## MCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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## Maplewood Community Association

## Newsletter

## Mark your Calendars

## March $12^{\text {th }}$ Friday

Registration begins Fort Wayne Parks Amazing Race 2010 (details inside)
March $14^{\text {th }}$ Sunday * Daylight saving time begins
March $22^{\text {nd }}$ Monday
Directors Meeting @ Lahmeyer Fire Station 7:00 pm - reserved
March $25^{\text {th }}$ Thursday
Registration deadline Amazing Race 2010 (details inside)
April $3^{\text {rd }}$ Saturday
Easter Bunny IOam - Ipm (details inside)
April $4^{\text {th }}$ Sunday * Easter
April $17^{\text {th }}$ Saturday
Fort Wayne Parks Amazing Race 2010 (details inside)
April $26^{\text {th }}$ Monday
Directors Meeting @ Lahmeyer Fire Station 7:00 pm - reserved
May $6^{\text {th }}$ Thursday - May $8^{\text {th }}$ Saturday
Association Spring Garage Sale
May $9^{\text {th }}$ Sunday * Mother's Day
May $25^{\text {th }}$ Tuesday
Officers Meeting TBD (Lahmeyer Fire Station 7:00 pm - reserved)
May $31{ }^{\text {st }}$ Monday * Memorial Day
1 June $20^{\text {th }}$ Sunday * Father's Day
July $4^{\text {th }}$ Sunday / $5^{\text {th }}$ Monday * Independence Day
August $24^{\text {th }}$ Tuesday
Directors Meeting @ Lahmeyer Fire Station 7:00 pm - reserved
September 6 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ Monday * Labor Day
September $9^{\text {th }}$ Thursday - September $1 I^{\text {th }}$ Saturday
Association Fall Garage Sale
September $18^{\text {th }}$ Friday - September $19^{\text {th }}$ Saturday * Johnny Appleseed Festival
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October General Meeting Door Prizes Donated By: Pappa Murphy’s Pizza Stellhorn Subway Marco's Pizza Ziffle's Rib Bar Scott’s / Kroger Kentucky Fried Chicken Cracker Barrel Mike's Car Wash

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$\propto$ ৫ For safety reason, children should not enter the street.
$\&$ Motorists, please do not attempt to pass the Easter Bunny.
If you can help shuttle the Bunny through the neighborhood, call Larry.

## Fort Wayne Parks Amazing Race 2010

April 17th 9am-2pm * Franke Park Pavilion \#1, Sherman Blvd. Registration March 12 - March 25 * Max. 40 team so don't wait!

MCA will sponsor teams of neighbors!
Per park department rules, teams must consist of 4 members:
1 member must be 50 years old or older
1 member must be between 8 and 12 years old
2 members over 8 years old
Teams are responsible for their own transportation; will receive a T-shirt; top 3 teams win special prizes; victory party at the end of the race.

Want to be on a part of the Amazing Race?
Call Larry for either placement on a team or with your team of 4 (neighbors/family).

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Spring - May 6th Thursday - Saturday May 8th
Fall - Sept. 9th Thursday - Saturday Sept. 11 th
MCA will place a newspaper ad and post entrance signs.


MCA 2003
Let's boot those shivers with a pre-spring $\qquad$ $!$

Submit your input for a proposed fun and casual social event slated for late January or February. (Pending input, participation, and funding.)

Congratulations 2009

## Holiday Lighting Winners

6814 Sunland
6525 Sunland
6405 Birchdale
6818 Kirkdale

Wise Living Tips
Remember to cut debris into 2 foot lengths and bundle for trash pickup

Recycle when you can.

Report ANY SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY to the police: Non-Emergency calls 427-1222
Website http://www.fwpd.org/daily/

## Census 2010 Can use your help

Needed-Census Takers for 2010 Census.
$\checkmark$ Temporary - part-time
$\checkmark$ Good pay
$\checkmark$ Flexible evening and weekend hours
$\checkmark$ Work near home.
Call 1-866-861-2010
Website www.2010censusjobs.gov
The Census allows everyone fair representation.

## Mid-Fiscal Year Report to <br> Members

Membership dues 70\% paid (76\% the same time last year);
The heavier snow increased removal expenses $62 \%$ over the previous year; The Board passed a motion for professional entrance landscaping bids;
VP of Social and VP of Publicity officer positions are vacant;
Social activities for the summer have been trimmed and altered;
Newsletter publications will be reduced with less social events;
Spring General Meeting has been canceled;
Members are always welcome at any Director's Meeting;
Call 1 week in advance to place items on the Director's agenda.
Active participation and help allows us to move forward!

Spring Gardening Tips

Choose plants:
\& Plant when ground crumbles when squeezed - not wet
© Perennials - come up yearly - allow foliage to grow after flowers fade for next year's nutrients
$\propto$ Annuals - last for a summer, often have bolder colors
© Sh Shubs
$\propto$ Trees

Clean the Bird Feeder or Bird Bath:
© $1 / 4$ cup of bleach to 2 gallons of water
$\leftrightarrow$ R Rinse and Dry
© Refill

Start a Compost Pile:
© Fenced in area
$\propto$ One part green - grass clippings, fresh leaves
$\propto$ One part brown - dried leaves, dirt
© T Turn regularly
© Water if needed
Q Rich mulch in one year!
Articles for more information:
Purdue Extension Office:
http://www.hort.purdue.edu/ext/ho-91.pdf
Martha Stewart:
http://www.marthastewart.com/article/spring-gardening-tips
Garden Love to Know:
http://garden.lovetoknow.com/wiki/ Gardening_Zone 5

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