

January 2012

# Northwest News

Delaware Northwest Neighborhood Association \* [www.delawareanna.org](http://www.delawareanna.org)



## 2011 Officers:

President

Benny Shoults

Vice President

Charlton Amidon

Secretary

Joan Shoults

Treasurer

Ray Wollschleger

## Next Meeting:

Thursday,

February 9th at

7:30 PM

Asbury United Methodist

Church

55 W. Lincoln Ave

## Look back to 2011

**Socials** - We had 8 Social events in 2011: Family Soup Supper at Women's City Club, Pisces Party at home of Dale and Jan Swartzentruber, Make up your own Holiday party at the Lendon's house that is for sale, Post Reception Reception for His Royal Highness Prince William and Miss Catherine Middleton at Kathy and Neil Warren's home, Pool Party at Kris Pregelman's home, Bond Fire twice at Roger Koch and Jan Fleishmann's property on the corner of Griswold and Washington, and Home party hosted by Joe and Linda Diamond.

**New way to decide things in 2011**

In the beginning of 2011 we sent out a survey to all the current members asking questions about the way we vote and how we spend the money. 74% of the people who voted said they favored voting online. The idea of this was to include as many of our members as we could to decide important matters in the NNA.

Two most important activities voted were Social Events and Community Updates and Awareness.

When asked how we should distribute the funds in the treasury 37.70% of those who voted said we should spend the money to benefit the neighborhood on things like, but not limited to, purchasing items like bike racks, trees, etc. 34.40% of the voters had various suggestions of their own. 8.20 % on general donations to charities in general, 13.10% on charities in our own neighborhood and 6.60% said we should use the money to help underprivileged residences.

**Charities we donated money to in 2011**

Delaware County Historical Society - \$500, Arts Castle - \$750, Women's City Club - \$100, Delaware City Schools - \$250, Main Street Delaware - \$375, Delaware Citizen Police Academy Alumni Assoc/DARE- \$250. All totaled \$2225.00

**Membership** - Worked on recruiting new members by setting up a booth at the Farmers Market on several Saturdays. New Membership chair is Diane Wollschleger.

**Meeting Presentations**- "How Delaware Works" City of Delaware Services Director and staff came to acquaint us with recycling and many of the other services they provide, Paul Craft Delaware City Schools came to speak about the School Levy, DARE Program explained by DCPAAA President Marianne Ward, 4th Ward City Council Candidates Night, Dwayne Petko spoke about old house and energy saving.

**Event the NNA Sponsored**

Free Cycle Day in the Northwest Neighborhood and Ghostwalk

NNA President Benny Shoults presented a plaque welcoming Delaware's Sister City Baumholder Germany in a ceremony at City Hall.

## Elections

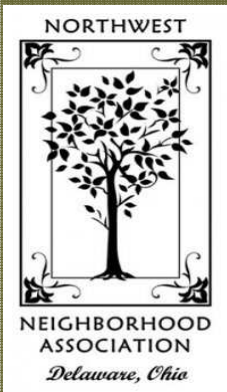
We will vote for officers after the February meeting via our usual online ballot system. All positions are unopposed and the candidates are:

Benny Shoults—President

Charlton Amidon—Vice President

Joan Shoults—Secretary

Ray Wollschleger—Treasurer



## **Boy Scout Dinners**

Boy Scout Troop #61 out of Asbury Church is offering a "2nd Wednesday Italian Dinner" each month. The proceeds are going towards summer camp fees. The troop has gone from 7 to 32 boys, some with financial difficulties.

There is no set cost-donations only  
All you can eat (includes beverage & dessert)

Prepared by the Executive Chef from Willow Brook  
Served by the Boy Scouts

## **Community Garden**

a new community garden is to be placed next to the community market east of the overpass on William Street, in the spring of 2012 with the assistance of Master Gardeners. There will be a program at the Delaware campus of Columbus State Community College on February 4, 2012, from 10-4, including lunch. There is a \$15 charge to attend the program.

## **'Delaware and Delaware County' book release**

As mentioned in previous newsletters, the Delaware County Historical Society has been working with author Jeff Darby on a book about our city and county. The book is due to be released the first week of February and there will be a book signing on February 10th at 5 PM at Beehive Books.

## **Early Dues Notice**

Rather than wait until membership dues are due in April, we are starting to send reminders now. Dues are \$20 per couple, or \$10 for an individual. You can pay online at: [www.delawareanna.org](http://www.delawareanna.org) on the join page, or mail to Northwest Neighborhood Association, PO Box 991, Delaware 43015.

This is also a good time to tell you neighbors to join as anyone joining now will be a member until April of 2013. That's 3 free months!! What a bargain!