

DeWeese-Ridgecrest Civic Association

We have a lot more planned for 2019. Mark your calendar for these upcoming events!

EVENT	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Draft Day Family Football Experience	Saturday, April 27	2 - 6 PM	Triangle Field (get free tickets at City recreation centers, starting April 22)
Spring DRCA Meeting: A Night at the Playhouse	Thursday, May 2	Doors open at 6:30 PM	Socializing and <i>Mamma Mia</i> at the Dayton Playhouse, 1301 East Siebenthaler Avenue
2019 Designer's Showhouse and Gardens	May 3 thru May 19	Daily from 11:00 AM	Leland Mansion at 1375 East Siebenthaler Avenue; shuttle buses available from the Wegerzyn Center
Neighborhood Garage Sale	Saturday, May 18	All day	Contact Becky Drawing (287-5345) or Michelle Moser (604-9339)
Art in the Garden Affaire	Saturday, June 15	10:00 AM - 5:00 PM	The Art Affaire is held at 2919 Ensley Avenue; there will be many artists and their artwork
First Annual DRCA Kayaking Adventure	A Saturday this summer	Saturday afternoon	Date and details TBA (check the next DRCA newsletter)
Bike & Brew: A Ride to Dayton Brew Pubs	Saturday, August 10	1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Meet at the Nichols Tennis Center Parking Lot 2424 Ridge Avenue, with your bicycle and thirst



Help Keep Your Neighborhood Strong! Pay Your 2019 Dues Now!

The DeWeese Ridgecrest Civic Association (DRCA) is collecting membership dues for 2019. Dues are only \$10 a household. The money we collect from dues allows us to provide a number of services to you and your neighbors such as renting a room for our meetings, providing meeting refreshments and food for annual events, maintaining our new website, and promoting your neighborhood with a garden tour, art show and neighborhood-garage sale. We also offer neighborhood news email updates.

Please help us continue to provide these important services by completing this membership form, bringing it to a neighborhood association meeting, or mailing it with your dues to:

Kathy Bole, DRCA Treasurer, 3603 Hillmont Avenue, Dayton, OH 45414

If paying by check, make your check out to DRCA. Membership questions? Ask Becky Drawing, Membership Co-Chair, at 287-5345 or at bdrawing@sbcglobal.net.

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2019 DeWeese Ridgecrest Civic Association Dues	
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Address:	_____
Phone Number:	_____
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(If you wish to begin receiving neighborhood news via email, please provide us with your email address.)	



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The Newsletter of an Urban Forested Neighborhood Five Minutes from Downtown

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One of the primary ways that the DeWeese-Ridgecrest Civic Association (DRCA) conducts its business is to hold four quarterly meetings for our general membership. But that doesn't mean that those meetings have to be boring!



Last year we debuted a new addition to our meeting routine: meeting at the **Dayton Playhouse at Wegerzyn Center**, where we then watched the Premier performance of *My Fair Lady*. You told us you had a great time, so we're doing it again! On **Thursday evening, May 2nd**, the DRCA will meet, conduct some business, and then do some show business.

The doors will open at **6:30 p.m.** We'll provide Greek appetizers and drinks, we'll meet and socialize, and then at **8:00 p.m.** we'll watch *Mamma Mia*, the live hit musical featuring the songs of ABBA and taking place on a beautiful Greek island.

Our guest mixologists will have some special themed libations for you, and our creative chefs will provide the kind of appetizers that those life-loving Greek villagers would expect.

All DRCA members will receive a **free ticket** to the evening's performance.

Not a DRCA member yet? Just come anyway! Non-members and guests can purchase tickets for \$5 apiece. What a deal!

Better yet, consider joining DRCA when you arrive (\$10 per household per year) and reap all the benefits of membership, including the tickets to the show!

We'll update you on the important events, issues and decisions that are impacting our neighborhood, and get your take on where we're going and what we need to do. Please mark your calendar and join us for an evening of theatre and friends!

Spring 2019 Edition

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DeWeese Ridgecrest Spring Meeting:

**A Night at the Playhouse:
*Mamma Mia!***

**Thursday, May 2nd
Doors Open at 6:30 p.m.
DRCA Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
Performance Begins at 8:00 p.m.**

**Dayton Playhouse
at Wegerzyn Garden Center
1301 East Siebenthaler Avenue**

See you on the 2nd!

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Masthead Photo :
Prairie Coneflowers, Wegerzyn
- by Ann Schenking



ASK
DR. DEWEESE

Dr. DeWeese is our expert on neighborhood issues of every kind. Questions for the good doctor can be sent to the DRCA Newsletter Editor at mherrlein@woh.rr.com.

Dear Dr. DeWeese,

I've heard through the grapevine about FANS (Fraud Alert Notification System). What is it and should I care?

Sincerely,
Just Wondering

Dear Wondering,

While women of the Good Doctor's age might wish there were fans everywhere, the Montgomery County Recorder's FANS system guards against property and mortgage fraud. This crime occurs when someone records fraudulent deeds, liens, and other false documents that makes it look as though they are the current owner of your home or other real estate. The fraudulent "owner" then may attempt to sell your property, take out a loan against it, or if it's vacant, rent it, or even move into it. Yikes!

If you own property in Montgomery County, you can help protect yourself by signing up for FANS. It's FREE and easy. Just call them at 225-4275 or go on-line to www.mcrecorder.org and click on Recorder Launches New Fraud Alert Notification System. FANS will alert you when a document is recorded concerning the property you registered. I personally registered the Good Doctor's abode with the system in a matter of minutes.

Dear Dr. DeWeese,

We've got these great rivers all around us and I'd like to learn how to row. Any advice on how to do that?

Sincerely,
Rowing Wannabe

Dear Wannabe,

Conveniently located at the southern edge of our great neighborhood across from Island Park is the world headquarters and boathouse of the Greater Dayton Rowing Association. The GDRA focuses on recreational rowing to competitive racing for adults ages 18-103. The Good Doctor knows a 100-year-old neighbor who would probably make a very good rower, but the Good Doctor digresses. The club is about half men and half women and is sponsoring a **FREE Discover Rowing Day on Saturday, May 11, 10 a.m.- 2 p.m.**

Learn-To-Row classes are held in May, June and July. This is a great way to get out on one of our beautiful neighborhood rivers, the Great Miami, and tick something off your bucket list of athletic endeavors. The Good Doctor ticked curling off his bucket list this past winter, but again, the Good Doctor digresses.

For more information about rowing and the GDRA, call Brian White at 937-602-4081 or go to www.daytonrowing.org.



Happy 100th,
Ruth

Someday,
we all hope to be as young as you

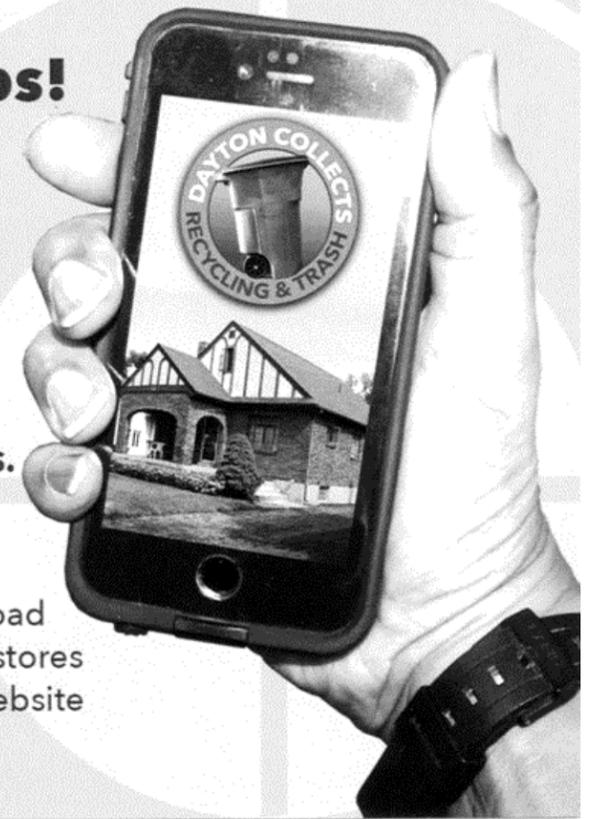
Get notifications about
waste/recycling pickups!

Dayton Collects is a new app that lets you view collection schedules on mobile devices and computers.

- Weekly reminders via email or phone.
- Keep track of scheduled waste, recycling, bulk waste and leaf pick-ups.
- Fast, easy and convenient!



The app is available for free download on the Apple and Google Play app stores and is also embedded in the City website at daytonohio.gov/daytoncollects.



The First NFL Game Was Played in Our Neighborhood! Now the NFL is Building a Football Field at the Original Site

by Mike Herrlein, DRCA President



Dayton Fans cheer the Triangles at Triangle Park

On October 3, 1920 the first game matching two professional teams of the American Professional Football Association, a league that would become the National Football League (NFL), was held on the field within Triangle Park. In that game the Dayton Triangles defeated the Columbus Panhandles 14-0. The 100th anniversary of that now historic game will happen in a year and a half.

To honor that event, the NFL Foundation, an arm of the NFL, will construct a new turf field at the site of the original game. The new field will be about 85,000 square feet, will have football markings, and will be fenced in. It will cost approximately half a million dollars. Construction is expected to begin April 29.

The field will be made available to schools and other organizations who would otherwise not have access to a facility of that caliber.

In addition, there will be several events at Triangle Park in connection with both the new turf field and the upcoming centennial.

NFL100 is a year-long commemoration of the league's centennial season, bringing together generations of football fans, players, communities and the league's 32 current clubs for a unique line-up of programming and activities.



The City of Dayton will join in the celebration by hosting the Draft Day Family Football Experience on April 27th at Triangle Park, a community event leading up to a live NFL Draft pick. The event runs from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Dayton is one of eight NFL 'Original Towns' outside the current NFL markets that will announce a Draft pick via live telecast, with Mayor Nan Whaley announcing a 6th round Cincinnati Bengals pick.

This family-friendly event will feature current NFL players and legends, youth flag football, inflatables, football-themed games and activities, giveaways, food vendors, and more. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. Guests are encouraged to bring sports seating if desired (no pets or tents, please).

NOTE: Attendance is free, but a ticket is required for admission. Tickets will be available at the City of Dayton's three recreation centers beginning Monday, April 22, while supplies last.

"There's no better way to bring the League's hundred years of history full circle than to partner with these communities and recognize their important place in history as part of the NFL's centennial celebration," said NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell.



The 1920 Dayton Triangle Professional Team

Some of us believe that the only appropriate activity to honor that game would be a real 1920's style recreated game, leather helmets and all. It's not too early to begin sketching out some ideas. So put on your thinking cap, sharpen your creative pencil, and exercise the right side of your brain (that's the "what if...?" side) and let's start the brainstorming process for "The NFL Comes to Dayton".

Feel free to share your ideas on either the DRCA Google Group email forum, or by sending them to this newsletter at mherrlein@woh.rr.com. And make sure you clear your calendar for 10/3/2020. Kick off!!



Potential Triangle reenactor

The 2019 Designers' Show House and Gardens Transforms the Leland Home, May 3rd - May 19th



The Dayton Philharmonic Volunteer Association's **Designer Show House and Gardens** features one of the special homes in our neighborhood, the Leland Home at **1375 East Siebenthaler Avenue**, adjacent to Wegerzyn Gardens MetroPark.

You can get more information, hours, and tickets for the show house and associated events at www.dpva.org/show-house.

Parking for the show house is in the Wegerzyn parking lot where a free shuttle will take you to the home.

Held every other year, the Designer's Show House raises funds to support the Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra, music education and scholarships.

We are very fortunate to have the show house in our neighborhood and we thank David and Barbetta Spittler for providing their home for this event.

Turn Trash to Treasure at the Big Garage Sale on May 18th

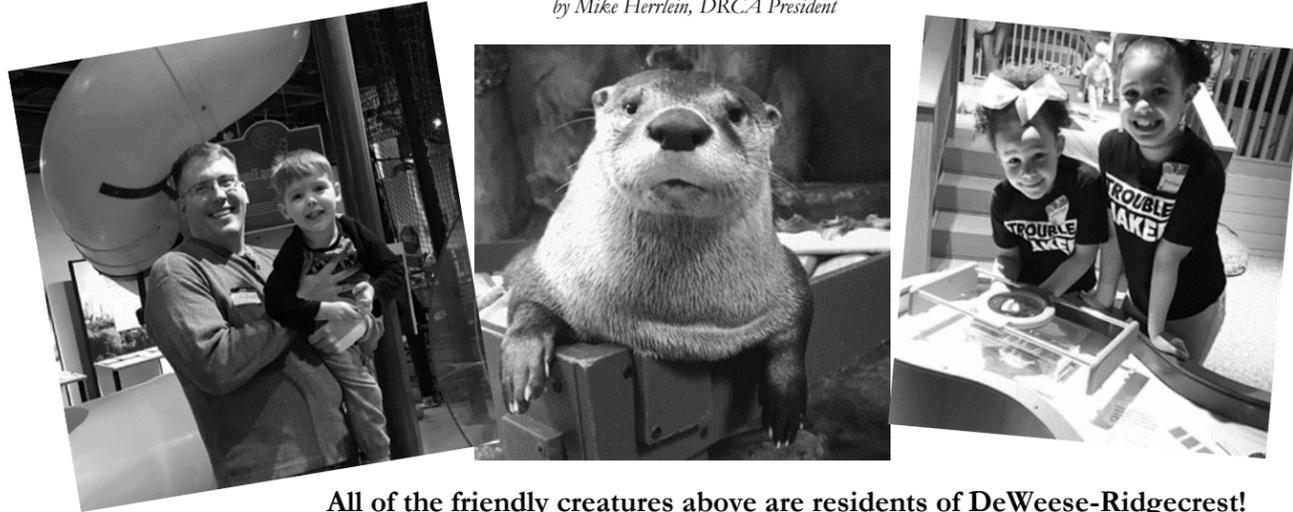


On Saturday, May 18th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. is our neighborhood-wide **Garage Sale**. This is where the big money happens, or at least this is when you clean out your garage. There are sales on every block of DeWeese, and hundreds of buyers from all over the Valley. There will be a map and flyers.

Want in? Contact Becky Drawing (287-5345, bdrawing@sbcglobal.net) or Michelle Moser (604-9339, mamoser0531@gmail.com). If you want to be listed in the materials, the cut-off date is Tuesday, May 14th.

We Had a Blast at the Boonshoft! The DRCA Winter Association Meeting was Our Biggest and Best of All Time

by Mike Herrlein, DRCA President



All of the friendly creatures above are residents of DeWeese-Ridgecrest!

OK, it's a frigid Sunday afternoon in the middle of winter in DeWeese. There's a blizzard blowing outside and the snow and ice are accumulating. Inside, your kids are going stir crazy, and you're not much fun to be with either. So what's an intrepid DeWeese family going to do?

How about joining 160 of your best friends at our favorite neighborhood amenity, the **Boonshoft Museum of Discovery**, for animals, pizza, science, more animals, more pizza, a little bit of DRCA business, beer and wine for the grown-ups, catching up with friends you haven't seen for way too long, and also going to outer space.

On Sunday, March 3rd we all got together to do just that at the Boonshoft. We got to meet the brand new Museum CEO, Tracey Tomme, and all of the wonderful museum staff who made us feel very much at home - **IF** you happen to live with a ball

python, a Kenyan sand boa, an African hedgehog and a few ferrets.

We went to SpacePark360 at the Museum's **Space Theater**. We gawked at some amazing specimens of the prehistoric world at the **Dinosaur Discovery** traveling exhibit. And once again we proved that DeWeese is the best place to live in the whole universe.

This was the **largest** (best attended) DRCA quarterly meeting in history, and we had a blast. DRCA holds four quarterly Association meetings each year; this was our Winter meeting. We attempt to make each meeting unique and we value your time. Thanks to all the DRCA members for playing a part in these meetings, and thanks to everyone in the D-R neighborhood for being great neighbors.

If you missed the Winter Meeting, don't worry! We will soon get together in May for our **Spring Meeting: A Night at the Playhouse**. I hope to see you there!

Important and Useful Telephone Numbers

Emergencies	911	Waste Collection	333-4800
Police — non-emergency	333-COPS (333-2677)	Housing Inspectors	333-3977
Fire — non-emergency	333-FIRE (333-3473)	Water Emergency	333-4905
DP&L Power Outage	1-877-468-8243	Street Light Repair	333-4800
Northeast Priority Board	333-3670	Bulk Waste Pick-up	333-4800

Help Us Restore Ridgecrest Park!

by Misty Thomas-Trout, Project Coordinator, Restore Ridgecrest Park Project



Ridgecrest Park is centrally located in DeWeese-Ridgecrest, between Pinecrest Drive and Ridge Avenue.

Restore Ridgecrest Park is a community organization within the DeWeese-Ridgecrest neighborhood dedicated to resurrecting the once vibrant playground of Ridgecrest Park. Members of the *Restore Ridgecrest Park* committee are determined to breathe life back into this incredible space.

Our neighborhood needs a safe space for children to remain active in the outside environment, foster new relationships and increase their overall physical activity. This space needs to return to a place where community can gather for events, socialize, exercise and simply have fun; where neighbors of all ages can walk, relax and engage in conversation. Spending time outdoors with nature directly contributes to positive mental and physical well-being.

Providing a playground/park not only builds a better community but it greatly improves our neighborhood culture and economy. The culture of a neighborhood greatly impacts those in the community and has a profound impact on who we become. We plan to create a place that fosters these positive experiences where everyone is welcome.

We need your help, your voice and your ideas! Please join the committee and help us recreate this space for our neighborhood. We really need a Social Media Coordinator and mostly, we need more bodies and minds dedicated to joining in this effort!

If you are interested in learning more or becoming involved please email Brooke Queen (Project Director) and Misty Thomas-Trout (Project Coordinator) at restore.ridgecrestpark@gmail.com.

