# Churchill Downs Newsletter

Churchill Downs Community Association
November-December 2024

### Upcoming Events

#### **Churchill Downs**

#### **Community Meeting**

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month, 6:30-8pm, Alfreda Schmidt Community Center. We will not be meeting in January.

# 3rd Ward Constituent Contact Meeting

Meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at 10am at the Alfreda Schmidt Community Center to converse with City Council member Adam Hussain.

#### Stay Connected

For more regular updates visit our website: churchilldownslansing.info

Facebook Page: Churchill Downs Community Association

Facebook Group: Neighbors of Churchill Downs

Email: Churchilldownslansing@ gmail.com In Churchill Downs, we get together as neighbors to support and initiate activities that benefit our community, work cooperatively to solve problems, and establish communication links between neighbors and local government/other organizations. Everyone has a part to play in making our neighborhood an enjoyable place to live, and we are glad to have you with us.

#### **November CDCA Meeting**

Elections for the CDCA Vice President, Treasurer, and three At-Large Board members will take place at the November Community Meeting (11/19 at 6:30pm). Nominations were taken at October's meeting and each of the current members in those open positions are running again for their same positions with no opposition. Come to the meeting to hear a little more about each of these neighbors, to learn how to get involved in upcoming neighborhood activities, and/or to share any concerns/solutions you have about the neighborhood.

#### Attending BWL Meetings

A few of our neighbors went to a public meeting held by the Lansing Board of Water and Light to hear more about their rate increases. One of the conclusions of the meeting was that if residents are opposed to future rate increases, it would be beneficial for them to attend BWL board meetings to voice their opposition. It looks like their meetings are generally on the fourth Tuesday of the month, though in November their meeting is held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday. Here is where you can check out the exact times and dates of their meetings:

https://www.lbwl.com/about-bwl/governance/board-meetings

## **Christmas Party**

Each year for our December monthly meeting we have a Christmas Party! This year it will be on Tuesday, December 17, from 6:30-8pm at the Alfreda Schmidt Community Center. Bring your family, a dish to pass, and plan to connect with your neighbors. We traditionally also have a raffle to raise funds for CDCA, so you can bring cash to participate, a fun raffle prize to donate, or both! There are a couple other festivities that happen at the party including:

#### Shining Light Award

We will announce the winner of this year's Shining Light Award. This award is given to a neighbor who consistently goes above and beyond for their neighbors and is a shining light in this community. If you have a neighbor you would like to nominate for this award, please send your nomination (the name of the neighbor and why they are a shining light) to Elizabeth at <a href="mailto:hossinke@gmail.com">hossinke@gmail.com</a> by December 2.

#### Christmas Light Competition

A week or two before the party, our neighbor Mike Redding drives through the neighborhood and takes pictures of all the houses with Christmas lights. Then at the Christmas Party you all will get a chance to vote on your favorite three houses. Thanks in advance to everyone who will be contributing to the holiday cheer!

