

Churchill Downs Community Association Newsletter

Churchill Downs Neighborhood
Did you know?

Wainwright Park June 19, 2018

6:30-8:00pm

- Area – 0.586 square miles
- Populations – 3,177
- Most houses were built in the 1960's
- Over 850 Households
- 53.2% are Family Households as compared to 37.9% city wide.
- 23.1% are Married Couple Family with Children as compared to 20% city wide.
- 23.8 % are Foreign Born Residents as compared to 6% city wide.



Sponsored by CDCA May 5, 2018

A free Garbage truck at Wainwright School Parking Lot for CDCA residents to clean out their yards, garages, basements, etc.

Tune Up in the Park at Wainwright School
An opportunity for kids and adults to "Tune Up" their bicycles. Tire repair, chain repair, brake repair and much more!



Celebrating 125 Years of Professional Law Enforcement

Mike Yankowski, Chief

May 5, 2018
10:00am-5:00pm
Lansing Center

Historical photos and memorabilia, demonstrations, and information booths by LPD Special Units such as K-9 Unit and Dive Team.

Kids' Activities – Coloring books, photo booth, craft table, scavenger hunt and obstacle course.

Protect your Identity

- Don't share your Social Security number unless truly necessary, such as required by law. You often have options for verification other than providing your SSN.
- If you receive an email from someone you don't know, be careful! It may be a phishing attempt, designed to fool you into providing information to an identity thief.
- Report any events that threaten your identity, such as stolen credit cards.

City of Lansing Ordinances

Top 5 Neighborhood Safety Tips

Curfew

No person 12 years old or under shall be upon or in any public street, highway, alley, park, vacant lot or other public place between 10:00pm and 6:00am”

No person 13 through 16 years old shall be upon or in any public street, highway, alley, park, vacant lot or other public place between 12:00midnight and 6:00am. There are certain exceptions but if you suspect a curfew violation, please notify the police at 483-4600.

Grass

All premises shall be free of weeds and grass eight inches or more in height. If you fail to do this, the city will hire someone to do it and you will be assessed an administrative fee.

Dogs

*No dog owner shall permit his or her dog run at large within the City. A dog running at large in violation of this chapter at least twice within any continuous six-month period of time is hereby deemed to be a nuisance.

*A dog owner is required to confine or secure his

or her dog within the limits of the owner's premises, except when the dog is securely tethered on a leash and under the control of a person holding the leash who is capable of restraining the dog at all times.

Peddlers, Solicitors, Transient Merchants

No person shall engage in the business of peddler, solicitor, canvasser, transient merchant, itinerant vendor in the city without first obtaining a license therefor as provided in sections 844.01 to 844.18, unless engaging in such business connected with a special event for which a permit has been obtained through the parks and recreation department.

Prohibited noises generally

No person shall make, or continue, cause or permit to be made, verbally or mechanically, any unnecessary noise disturbance. Noncommercial public speaking and public assembly activities conducted on any public space or public right of way shall be exempt from this section, except as otherwise provided herein.



The days of leaving your doors unlocked all time are gone. Everyone wants to feel and be safe in their homes and neighborhood.

Tip 1 – Know Your Neighbors

Get to know when your neighbors work, if they have children and what they look like. Know whether or not any of your neighbors are elderly and living alone. The more you know about your neighbors the easier it is to pick out anything that looks suspicious or anyone that may be out of place.

Tip 2 – Security System

A security system will help protect your home from intruders. As more and more people within a neighborhood add a security system, the amount of crime will be reduced. Though this might not directly add to neighborhood safety it might encourage a burglar to go to a different neighborhood.

Tip 3 – Close Your Blinds/Windows at Night

When it's dark out and you have the lights on, anyone can see into your home without you knowing they are there. A potential intruder could scope out the items you have within your home, the layout of it, and how many people live there. Leaving a window open gives an intruder an easy way to get into your home.

Tip 4 – Light Up your House and Yard

All neighborhoods have street lights, but these are not the only way to light up your neighborhood at night. Turn your porch light on at night and install motion-sensor lights in areas that may be dark, such as the back and sides of your house. This will ensure intruders do not have a place to hide.

Tips 5 – Take Precautions When Going Out of Town

Make sure that you let your neighbors know and ask if they will help keep an eye on your house. Ask them if anyone would be willing to cut your lawn or shovel snow for you. You could also set up a timer for the lights inside and outside of your home to turn on and off at certain times. These things will give the appearance that you are still home. Sometimes neighborhood safety can be an illusion but if it detours criminals then it's adding to your neighborhood safety

South Lansing Farmers Market



Thursdays 3-7pm May 24-October 18
800 W. Barnes-St. Casmir Parking Lot

Churchill Downs resident Kathy Tobe is the manager at the Farmers Market. Contact South Lansing CDA for more information 374-5700.

2018 Hawk Island Triathlons

Kids: Saturday, June 2/Sprint/Olympic: Sunday, June 3

The Hawk Island Triathlon is a beginner-friendly event designed to welcome and encourage people of all ages, shapes, sizes and abilities as they venture into the world of triathlon. Sprint/Olympic participants range in age from 8 to 80+. That's no joke... our most seasoned racer this year is 82 years young!

The Sprint is a perfect distance for newbies, as well as experienced athletes who like a "warm-up" event for the summer triathlon season. We also offer a more challenging Olympic distance for those ready to hit the ground (swimming, biking, and) running!

The Kids race has three categories with varying distances for ages 2-14. We have toddler triathletes! The swim course is shallow enough that all kids can touch, and the entire Kids race is within Hawk Island County Park, providing optimum safety for racers & visibility for parents.

In many cases, multiple generations of family members train and race together. To the extent possible, we will happily work with racers to accommodate mobility, visual and hearing challenges.

Not ready to tri it alone? We've got you covered with relay options in both distances.

South Lansing Urban Gardens (SLUG)

South Lansing CDA partners with the Garden Project of the Greater Lansing Food Bank to operate the Hill Garden Complex.



Our AmeriCorps member, Jean Aldrich Simmons, manages food production in a 96x20 passive solar hoop house and adjacent garden plots. We've already harvested winter salad mix, which was donated to the Southside Community Kitchen.

We combine resources with the Garden Project manage production of plant starts in the 30x60 heated greenhouse. These are available to home and community gardeners starting in May. Starting this fall, Jean will grow food year round in the greenhouse.

The Garden Resource Center is located in a small room behind the herb atrium, just west of the greenhouse. The Center will be open two days a week and by appointment for home and community gardeners to get seeds and plant starts, borrow tools, and consult with Jean on all topics related to gardening.

Webster Farm Community Garden – This project in south west Lansing is a collaborative effort involving South Lansing Community Development Association, Ingham County Land Bank's Garden Program, the Garden Project of the Greater Lansing Food Bank, community gardeners from the former Jolly Grove Garden, neighborhood residents, and many more. We are also happy to have dozens of families from refugee and immigrant populations involved in the visioning, planning, and gardening of the nearly 2 acre Webster Farm. Interested in having your very own garden plot this gardens?

Email gardens@southlansing.org

Important Numbers

Mayor	483-4141
Code Compliance	483-4361
Fire (non-emergency)	483-4200
Garbage/Compost/Recycle	483-4400
Graffiti & Pothole	483-4161
Health Department	887-4300
Human Relations/Community Services	483-4477
Human Services Hotline	211
Income Tax/Treasurer	483-4114
Lansing City Clerk	483-4131
Lansing City Council	483-4177
Michigan Works	492-5500
Neighborhood Watch	483-4469
Parks and Recreation	483-4277
Planning/Neighborhood Development	483-4060
Police (non-emergency)	483-4600
Police (Chief of Police office)	483-4800
Power Outage Hotline	877-BWL-5001
Property Tax/Treasurer	483-4121
Tri County Office on Aging	887-1440

Churchill Downs Community Association
Officers and Board Members

Officers

Mike Redding, President 449-2980
Sam Horton, Vice-President
Judy Redding, Treasurer
Veda Dove-Washington, Secretary

Board Members

Joe Price
Larry McConnell
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Gloria Bank

Web: www.churchilldownslansing.info

Facebook: Churchill Downs Community Association

Meeting: 3rd Tuesday, 6:30pm at Wainwright School

Adam Hussain, 3rd Ward City Council Representative
Office – 483.4191
Cell – 282.1352
Email: adam.hussain@lansingmi.gov

Meetings: Southwest Constituent Contact will be on the second Saturday of the month 10:00am-Noon at Fire Station 46.

In an emergency, always call 911. For suspected criminal activity which is not an emergency please call the non-emergency number, 483-4600, or use the on-line report form which is available at www.lansingmi.gov/online_crime_reporting.

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