

# PIQUA Spirit



## Piqua Pool 2011

The City of Piqua Public Pool is holding Teen Nights and extended time of the Family Nights. Teen night is for teens 13-18 and is being held every Tuesday night from 6:00 p.m.- 9:00 p.m. Music is provided by a DJ and there are door prizes and many food deals. The events are well chaperoned with pool management, lifeguards and City Staff.



Family Night will also see door prizes, big give-a-ways and at times food fresh off the grill. Also new this year are the weekly meal deals for families at the concession

stand. Plan to attend one of these fun nights either as a teen for Teen Night or enjoy the Family Night. You won't want to miss out on these two new adventures!

### TEEN NIGHTS

#### AT THE PIQUA MUNICIPAL POOL

The City of Piqua would like to thank David Burnside for his dedication to our community. On Tuesday, June 14th the pool party for teens was without DJ services. It was recommended that David might be able to help out. Not only did he say he would be able to DJ for the evening, he offered his services free! David commented by saying, "This is my way to give back to the Teens and to the Piqua Community."

We would like to commend and sincerely thank David for his generous support and for his kindness. The Teens had a wonderful evening with fun entertaining music thanks to David!

Teen Nights are held every Tuesday evening, weather permitting. The pool is open from 6:00 PM until 9:00 PM for teens in Junior High and High School only. No one above the age of 18 or out of High School will be admitted.



### CITY OF PIQUA MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL GENERAL INFORMATION AND RULES 2011 SWIMMING SEASON

Days Open	Daily (June 4 - August 21)	
Hours of Operation	Mon., Wed., Thurs.	11:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.
	Tues.	11:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
	Tues. Teen Night	6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
	Fri. & Sat.	11:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
	Sun.	1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
	Sun. Family Night	5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Daily Admission Fees	Adult (18 Yrs. & older)	\$4.00 (\$2.50 after 5:00 p.m.)
	Student (1st - 12th grade)	\$3.50 (\$2.50 after 5:00 p.m.)
	Preschoolers (3-5 Yrs. old)	\$1.50
	Daycares/Organizations of 15 or more	\$2.50
Yearly Membership Fees	Family of Two	\$100.00
		\$20.00 Each Additional Family Member
		*All family members must be indicated at time of purchase of family membership.
		*All members must live in same household to qualify.
	Single Adult	\$65.00
	Senior Citizen Family of Two	\$65.00 (both must be 62 or older)
	Senior Citizen (62 or older)	\$40.00
	Student Membership (1st - 12th grade)	\$40.00
	Preschoolers (3-5 Yrs. old)	\$20.00
	Replacement Cards	\$5.00

#### GROUP RENTALS

Private rentals are available Friday and Saturday from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. A minimum notice of two (2) weeks before rental is required. Rental prices based on expected attendance at the time of booking:

1-100 Persons	\$200.00
101+ Persons	\$300.00

#### TEEN NIGHT

Tuesday evenings, the pool is open 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. for teens in junior high and high school only. No one above the age of 18 or out of high school will be admitted.

#### FAMILY NIGHT

Sunday evenings, the pool is open 5:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. parents or legal guardians must accompany children under 18 years old.

\*All ages and grades calculated as of Memorial Day 2011  
For further information on group rentals, teen night or family night please visit our website at [www.piquaoh.org](http://www.piquaoh.org)

# Property Maintenance Checklist

If you are a homeowner, one of the biggest investments you have made is most likely the purchase of your home. One sure way to maintain and increase the value of your investment is through routine, preventive maintenance. The following checklist is used by the City's Property Maintenance / Code Enforcement Department (major areas of importance):

- ✓ Paint flaking from wood or metal surfaces
- ✓ Broken or cracked window glass
- ✓ Missing or deteriorated gutters and downspouts
- ✓ Rotted or deteriorated wooden areas
- ✓ Trash, litter, or debris scattered on a property
- ✓ Animal waste should be removed daily
- ✓ Weeds and/or high grass
- ✓ Storage or unlicensed and/or inoperable vehicles

Whether you are a homeowner or renter, the above tips are a reminder of what it takes to maintain a home and to help the aesthetics of our community. We want our City to be the best it can be!

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# Thank You to our Piqua Neighborhood Associations

The community's strong network of neighborhood associations have been busy gearing up for a summer full of projects all designed to improve the quality of life for those living in our city's neighborhoods. Most of the projects were kicked off by the May 7th Piqua Pride Clean-Up Day. Thanks to the generous support of the Wal-Mart Foundation, each association undertook neighborhood level projects.

The Southwest Neighborhood Association prepared the sand volleyball court at Pitsenbarger Park for another summer of use. The Shawnee Neighborhood Association cleaned up their



community garden on East Main Street. The Southview Neighborhood Association undertook two projects; the Association tidied up the Mote Park Community Center and cleaned up Lock Nine Park and the adjacent recreational trail. The Northparks Neighborhood Association worked on cleaning

the East Ash Street and County Road 25-A bridges over the Great Miami River.

Building on the success of the May 7th clean up day, our community's neighborhood associations have tackled other projects. The Northparks Neighborhood Association recently mulched around 62 trees on the Nicklin Avenue Boulevard and the Association is planning work with neighborhood schools to improve playgrounds. The Southview Neighborhood Association is looking to raise funds to build a new park shelter at Mote Park.

For more information about the community's neighborhood associations, please feel free to contact William Lutz, Development Program Manager at [blutz@piquaoh.org](mailto:blutz@piquaoh.org) or 937.778.2062.



## Weather Alerts!

Tornado season runs from Spring until Fall. It is important to plan ahead for severe weather and to have a plan of action.

Weather alert sirens are designed to be a means of alerting anyone who is outdoors of a tornado or severe weather warning. Should you hear the weather alert sirens go off, you should take shelter immediately in the safest place available. It is advisable to leave the shelter area only when you feel that the tornado or severe storm has passed.

Know what a tornado WATCH and WARNING means:

- A tornado WATCH means a tornado is possible in your area.
- A tornado WARNING means a tornado has been sighted and may be headed for your area. Go to safety immediately.

**Plan ahead:** Prepare a Home Tornado Plan and assemble a Disaster Supplies Kit.

Piqua's Weather sirens are tested on the first Saturday and the second Wednesday of each month from April through October at 10:00 a.m.

If you should have any questions, contact our Piqua Fire Department or the American Red Cross (332-1414) or their web site at [www.northernmiamivalley.redcross.org](http://www.northernmiamivalley.redcross.org) for more information. Or you can visit the Piqua Fire Department web site at [www.piquaoh.org/fire.htm](http://www.piquaoh.org/fire.htm) then go to weather information.

## Emerald Ash Borer *Update*

In 2006, Miami County received a new unwanted world traveler; just outside of the city limits in a rest stop on I-75 was where our newest resident would take up occupancy. This globetrotter came from Asia and was carried to our region on shipping pallets that were shipped into the Great Lakes region. Who or what is this newest, unwanted, world hopping, vacationer? The Emerald Ash Borer, one little 1/2" green, six legged, Ash eating pest. Since the original finding, the Emerald Ash Borer has kept moving from its original finding location to march at a slow and methodical rate of a half mile a year, at this pace the Borer is beyond our City limits and is heading to other areas beyond. The Emerald Ash has quite a unique appetite for only Ash trees, thus its name. Once a tree has been inundated with this voracious borer, it is but a few years all the life is completely removed from the tree.

The Ash tree has long been a favorite by many landscapers and nurserymen for its hardiness and fast maturity, which explains why Ash trees can be found in yards, bike paths, parks, and lining downtown streets, as well as heavily forested areas throughout the state. The Ohio Department of Natural Resources estimates that the Emerald Ash Borer could affect as many as 3.8 billion trees across the state of Ohio. The State of Ohio has tried to stem the affect of local communities by offering grant dollars to try and offset some the cost of removals, however most of these funds went to larger affected areas closer to the Great Lakes region where there is the greatest need for assistance. The city is left with a large expense of removing 180 critical or dying trees within the City's right a way without the hope of outside assistance.

The City of Piqua will be continue to monitor the Emerald Ash Borer and its continued march across our city, and will also develop new and creative ways to bolster the removal of street trees and hazardous trees within our parks.

## Piqua Crime Stoppers Program

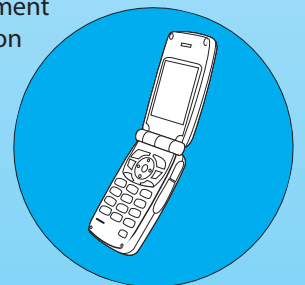
The Piqua Police Department established a "Crime Stoppers Program: in 2001 which was a partnership between the Piqua Area Chamber of Commerce and the Piqua Police Department.

What is a Crime Stopper? Members of the local community, in partnership with the media and law enforcement, provide crime-solving assistance to law enforcement. A cash reward is offered to anonymous persons who telephone the Crime Stoppers hot line with information, which assists in the arrest of criminals. Worldwide, the Crime Stoppers Program has an average conviction rate of 95%, has solved over a half a million crimes and has recovered over 3 billion dollars worth of stolen property and narcotics.

Why does Piqua need Crime Stoppers? Regardless of the size of the community and/or the crime rate, a Crime Stoppers Program helps to improve the quality of life and provides for public safety. Crime Stoppers is based on the principal that "someone other than the criminal has information that can solve a crime." It was created to combat three major problems faced by law enforcement in generating that information: (1) Fear of reprisal, (2) An attitude of apathy and (3) Reluctance to get involved. Crime Stoppers resolves these problems by offering ANONYMITY to people who provide information about crimes and pays cash rewards when the information supplied leads to an arrest.

For more information on "Crime Stoppers," please contact the Piqua Crime Stoppers Law Enforcement Coordinator, Deputy Chief Bruce Jamison at the Piqua Police Department, 907-778-2027.

Individuals with information on crimes can report such anonymously to Piqua Crime Stoppers at 937-615-8477 (Tips).



## City Events

Echo Hills Golf Course  
Now Open!

Piqua Municipal Pool Opens  
Daily ~ June 4 through August 21

Piqua Community Farmers Market  
Canal Place ~ Downtown Piqua  
Each Thursday from July 7 – September 13  
2 p.m. – 6 p.m.  
www.piquafarmersmarket.com

Downtown Brown Bag Series  
Thursday, July 7, 14, 21 & 28  
11:45 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Dancing in the Moonlight  
Moonlight Stride & Ride  
Downtown Piqua  
Saturday, September 24th ~ 5 p.m. - 9 p.m.  
(Date Tentative)

## Spring 2011 Residence Pride Recipients

The Spring Residence Pride Awards were announced on Tuesday, May 17, 2011. The Residence Pride Committee members met and selected award winners from the nominations received. The recipients are pictured here.

Please help us select our Summer & Fall 2011 recipients! Nominate a home that has been improved, a home with beautiful landscaping or that house that has always been well maintained.

Nomination forms are available on the City's website @www.piquaoh.org or stop by and pick one up at the Municipal Government Complex at the front desk or in the Administration office. Or you may nominate via email at residencepride@piquaoh.org

And yet another couple of ways to nominate a home is when paying your city utility bill at our drive up deposit box, put a nomination form in the box or kindly drop off a note with a nomination, or phone in your nominations to 778-2051. You may also nominate multiple homes!

The Committee looks forward to receiving your nominations for the Summer and Fall 2011 awards!



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614 N. Wayne Street



Jim & Malinda Williams  
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Reed Mote Staley  
Insurance, Inc.  
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Dan & Diane Beaver  
617 Cherry Street

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