under.
<p>September 9th 12th-13th 17th 18th 19th-20th</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ First playgroup of the year at Jen Maloney's (659-0296) ▪ Jack Hanna's Fall Fest at the Columbus Zoo, 9am – 5pm ▪ Sláinte Thursday ▪ First Girls Night Out (GNO) – more details in next month's newsletter. ▪ Jack Hanna's Fall Fest at the Columbus Zoo, 9am – 5pm

Miscellaneous

- **New Library Hours**

Effective September 6, 2009 (due to \$8.5 million reduction in state funding)

- All 20 branches of CML will be closed on Sundays. Main Library downtown will remain open on Sunday.
- Materials budget has been cut back to 1988 levels
- Hours/pay cuts for staff
- Hours will be cut at all locations. This represents an 18% cutback of hours.

All branches and Main will be open:

- Monday through Thursday: 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
- Friday and Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- Sunday: 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. MAIN LIBRARY ONLY

- **New Farmer's Market in Historic Dublin**

Fresh, locally grown products and other farmer's market fare will be available at the Dublin Community Market from **4:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesdays until Oct. 28** at the Dublin Community Church parking lot, 81 W. Bridge St. Pets are not allowed.

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- **Stork Report:** use the monthly newsletter to announce new family arrivals. Just email Nicole Kelbick at nkelbick@gmail.com with the info you want posted, including a picture if so desired, and it will be included in the next monthly newsletter.
- **New to the Neighborhood**
If you are new to the neighborhood, please send me (nkelbick@gmail.com) a blurb about your family and I will include it in the next monthly newsletter. It is a great way to introduce yourself and your family and for current residents to “meet” their new neighbors.
- **Pet Alert**
If you have lost a pet or found a stray animal feel free to send me an email with a description of the pet and/or picture and the date you lost/found the animal and I will send it out to the community. You will also want to post the information online at <http://www.petfbi.org/>.
- **e-News From the City of Dublin:** To sign up for updates of your choosing from various areas of the City of Dublin’s government, submit your email address at <http://www.dublin.oh.us/cr/e-news.php>. This link has also been added under “Links of Interest” section on our website.
- **Playgroup and Girls Night Out schedules** are now posted online under the What’s Happening section.

Take care,

Nicole Kelbick
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