

Churchill Downs Newsletter

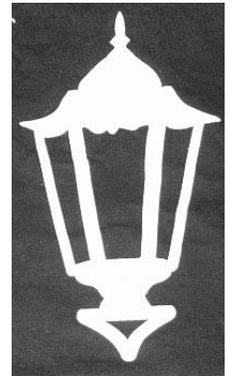
Mission Statement

To contribute to the community by supporting and initiating activities beneficial to the community, the City of Lansing and society in general. To work cooperatively in solving problems affecting the health, safety and general welfare of Community residents. To establish effective communication links between the Association, residents, local government, and other community organizations.

Churchill Downs is electing new leaders this fall. If you want your voice to be heard, attend the meetings and cast your vote.

Autumn blue-week pickup dates for Recycling Carts are:

- **October 1, 15, 29**
- **November 12, 26**
- **December 10, 24**



Community Pledge

I pledge to give a portion of my time, a portion of my energy, and a portion of my resources to the community in which I live. And to set examples, not by token words I say, or by looking the other way, but by contributing whenever I'm able to help enrich the lives of my neighbors. Here, I make all my pledges in unity, reaping in return a great community.

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Meeting Time : third Tuesday at 6:30 PM
At Faith United Methodist Church
4301 Waverly Road, Lansing, MI 48911

Public Opinion

Last Year a man took advantage of weaknesses in the way Lansing government is structured to obtain a golden parachute when he left the Board of Water and Light. Now someone is trying us use a Charter Amendment to avoid any repetition. Unfortunately the cure may do more harm than good. Requiring that board members and Department heads be confirmed annually is an unworkable solution. The city has too many vacancies already, And a candidate who might take a job which lasts four years might think twice about having to be confirmed every year. In my opinion this Charter Amendment deserves a no vote.

Sincerely William Hubbell

Remember your pets in cold weather

Animal Control officers will be watching for signs of neglect. If you leave your pet out nights, be sure they have a warm place to sleep, or at least dry straw for bedding. An officer will, if they see neglect, actually reach over a fence and take an animal with them.

Leaf Pickup Ends November 26

Churchill Downs is full of trees. Every year those trees shed their leaves. Unless you have special permission you cannot burn leaves in the city of Lansing. If you put them in plastic bags you will need a private hauler because the city will not accept them packed that way. However, the City Public Service Department will accept them in paper yard bags on the regular trash pickup dates, provided you do so before the last pickup date. This year that date is Thursday, November 26, 2015.

The Snow Shoveling of Driveways

The City of Lansing expects its residents to shovel snow and ice off sidewalks and driveways. Please be advised that City Ordinance prohibits residents plowing the snow into the street and then leaving it there. Be kind to your neighbors- put the snow where we don't have to drive over it.

Bring a
guest to
our
meeting

Receive
a free
raffle
ticket

Presidents Perspective

Often the best way to help a community, is to invest in it and a part of that investment is strengthening our commitment for a successful neighborhood through simple volunteering.

Most of us, including myself, who grew up before the 1970s, know the joys of living in a neighborhood. As children, this was our playground and the neighbors were our friends. When we became parents, our neighborhood was our sanctuary and the neighbors our support system. How would you describe your neighborhood today? Do you know everyone on the block? Do you feel safe and secure in there? Is your neighborhood comprised of a community of people working together toward a common goal or individual families living independent lives? Unfortunately the latter characterizes many neighborhoods today. Why, you're busy. Families finally get together after a busy day away and after school activities, the last thing they want to do is socialize with neighbors. Plus, we hesitate meeting our neighbors and making new friends in order to avoid the pain of the inevitable *good bye*. Well, I challenge each of you to volunteer, even if that only means attending a once a month Churchill Downs Community Association meeting.

Candidates on Ballot November 3

Our neighborhood precinct is located in the Wainwright Building.

Councilmember at large nominees are:

- Emily DievenDorf
- Harold Leeman
- Patricia Spitzley
- Carol Wood

The third Ward Seat, (which includes Churchills Downs Community Association), nominees are:

- A'Lynne Bolesor
- Adam Hussain

WHY VOLUNTEER?

#10: It's good for you.

#9: It saves resources.

#8: Volunteers gain professional experience.

#7: It brings people together.

#6: It promotes personal growth and self esteem.

#4: You learn a lot.

#3: You get a chance to give back.

#2: Volunteering encourages civic responsibility.

#1: You make a difference.

Every person counts!

Significant Dates

October 31 Halloween

November 1 DST ends

November 3 Election Day

November 20 Silver Bells

November 26 Thanksgiving

December 15

CDCA Christmas Party

December 21

school on winter break

December 25 Christmas

Churchill Downs meets

• ***October 20***

• ***November 17***

• ***December 15***

all meetings at 6:30



VOTE
November 3, 2015
 at
Wainwright
Building.

October 2015

Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sat
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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25	26	27	28	29	30	31

November 2015

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December 2015

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