



Poplar Estates Homeowners Association

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Neighborhood News

October 2011 Edition

FALL FESTIVAL IN THE PARK

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22ND FROM 4:30 - 7:00 P.M.
POPLAR ESTATES PARK
ALL RESIDENTS ARE INVITED

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the Poplar Estates Homeowners Association October Membership meeting and Fall festival for the entire family to be held on October 22nd from 4:30-7:00 p.m. at Poplar Estates Park. Entertainment will be provided by the *Minor Street Strings* bluegrass band. Food will be provided by the Association and will be grilled hotdogs, potato chips and cookies. Beef hotdogs will be available for those who don't eat pork. We will have a fire and supplies for you to roast marshmallows for s'mores. We will offer cold beverages and hot chocolate. Come enjoy the food and fellowship with your neighbors.



SMOKED TURKEY BREAST FOR THANKSGIVING

Champion cooker, Chris Vanelli has again agreed to use his talents and smoker to prepare bone-in smoked turkey breasts for our neighborhood. Each turkey breast will be 7.5 to 10 lbs and will cost \$30.00.

Turkeys can be picked up at 6965 Wynterhall Drive on Sunday afternoon, November 20th between 1:00 and 4:00 p.m., which is the Sunday before Thanksgiving. You can keep the turkey breast in the refrigerator and be ready for Thanksgiving. All proceeds after expenses will go to our Neighborhood Improvement fund.

To order, clip the order coupon in this newsletter and mail to PEHA, P. O. Box 382572, Germantown, TN 38183-2572 or call or email any of the following:

Billy Brown, 755-4961 bbrown6319@aol.com
Chris Vanelli 756-3875 chris@vanelli.net
Or email to: poplarestates@comcast.net

Order deadline is Tuesday, Nov. 15th @9:00 p.m.



We welcome anyone who is not a member of our Association to join us at this meeting. All that is required to join the PEHA is that you live in the Poplar Estates area and pay the \$25.00 membership dues per household. Membership forms will be available at the sign-in table. This is a great way to get to know your neighbors so bring your lawn chairs and help us celebrate our "Fall Festival".

Happy
Thanksgiving

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Tracy and I moved into the Poplar Estates neighborhood almost seven years ago. Like many of you, we moved here to raise our family and to take advantage of the excellent Germantown-area schools. We love living in Germantown and we especially love living in Poplar Estates. There is such a wonderful feeling of community.

Our neighborhood association does a great deal of work behind the scenes. I am very proud to serve as the President of the association. I look forward to meeting more neighbors and serving alongside selfless volunteers who organize events, communicate with the Board of Mayor and Aldermen, greet new neighbors, and much more. If you are interested in getting plugged in to the association as a volunteer, please email or call me: Jonathan@FraseProtection.com or 737-8371. The time requirement is minimal, approximately 1 hour per month. It is a great way to get to know your neighbors.

I look forward to seeing you at our next neighborhood event!

Jonathan Frase, President

FRONT GATE NEWS



We will set up the holiday decorations at the front gate on November 26th (Saturday after Thanksgiving Day). Please come to the front gate at 9:00 a.m. and help put up a display that will make our neighborhood proud. This is a lot of fun and usually does not take over two hours. Also mark your calendar for January 7th at 9:00 a.m. to help take down and store the Front gate decorations.

GERMANTOWN COMMUNITY LIBRARY

The Germantown Community Library is located at 1925 Exeter Road and can be reached by calling 757-7323. The library is fully owned and operated by the City of Germantown. The City subcontracts day-to-day management to Library Systems and Services, Inc. The staff is guided by policies developed by the Germantown Library Board, composed of seven citizens appointed by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen. Friends of the Germantown Community Library operate a used book store that is housed in the library.



Germantown Community Library....

- Promotes lifelong learning and a love of reading
- Informs, enriches and empowers every patron served
- Provides easy access to a wide variety of materials, services and programs
- Meets the personal, educational, cultural and professional information needs of the community

Library Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Friday and Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Sunday from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

eBooks and eAudiobooks:

Germantown Community Library now offers cardholders access to the new Download and Go eLibrary. Use this link, <http://downloadandgo.lib.overdrive.com>, to discover how to download titles to read or listen to on most computers and many mobile devices.

For more information on the Germantown Community Library, visit the City of Germantown's website www.germantown-tn.gov and click on Community Library.

POPLAR ESTATES GARDEN CLUB



On Saturday, September 10th, six members of the Poplar Estates Garden Club traveled to Holly Springs to attend the Hummingbird Migration Celebration 2011 at the Strawberry Plains Audubon Center. One of the highlights was watching and learning about banding hummingbirds.

Hummingbirds are 3.5 inches in length and weigh as much as a penny. Their resting heart rate is 250 beats per minute and when they are feeding it increases to 1200. The banding was performed by The Hummer/Bird Study Group who hold nearly 25% of the banding permits issued by the Bird Banding Laboratory.



The Garden Club's opening meeting was held on Monday, September 12th at the home of Joy Nichols and our guest speaker was Julie Wilson, Director of the Tennessee Federation of Garden Clubs District I. She spoke and demonstrated the art of Ikebana which is the Japanese art of formal flower arrangement with special regard shown to balance, harmony and form.



The Garden Club meets on the second Monday of each month, September through May at member homes at 7 p.m. Every month we learn about a variety of topics pertaining to gardening inside and out. Each month an expert from the Memphis area will speak and/or demonstrate something of interest to our members. Here's a sampling of what you could be learning about this year: clematis, African violets, hydrangeas, bonsai and cactus.

Our next meeting will be on October 10th at the home of Joan Norsworthy and the topic will be Native Plants presented by Susie Askew. For more information on how you can become a member, contact Joy Nichols, President, at 737-7444.

DECEMBER MEMBERSHIP MEETING AND HOLIDAY PARTY

Mark your calendar now for December 10th and plan to attend this family fun event at the Pickering Center. We will have entertainment and a great meal. Our planned menu will consist of traditional holiday fare including salad, special smoked turkey breast and smoked ham, yams, green vegetable, rolls, dessert and hot and cold beverages. The cost for this great evening of food and fun will be \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 13 and under or less depending on the entertainment we are able to line up. More details will be in our next newsletter and on the website.

RECIPE CORNER

Chocolate Cake

1-Box Duncan Hines Yellow Cake* Mix
1-Box (Small) Chocolate Instant Pudding
1-Cup Sour Cream
4-Eggs
½ Cup Oil
½ Cup water
1-12 ounce Pkg. Chocolate Chips

Combine all ingredients except Chocolate Chips. Grind ½ cup of the Chocolate Chips in Food Processor. Fold in the whole & ground up chips. Bake in greased Bundt Pan at 350 degrees for 50 to 60 minutes.

*May substitute Chocolate Cake Mix for Yellow Cake Mix for more rich chocolate.

Recipe submitted by Dena Anderson

In each newsletter we will feature a recipe that has been submitted to our website. Please send one of your favorites with your name to poplarestates@comcast.net.



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DON'T MISS:

- ❖ *Picnic in the Park*
~ *October 22nd*
- ❖ *Holiday Party*
~ *December 10th*
- ❖ *Chili Cook-off*
~ *February 21st*

**SMOKED TURKEY FOR THANKSGIVING
ORDER FORM**

NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT FUND

_____ smoked turkey breast @ \$30 each

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

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Mail to: PEHA, PO Box 382572, Germantown, TN 38138
Order Deadline Tues, Nov. 15th at 9 p.m.

Please Support Poplar Estates!
 Membership renewal coupon for those who cannot attend
 our meeting.

**Poplar Estates Homeowners Association
 P.O. Box 382572, Germantown, TN 38183-2572**

Enclosed is my check in the amount of \$25 for 2012 PEHA dues.

Enclosed is my contribution of \$ _____ to the Neighborhood Improvement Fund.

Last Name: _____

First Name(s): _____
 (Include husband's and wife's names for directory)

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

E-mail: _____

List my name in the membership directory Yes ___ No ___

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