

PLUM CREEK NORTH NEWS



NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS YOU CAN USE

October 2014

ANNUAL MEETING IS EARLIER THIS YEAR

PLEASE NOTE:

The PCNPOA Board of Directors has scheduled the association Annual Meeting one month earlier this year.

The Annual Meeting is the most important event of the neighborhood association that you can attend. It is your opportunity to hear what has been done by the Board, what is planned for the future and to see what work your yearly fee is doing for the neighborhood. A quorum MUST be present in person or by proxy in order for business to be conducted, so please, mark your calendars and plan to attend. Agenda items that will be discussed:

- Election of new board member
- Evaluation of 2015 budget
- Review of 2014 neighborhood projects
- Plans for 2015

Look for more information next month and remember to save the date:

PCNPOA Annual Meeting
December 3rd, 2014
Carmel Lutheran Church—Room 100

Plum Creek North Cares!

We'd like to start a committee of neighbors who might be able to volunteer to help other neighbors in a time of need! This will consist mostly of making meals for families who are suffering through illness or loss, but may also involve temporary help with mowing a lawn, watching kids, etc.

When the committee is contacted by a neighborhood family in need, a "Sign Up Genius" link will be emailed so that people on the com-

TIME TO BREAK OUT YOUR BEST FALL LOOK!

Break out the pumpkins and mums...
find the ghosts and goblins...

The leaves are changing so that must mean it is Fall Decorating Contest Time!

Plum Creek North has the honor of being one of the best dressed neighborhoods in the fall and winter seasons. We want to encourage and applaud the efforts of those families that put so much time into decorating their yards.

Our annual fall decorating contest is starting NOW! We will judge the houses and yards the weekend of October 31st. The theme of the house/yard can be spooky or scary or it can be peaceful fall colors—it is open to any fall theme you can think of. The judging will be done BOTH at night and during the day so that every home can be viewed in its best light so to speak.

The top three homes will be chosen and listed in the November newsletter—look for your house right here next month if you win!

mittee can sign up to help the family.

If you are interested in signing up for this important committee to volunteer to help neighbors with meals or other needs please email Laura Klee at

lauraklee@gmail.com

Your name will be added to our list.

THANK YOU FOR CARING!

Board Meeting Calendar

8 pm at Subway Restaurant
Hazel Dell and Main St.

3rd Thursday of each month unless otherwise noted

Thursday October 9th *Due to conflicts meeting is one week early this month

November—Combined with December meeting

December 3rd—Annual meeting at Carmel Lutheran

Community Calendar

Fall/Halloween decorating contest

Holiday decorating contest

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A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL THAT HELPED AT THE BLOCK PARTY!

What a great success! The kids were thrilled with the attention of our Carmel Fire-fighters. The food was amazing and the chance to relax with neighbors was inspiring. Thank you to all that came and spent the evening with us. A special thank you to Lori Brooks for creating a great experience for the kids, Ryan Marshall for arranging the visit from the Carmel FD, and Mark Willman and Brydon Yeoman for cooking yummy hot dogs and hamburgers!

Goblin and Ghou! Alert!

Halloween is fast approaching and we all know what that means: the streets will be filled to the brim with tiny little witches and ninjas and minions and iron men...

PLEASE—if you are entering or leaving the neighborhood that night, drive slowly and keep a close eye out so the children stay safe.

PLEASE—if your children are trick-or-treating consider the following:

- place at least one bright color on their costume (or add a reflector) so they can be well seen at dusk
- Only allow the children to go to the houses that have their porch light on indicating that they welcome trick or treaters.
- Ensure the children are respectful of everyone's property and yards.

Fire Prevention Week starts... NOW! Oct 5-11, 2014

Fire Prevention Week was established to commemorate the Great Chicago Fire, that occurred in 1871. The fire began on October 8, but continued into and did most of its damage on October 9, 1871.

Interestingly, and tragically, there were many fires in the Chicago/Wisconsin/Michigan area during these two days in 1871. While the Great Chicago Fire was the best-known, it wasn't the biggest. That distinction goes to the Peshtigo Fire, the most devastating forest fire in American history. The fire, which also occurred on October

8th, 1871, and roared through Northeast Wisconsin, burning down 16 towns, killing 1,152 people, and scorching 1.2 million acres before it ended. The entire town of Peshtigo, WI was destroyed within an hour.

In 1920, President Woodrow Wilson issued the first National Fire Prevention Day proclamation, and since 1922, Fire Prevention Week has been observed on the Sunday through Saturday period in which October 9 falls. According to the National Archives and Records Administration's Library Information Center, Fire Prevention

Week is the longest running public health and safety observance on record. The President of the United States has signed a proclamation proclaiming a national observance during that week every year since 1925.

To learn more about the history of these fires and about fire prevention—please visit: <http://www.carmel.in.gov>
Look under the news tab for Fire Prevention Week

This article was adapted from: <http://www.carmel.in.gov/index.aspx?recordid=957&page=25>

Carmel Fire Department announces Annual Open Houses

In honor of Fire Prevention week, Carmel Fire Department will be having their Open House on Wednesday October 8 from 5p—8p. Stop by the Station 44 on Main Street to meet your firefighters and take a station tour. This is a great opportunity to ask questions of these great first responders and to start that conversation about fire safety with your family!

For more information:
Call 317-571-2600 or visit www.carmelftd.com

Where does fire safety fit in your life?

1. Ask yourself: have you checked your smoke detectors lately? You should test them MONTHLY by pushing the test button.
2. Smoke alarms should be placed inside every bedroom, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the house, including the basement

3. Smoke alarms should be replaced every 10 years or sooner if they don't respond properly when tested.
4. A family evacuation plan should be devised AND PRACTICED regularly
5. The holiday season is particularly risky with bonfires, increased candle usage, fireplaces, holiday lights on houses and trees—Be Aware, Be Safe.

Visit the National Fire Protection Association for more information: www.nfpa.org

Fall Clean Up

The cooler air brings with it the beautiful colors of fall. Don't forget about the last little outside jobs to help keep your yards and plants healthy:

- Mow your lawn at least one more time before the frosts begin
- Aerate and over seed the lawn if it is looking a little thin
- Cut back perennials as they finish their bloom and weed out the beds for one last time
- Rake and dispose of the leaves as they fall—leaving them will decrease your lawn's health and increase risk of disease
- Cover those mums if a frost is coming!
- Make sure all your outdoor lights are in good working order

Babysitting Services

Now Available for Babysitting:

Ashley Yeoman
Safe Sitter Certified
Entering Carmel High School

Contact:
317-8439032

