Dominion Club News

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Party! Party!

Seventy-two Dominion Club residents attended the April 21 "Celebration" party planned by John and Donene Bradshaw.

Barney Butler acted as chef, assisted by Jim Freeman. Assisting with decorating and clean-up were Fred and Janet Steinhaus, Dick and Wanda Lafayette, Jim and Shirley Roche, and Jim and Betty Freeman.

Thanks to all who shared tables and chairs. Despite the rain, a good time was had by all, and the use of the office for the food tables was a bonus.

The next party is a Pool Party scheduled for June 9 and John promises good weather.

Mark your calendar now for upcoming Dominion Club parties - don't miss all the fun!

- ♦ June 9 Pool Party
- ♦ July 28 Hawaiian Luau
- September 15 Fall
 Cookout
- October 27 Halloween Party
- ◆ December 1 Holiday Party

Lawn care Update

Jim Corbett, manager of Abbruzzese's work at the Dominion Club, says shrub pruning in front beds will occur in mid to late May. Flowering shrubs will not be pruned at this time.

Grubs found when digging in the soil at this time are dormant. An assessment of the need for grub control treatment will be made at the appropriate time this summer. Remediation of areas impacted by grubs last summer/fall will be scheduled for reseeding and fertilization as required.

Mowing height in early spring is 2 ¾ inches until the end of May. This will be increased to 3 ¼ inches as the summer season progresses and lowered again as fall approaches. Conditions are constantly monitored to assure mowing heights are effective.

Corbett cautioned that homeowners who are using products to control weeds on their own property should not over apply the product. To do so can prove counterproductive. Homeowners are also reminded that watering lawns should be done in the morning or evening hours every other day, with an eye on the weather.

All questions and concerns with regard to lawn care should be directed to Wayne Hasty at 855-3468 or Whasty4703@aol.com

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Make Way for Ducklings!

The title of this famous children's book by Ohio author/illustrator Robert McCloskey makes an appropriate headline for activities taking place on many sites in the Dominion Club recently. Momma and poppa mallards seem to like our quiet neighborhood and, oddly, our driveways.

Nests have been made next to the garages of Janet and Tom Roth who have 12 eggs at this writing, and Jerry and Jean Ann Richardson with 10 eggs. The

mallards at Dan and Sarah Strahler's have chosen to nest along the driveway and at Bob and Kathy Hire's house they have preferred the patio as a more scenic nesting place.

Incubation time for the eggs averages about 28 days. If and when the eggs hatch, you might see momma mallard leading a little parade of ducklings westward toward Sugar Run.

Dean Farm-New Al bany East Intersection

The New Albany Village Street Department was contacted recently by the DCHA board about two issues regarding safety at this intersection.

They responded that there are no plans to ever make this intersection a four-way

stop. They see New Albany Rd. East as a "major" thoroughfare without numerous stops. They also do not plan to relocate the present southbound stop sign, believing that it is properly placed.

REMINDER...

FRIENDLY

As a courtesy to your neighbors, please remember to pick up after your dogs...

Getting to Know You

The communications committee would like to include articles of personal interest in future issues.

If you would be willing to be interviewed with regard to your hobbies, interests, travels, grandchildren, etc.

Please get in touch with:

- Carol Miceli at 939-5689 or cmiceli@insight.rr.com, or
- Karen Collins at 939-0730 or bcollins@insight.rr.com

Pool Issues

Tom Gyurko, board member with responsibility for the pool, says several pool concerns are currently being addressed by his committee.

Repair of a groundwater leak and painting

of the pool are in the works, but at the mercy of the weather. The committee is working to update the pool rules. Their aim is to have all completed for a Memorial Day weekend opening. Stay tuned.

Work Day

Saturday, May 6, will be a work day including painting and cleanup at the clubhouse and pool.

Call Barry Turner at 855-9554 or email bturner2@insight.rr.com if you can help.

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Board Browsings

- The Board has approved a contract with the Ace Blacktop Company to repair, seal coat, and restripe the clubhouse parking lot this spring.
- Plans are underway to contract with a professional firm to conduct a reserve study for the DCHA. Three firms have submitted bids for review. The study findings will provide direction and guidance for the board regarding anticipated ex-

penditures over the next several years for upkeep and/or replacement of facilities and other assets.

- Current DCHA assets at the end of March were:
 - \$9,381.90 cash in the operating account
 - \$20,396.46 cash in the reserve account, or
 - \$29,778.36 total current assets



If you have contributions for the newsletter or something to communicate to the Dominion Club community, contact a member of the Communications Committee:

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