



# Colonial Village Newsletter

*November 2003*

## **ANNUAL CVNA PICNIC**

On August 4<sup>th</sup> approximately 250 neighbors attended the CVNA Annual Picnic at Elmhurst Elementary School. It was such a great time to see people sitting in their lawn chairs enjoying themselves and the good food. The grillers had as much fun grilling as they did eating. The kids enjoyed jumping in the moonwalk and getting sprayed by the Fire Department. Thanks to Kris Glatz for her artistic talent as she painted faces. A special thanks to all of the volunteers who assisted with the picnic. A big thanks for those of you who attended. Hope you can join us next year.

## **CSO PROJECT**

The CSO Project and Traffic Calming installation will end by Thanksgiving. All roadwork will be completed. Some planting and restoration will be done in the spring. If you have questions, please call the CSO Hotline at 394-5566.

## **A SPECIAL THANK YOU!**

Board Members and the Association wish to thank June Kenfield and Diane Krantz for their outstanding service to CVNA. Under June's leadership we were kept well-informed during the CSO/Traffic Calming projects. Her active role in making sure the needs of the neighborhood were heard helped to facilitate the project. Diane has been an efficient secretary that any organization would welcome. We hope that both June and Diane will continue to be active members of CVNA.

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## **HOLIDAY HOME LIGHTING**

CVNA is sponsoring our Fifth Annual Holiday Home Lighting Competition to recognize our neighbors who do an outstanding job of decorating the outside of their homes in celebration of the holiday season. No need to enter this competition; we'll find you! We hope to recruit judges from the Colonial Woods Senior Apartments who will be given the task of selecting the most festive, creative, and imaginative home decorations. Judging will occur December 9 – 22nd depending on the judges' availability and the weather. Winners will be notified by mail before January 10. Prizes will be awarded at the January CVNA meeting.

## **RED HOLIDAY BOWS ON STREET LIGHTS**

Thanks to a good neighbor, Ann Leeper, Boston Blvd. will have red bows on all the street lights in December. June Kenfield is organizing the project; please call her at 882-2983 to help put up the bows. The Board of Water and Light has given us permission to place the bows on the street lights with the cement bases. We encourage you to work in pairs to hold the ladder and hand up bows. As a reminder, CVNA does not have insurance coverage for projects so any injuries would need to be covered by personal insurance. The Board of Water and Light has asked us to sign a waiver so that they are not liable for accidents. We encourage you to get together with your neighbors to decorate your street. How about holly wreaths on Holly Way?

## RANDY WILLIAMS ELECTED

Congratulations to Randy Williams on his successful campaign for 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Councilmember. Randy was a founder and President of CVNA for three years. He believes that strong neighborhoods build a strong city. Randy has been a valuable voice for CVNA. We look forward to seeing him at our monthly meetings.

## DONATIONS WELCOME

CVNA funds services and programs through individual donations and project-specific grants. Please help us to continue our mission by sending a donation in the form of a check or money order made payable to CVNA, to the CVNA Treasurer **Jim Beckwith, 2000 Holly Way, Lansing, MI 48910.**

## NOVEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Have you thought about attending a CVNA meeting but haven't gotten around to it? Please join us for our next meeting. It will be an excellent opportunity to learn more about the Colonial Village Neighborhood Association. For updates on CVNA projects and neighborhood news, go to our website at [cvnanews.com](http://cvnanews.com).

## FUTURE CVNA MEETINGS

Here are the dates and times for upcoming meetings. **All membership meetings are held on the third Wednesday of the month at Grace United Methodist Church at 7 p.m. unless otherwise noted.**

November 19, 2003	February 18, 2004
December/No meeting	March 17, 2004
January 21, 2004	

## NEW BOARD MEMBERS

President	Anita Beavers	#882-0015
V- President	Anne Wilson	#374-6460
Secretary	Willie Vinson	#482-8724
Treasurer	Jim Beckwith	#394-4704
Area One	Michael Morofsky	#484-9012
Area Two	Barry Ford	#485-9008
Area Three	Greg Kozak	#887-2901

## 2004 PLANS

CVNA meetings in 2004 will follow the completion of the CSO project and Traffic Calming measures. We will also keep members informed of the progress of the MLK Corridor and how it will affect our area. The possibility of changes due to the new ownership of Logan Center will also be on future agendas.

We hope to have speakers from the newly-formed neighborhood associations that border our area and from area schools and businesses.

We welcome all suggestions for future meetings and/or projects and look forward to an active membership and an increase in volunteer participation.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

**Callers to remind of the monthly meetings**

**Neighbors to hang red bows on street lights**

**One or two people to put up seven yard signs to announce monthly meetings**

**Members to deliver semi-annual newsletters door-to-door**

**Neighbors to help with special projects**

**To volunteer, call Anita Beavers at 882-0015.**

## HAPPY HOLIDAYS!