



THE RESERVE TIMES

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RESERVE HOMEOWNERS' ANNUAL MEETING

Neighbors gathered together last month at the Washington Court Athletic Club to conduct the Annual Business Meeting of the Reserve Homeowners' Association.

All homeowners had a stake in decisions made at the meeting as well as the opportunity to have input into how the year ahead will be shaped.

To those who attended, we thank you for your support. Elected for the current year were:

Pat Chaloupek, president
Dennis Goik, vice president
Dave Lapeus, treasurer
MaryJane McGinnis, secretary

Association dues for the 2007 year were approved at \$75.

Committee reports highlighting the year's activities were heard and several new committee chairs were appointed.

Appreciation was given to outgoing officers and committee chairs, Sally Giovinazzo, Tom Jones, Mary Meyer and Brian Maxwell.

Members were enthusiastic about continuing established events – garage sales, 4th of July Kids' Parade, the block party and the organized social groups. In addition, a new wine connoisseur group will be forming.

There was an open discussion on commercial development in the area as well as ongoing traffic situations.

Residents were encouraged to continue their efforts to keep our neighborhood looking fresh, join the standing committees and to participate in upcoming activities.

-----Pat Chaloupek

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RESERVE WEBSITE

Don't forget to check out The Medina Reserve Website at www.medinareserve.com for up-to-date information for the Medina Reserve and the Medina Reserve Homeowners' Association! And please send in your favorite Reserve pictures for publication on the website.

“BOB’S LIST” NEEDS YOUR INPUT



Can you recommend a tree removal service or a window washer? How about a plumber or a roofer? Had a bad experience with a contractor? Bob would like to know!

Bob Morrow, coordinator of The Reserve Referral Reference, aka. “Bob’s List” can use your input as he builds up a data base of services and contractors for residents.

Contact Bob with information about services you have used. Include type of service, name of business, owner or contractor, location, contact information and pertinent comments as to whether you recommend them or not.

If you had a good experience, it will be helpful for others to know; if the service provided was poor, neighbors would like to know that as well.

We can use recommendations on lawn care, landscaping and landscaping design, electricians, plumbers, heating and air conditioning, painting, general handyman, housekeeping, baby sitting, dog walking, etc.

Bob may be reached at: bmorrow@zoominternet.net, 330-725-5893, or linked through the Reserve website.

When residents need referrals, they will be able to check Bob’s List.

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Approximately half of this month's newsletters are being distributed via email. This is exciting news, as it will cut costs, time, and aid conservation. Unfortunately some email addresses that we have on record do not function. If you have given us your email address and did not receive a newsletter in January, please resend it to mm@images.com and be sure you set that email address to be allowed into your inbox so that it does not come in as junk mail. Your email address will never be used for any purpose outside of Reserve business. Remember that you can always download the latest Reserve Times, along with previous issues by clicking on the issue date in the left column on the home page.

CALLING ALL ENOPHILES



A new wine connoisseur group is being formed. Persons interested in participating, should contact chairperson Trudy Barnhard, 330.725.3519, or via email at trudybarn@zoominternet.net.

A date will be set for those would-be enophiles ([EE-nuh-file] -- someone who enjoys wine, usually referring to a connoisseur. Also spelled oenophile) to meet and plan the format for the group, said Barnhard. She is anticipating that the first session will be an informal gathering at her home this spring.

“Wine tasting is the sensory evaluation of wine, encompassing more than taste, but also mouthfeel, aroma, and color. The main aims of wine tasting are to:

- assess the wine's quality.
- determine the wine's maturity and suitability for aging or immediate drinking.
- detect the aromas and flavors of the wine.
- discover the many facets of wine, so as to better appreciate it. “

----- from Wikipedia

RESERVE SPRING GARAGE SALE



Will be held May 17th, 18th, & 19th (Thurs, Fri, Sat) 9-4. Please place balloons on mailboxes to show participation. Signs will be placed around the neighborhood and maps will be available at houses. You may choose your days/hours. Advertisements will be placed in

The Gazette and The Medina Post. Call Amy Flanagan 330-764-3343 or email aflanag8@aol.com with any questions or to sign-up for sale. Amy will be keeping track to make sure enough people sign up to have the sale.

WELCOMING COMMITTEE – ALYSON ALBER, NEW RESIDENTS/ WELCOME CHAIRPERSON

All neighbors can take the initiative when they see someone move in on their street. Please advise Alyson Alber, new chairperson, at alysonalber@hotmail.com, or 330-721-8961 so that she or one of her committee members may take them a welcome packet.

COMMON GROUNDS & MAINTENANCE



Chairperson Bob Law has noted that the Board of Directors approved a plan for the circle on Century Oak to have a “face lift” this season. Old plant material will be removed, soil will be enriched, new rocks and a bench will be added and plants compatible with our other circles will dress up the area.

“This is part of an on-going process to keep our neighborhood looking attractive,” he said. “Each year as funds become available, we will continue to upgrade common areas within The Reserve in a responsible manner. We look for the best materials at the best prices.”

Areas are contracted to receive annual spring maintenance, but residents are encouraged to “adopt” the circles near their homes, water plants, and weed and trim as needed to help preserve their beauty.

Also on the agenda for spring, he added, is an EARTH DAY project: this will be a Saturday morning work session calling for neighbors to come armed with gloves and trash bags and help clean our environment by collecting trash in our common areas. Information will be posted on The Reserve website and sent to out by e-mail listserv.

TIPS FOR RUNNERS, WALKERS & JOGGERS

- Run, jog or walk with a known companion.
- Run, jog or walk in a familiar area.
- Do not run, jog or walk in a heavily wooded, poorly lighted or secluded area.
- Particularly if running, jogging or walking alone, don't wear radio or recorder earphones.
- Do not run, jog or walk after dark.
- Do not run, jog or walk near bushes, which can provide concealment.
- Wear bright colored clothing to improve your visibility.
- Vary your route and pattern of running, jogging or walking.
- Carry a whistle or high decibel battery powered personal alarm device when you run, jog or walk.
- If followed, go to the nearest residence

SPRING CLEANING

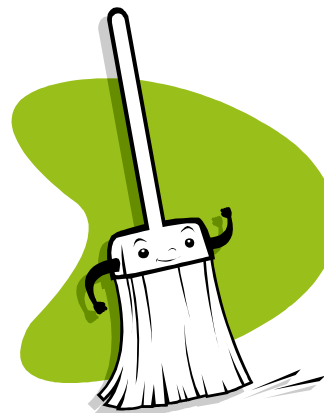
Spring cleaning is a traditional ritual of setting the springtime season off to a good start by removing clutter from the house. It not only marks the start of spring, but also the end of a winter's hibernation indoors and the beginning of a more active time of year. Spring cleaning gives you a great feeling and a sense of accomplishment, as well as being good for your family and for your home.

Since it's *spring* cleaning, one of the first things to do is pack away winter clothes. Don't let bulky sweaters and big jackets clutter up your closets and drawers—pack them up and store them away neatly to help keep them preserved. This will make room for you to bring out all your spring and summer outfits for the season, and care for them properly by not cramming them in your closet.

Give the house a real cleaning. Move furniture around so that you can vacuum all the places you usually miss. Take books and photos off your shelves so that you can dust and wipe them down. If everyone in the family tackles one room or one chore, you'll discover that the whole house will be tidy very quickly!

Spring is also the time to remove general clutter from the house. Spend the day getting rid of old magazines, toys, and knick knacks that you don't need any more. It can be difficult to part with of some things, but having the extra elbow room around the house is worth it. Removing the clutter from your house is a big part of spring cleaning—you'll feel like you've opened up new spaces in your home when you've finished!

.....From www.HousekeepingChannel.com.



Editor's Note: Due to unforeseen circumstances, Mike Todd, Chairman of the Medina Township Board of Trustees, was unable to attend The Reserve Annual Meeting. He sent his regrets and a letter to let residents know of various Township activities. This is part one of a two-part series. The second part, which will appear in our next Reserve Times, will have information on the Township Comprehensive Plan, Financial Practices, Partnerships between Local Businesses and the Police Department and Vacation Watch.

March, 2007

Dear Reserve Homeowners,

Below is a list of some of the changes and activities that the Township has been engaged in over the last year.

Township Website: Medina Township created a website that contains up-to-date information regarding the Township. Township residents can obtain copies of the minutes, zoning policies and other policies on this website. Moreover, the website serves as an information source for all special notices. These special notices could include special public sessions, job postings, and other extraordinary business that may come before the Board. See: <http://www.medinatownship.com/>.

Traffic Control Policy: In December 2006, the Board of Trustees adopted a formal traffic control policy for the Township. The purpose of this policy is to provide a mechanism to ensure safe streets for our community and our children by establishing set rules and procedures for traffic control measures within communities. Residents may request a study of any road in the Township to determine whether or not the Township needs to implement a traffic control measure. This determination will be based on a mathematical calculation that takes speed, volume, type of road, and other variables into account. The Township will conduct a public hearing should the Township determine that a traffic control measure should be implemented. Traffic control measures could include speed tables, islands, speed bumps and other mechanisms.

Township Personnel Policy – The Township is currently working on establishing a uniform personnel policy for the Township. It will assist our Township in conducting business as a professional public body should. Moreover, it will provide a guideline for employees in the conduct of their official duties. The goal of the Township is to provide professional, friendly, efficient and effective service to all residents and businesses of our community.

Sexually Oriented Businesses: The Township is currently in the process of drafting a resolution to establish licensing requirements for sexually oriented businesses that may wish to move to our community. These policies will ensure that if the businesses choose to move here, they will be required to register all workers of their establishment with the Township. Additionally, there may be distance and set back requirements, which are intended to maintain and uphold the decorum of our community. A public hearing will be conducted before any resolution is adopted.

LST Levy: The Township is currently determining whether or not it will propose a levy on the next ballot for the Life Support Team (LST) services. At this time, the Township is running at an operational deficit and will eventually deplete its carryover amounts if no action is taken. As such, the Township is proposing a one (1) mill, three year levy for LST services. Harrisville Township and Medina Township are the only two public entities in the county that do not have a levy for LST services. Should the levy fail, Medina Township will need to make changes in the services we provide to the community. The topic of our budget is extremely complicated, so I encourage you to contact one of the Trustees should you have any additional questions. However, I will state that a simple rule of economics is that you cannot spend more money than you have.

Very truly yours,

Mike Todd,
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To be continued in the next edition

