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# LANCASTER NEWS



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### **Streetlight Project Update**

Thank you to everyone who took time to share your opinions on the Streetlight Project. Strong feelings were expressed both for and against this project. We are aware that this issue is very important to many of our neighbors.

Of our 253 homes in the subdivision, 53 homeowners (21%) responded that they were not in favor of streetlights.

The Board of Directors met on May 8, counted the submissions and, based on the results, voted to move forward with the project.

Now Macomb Township will put our request on the agenda for an upcoming township board meeting and each Lancaster Subdivision homeowner will receive official information from the township about the project and how, when and where to express your support or opposition.

The project map and details are on our website.

#### A Message from the President

## By Jeanette Menig

I am excited to present to you our first edition of the Lancaster News, a newsletter for the Lancaster Subdivision homeowners. The Board of Directors is hopeful that this forum will facilitate information sharing between the homeowners and the board. We plan to create future issues on a semi-annual basis, or more frequently if needed.

In addition to the newsletter, one of the goals for the association in 2006 is the formation of homeowner-lead committees for special projects. We welcome volunteers for committees such as Activities, Landscape Review, Neighborhood Watch, Welcoming, or other committees in which there is an interest. Please send your contact information to our PO Box or email us at info@lancastersub.com if you would like to volunteer for a committee. We are seeking committee chairpersons and members.

Another goal is to improve our snow removal service. I know it is difficult to think about snow this time of year, but we will be investigating new companies to solicit bids for snow removal and we welcome any suggestions for reliable providers. Please contact us if you have suggestions.

I hope you enjoy the newsletter and have a wonderful Summer!

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## Subdivision Garage Sale

A Subdivision Garage Sale is planned for **June 8, 9 and 10**.



We will place newspaper advertisements and put signs at the subdivision entrance. Everyone is invited to participate.

#### **Group Trash Discounts**

Last year the Board of Directors solicited proposals from the trash haulers that service Macomb Township to try to negotiate a Group Trash Discount for the entire subdivision. Unfortunately, the trash companies did not present competitive bids, so we were unable to create a package that would be a discount for all homeowners.

However, it's been in the news lately that Macomb Township will negotiate with the companies to have just one provider for the township.

## We Welcome our Newest Board Member

The Lancaster Subdivision Association Board of Directors has a new face. Our newest board member is Ben Pugliesi. He became our new Secretary at the Annual Homeowners meeting on April 11, 2006. His term is a 2 year commitment. Kevin Burks, our previous Director-at-Large, also has renewed his commitment for this position until 2008.

The remaining board positions will be expiring in April of 2007. They are currently held by: Jeanette Menig (President), Jeff Stenzel (Vice-President), and Steve Francis (Treasurer).

Upcoming Board Meetings June 5 \* July 10 \* August 7 Each meeting is 7:00 PM at the Clinton-Macomb Library North Branch (24 Mile Road). Check the website for schedule updates.

How to contact the Board of Directors

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#### Reminders!

Homeowners can download a copy of the Covenants, Easements and Restrictions (a.k.a. the Subdivision Rules) from our website **www.lancastersub.com** or send a request to the PO Box and we will mail a copy to you.

#### **BE A GOOD NEIGHBOR**

- It will soon be travel and vacation season remember <u>motor homes, campers, boats and trailers</u> cannot be stored outside of your garage for extended periods of time.
- Clean up after your pets it's the right thing to do!
- Keep your yard tidy that means mowing, trimming, weeding, and removing dead plants.
- Trash cans and garbage shouldn't be stored in front of your house put trash curbside no sooner than the night before pick-up.
- Remove your holiday lights in a timely manner if they're still up, it's been too long.

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