



Poplar Estates Homeowners Association

"A Community within a Community"

Neighborhood News

April 2014 Edition

ITALIAN POTLUCK DINNER

Thursday, April 24th at 6 PM is the time and the Pickering Center is the place for food, fun, and fellowship with your neighbors. Make your plans to attend this exciting and tasty event. We have some great cooks in this neighborhood so we are asking you to prepare and bring your favorite Italian dish, whether salad, vegetable, or meat or entrée dish. The Association will provide beverages, dessert, garlic bread, and extra parmesan cheese. We did this before and the food was great.



Mayor Sharon Goldsworthy will speak to us about current events in Germantown, especially the Germantown School District. This is a meeting you will not want to miss so come on out, meet and visit with your neighbors, enjoy great Italian food and learn about what is going on in Germantown.

FRONT GATE REPORT

Our landscaping looks great and with the warmer weather the flowers will start to brighten up. We will start our maintenance soon by removing weeds and getting ready for spring. The irrigation system will be checked and started as soon as the weather permits. Thanks to Lance Hause of Jones Brothers Landscaping and his crew for a great job.

CHILI COOK-OFF

Our Chili cook-off in February was a great success with a nice crowd, delicious chili and a great speech by Alderman Mike Palazzolo. The chili improves each year.

Thanks to Sherrye Rhea, Jay Hardy, and Rock Janda for serving as judges.

Winners of the chili cook-off were:



- 1st Place Lisa Vanelli
- 2nd Place Bryan Crenshaw
- 3rd Place Sherri Rogers

Thanks to all who brought chili!

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

What is that bright light when I walk outside? **The Sun!** It's been a long time my friend. After a long, cold, groundhog shadowed winter, at the risk of jinxing the weather, spring seems to have sprung. A common question is whether the cold winter will have affected the bugs during spring and summer. To borrow from The Family Plot - *go to Antarctica or Alaska in summer, there are plenty of bugs.*

In the spirit of neighborhood and a shared mission to beautify our properties, let's all have a little fun. If you can work it into your color scheme, I want to encourage you to hang a basket of trailing flowers. Blue and yellow make an exciting color option but substituting one color for white or going all white is a more subtle but still pretty option. They take some watering diligence and if that's a problem, express the color scheme any way you can dream up! We wish you a happy and healthy Spring.

Joseph Vannucci

SMOKED SPIRAL HAM SALES

Master cooker Chris Vanelli will again use his grill and magic touch to smoke and/or glaze those delicious spiral hams for Easter this year. The cost is \$30 per ham and they will be available for pickup at 6965 Wynterhall on Saturday April 19, 2014 between 1:00 and 4:00 PM. All proceeds over cost will go to our neighborhood improvement fund.

To order you may call or email Billy Brown 755-4961, bbrown6319@aol.com ; Chris Vanelli 756-3875, chris@vanelli.net ; poplarestates@comcast.net. Orders must be received by 6 PM on Thursday April 17, 2014. When ordering please be sure to specify either "smoked" or "smoked and glazed".

POPLAR ESTATES GARDEN CLUB

The garden club will meet Monday, April 7, at the home of Martha Garner at 7 PM. The presenter will be Mary Helen Butler, Director of Education at the Botanic Gardens. She will take us on a "virtual tour", share the history and update us on current activities at the Garden. For more information about our club, please contact Connie Caplinger, 489-9493, for details.



Everyone is welcome!



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◆ **Garden Club**

April 7

◆ **Italian Pot Luck**

April 24

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RECIPE CORNER

Apricot-Orange Glaze Carrots



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| 16 medium carrots, sliced | 1 tablespoon brown sugar |
| 1 cup dried apricots, sliced | 1 teaspoon salt |
| 1 cup orange juice | ½ teaspoon grated orange peel |
| 2 tablespoons butter | ¼ teaspoon ground ginger |

Place 2 inches of water in large saucepan; add carrots. Bring to a boil. Then reduce heat, cover, and simmer for 10-11 minutes. Drain and set aside. In same pan, combine the remaining ingredients; cook and stir until lightly thickened. Return carrots to the pan; stir until glazed and heated through. Serves 12.

Send your recipes to recipecorner@poplarestates.net

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Please make your check payable to PEHA in the amount of \$25 for 2013/14.

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List my name in the membership directory: Yes No