

# Otter Creek

Neighborhood Association

NEWSLETTER - ISSUE 8 - Winter 2005-6

## PRESIDENT'S NOTE

Fall is here, the weather is getting cooler, the leaves are changing and the days are getting shorter. We have had a lovely summer and ended it with a successful neighborhood picnic on Saturday September 10th. I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who worked so hard to make the picnic such a success. Without so many working together our neighborhood would not be the great place it is to live.



Another thank you goes out to all who attended the picnic as well as the monthly brunches and other social activities held throughout the year. Getting together, forming friendships and simply getting to know your neighbors not only provides a caring community but also a safer one. Remember that all activities advertised are open to everyone so please join us!

I also want to thank all of our new block captains and our new association secretary for being willing to donate their time to the neighborhood, please take time to find your block captain's name below and introduce yourself.

So in conclusion I hope as you read this newsletter you find helpful information about the community as well as activities and gatherings you wish to participate in. Get involved!

Yours Truly,  
Peggy Hakala, OCNA President

## OCNA Annual Neighborhood Picnic Report



On behalf of Otter Creek Neighborhood I would like to give a HUGE thank you to all of our neighbors that donated something to our Annual Picnic that was held on Sept 10. It was a very fun event and everyone enjoyed our free raffle. Without your gracious gifts this event would not have been as successful. Thank you for your participation and supporting our Neighborhood.

If you missed our Neighborhood Picnic this year, just take a look at the list in this issue at what you could have won. I hope you try to make it next year and maybe you could be one of our winners also.

## OCNA Election Report

The annual election of officers and block captains was held at the annual picnic. The following results are reported:

President: Peggy Hakala (incumbent)  
Vice President: Paula Gozner (incumbent)  
Secretary: Duane Berglund (and newsletter editor)  
Treasurer: Russ Sommer (incumbent)

Block Captains:  
East Hamilton - Rhonda Wolk  
E Meadows North - Clayonna Walter  
E Meadows So & Glenbrooke - Rebecca Zimmerman  
Prill Road - Cherie Miller  
Ridgeway - Cheryl Meyer  
Briarcrest & Rochelle - Dan Degeneffe  
Briarcrest Drive (South) - Scott Gunem



Chairperson Clayonna Walter at the picnic voting table

# Current Issues

## 2005-2006 Board of Directors

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## Block Captains

Attend meetings to represent block options  
E Meadows North - Clayonna Walter  
E Meadows So & Glenbrooke -  
Rebecca Zimmerman  
Prill Road - Cherie Miller  
Ridgeway - Cheryl Meyer  
Briarcrest & Rochelle - Dan Degeneffe  
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OCNA's Treasurer Russ Sommer on duty at the annual picnic.

## Association Meeting Notes

Treasurer's Report  
as of September 30, 2005

Open Balance as of 1/1/5 ..... \$ 317

**Income**  
Garage Sale Food Booth/Fees ..... 715  
Garage Sale Newsletter Ads ..... 780  
Annual Picnic Revenue ..... 165  
Misc Income ..... 60  
**Total Income** ..... \$1,720

**Expenses**  
Food Booth Groceries/Petty Cash ... \$ 258  
Garage Sale Ads/Permit ..... 128  
Meeting Refreshments/Copies ..... 38  
Newsletter Printing/Supplies (2) ..... 556  
Picnic Supplies/Signs ..... 163  
**Total Expense** ..... \$1,143

Operating Net - 2005 YTD ..... \$ 577

Ending Balance as of 9/30/5 ..... \$ 894

## Secretary Report

General Membership Meeting - August 16, 2005

The meeting was called to order by Preident Peggy at 1900 hours at Festival Foods.

The minutes of the previous two meetings were read and accepted as read without amendments.

The Treasurer's report was and accepted as presented. The Election Committee Chairperson reported there is at least one name for each Officer position and room will be provided on the ballot for write-ins for the scheduled election September 10, 2005. Ballots will be handed out at the Association annual picnic.

Peggy reported that 25 MPH street signs had been posted on Ridgeway and Glenbrooke. She also reported new street lights were installed on Ridgeway.

The Treasurer will transmit a list of possible advertisers for the newsletter to Paula Gozner.

Duane Berglund is looking into the possibility of purchasing a printer to print OCNA newsletters.

Tim Wabrner from the Restorative Program addressed the membership in attendance regarding his program.

Minutes recorded by Russ Sommer, Secretary/Treasurer

**Next OCNA Meeting** - is Nov 15th 7pm at the Festival Foods conf room. Please plan to attend. Your participation is important to the success of the association.

# In the Spotlight

## New to the Neighborhood!

Please join me in welcoming them to the neighborhood

**Brian & Karisa Ashland** - 3418 Ridgeway Drive with their two children Peyton 4 & Chandler 1 1/2. A job promotion for Brian to Branch Mgr - Goodin Company Plumbing Heating Wholesale Branch brought them here from Kenyon MN. Karisa is a full time mom to their two girls but hopes to return to teaching when Peyton is in Kindergarten next year.

**Jamie & Robyn Kraimer** - 3643 Ridgeway Drive with Zachery 8 years old.

**Scott & Mary Lewis** - 3513 Ridgeway Drive.

## Congratulations!

Congratulations to Dr. Emily Smith who has completed her DICCP (Diplomate of the International Chiropractic Association Council on Chiropractic Pediatrics). This is a 3 year, 360-hour post-doctoral program, for which she is now considered a Pediatric Chiropractic Specialist. See her ad in the newsletter for more information.

## Street Parking Rules

Remember that winter parking rules include odd and even parking on the street to help snow removal. Also be courteous to your neighbor and the mailperson; don't park in a way that hinders access to mailboxes & driveways.

## Disposing of your Christmas Tree

You have several choices in proper disposal of your natural Christmas tree. You can take your tree to a brush site or you can place the tree with your normal garbage for pickup. There may be a \$5 charge for this from your company. Call 715-839-6190 or go to [www.co.eau-claire.wi.us/Recycle/recycle.htm](http://www.co.eau-claire.wi.us/Recycle/recycle.htm)

## The OCNA Winter Computer Club

Duane Berglund will again host a computer session in November on how to edit & print your digital photos. It will also cover photo scanning. The initial session will be Saturday morning November 19th. Come join us or email/call Duane if you simply want to be included in the course handouts by email. Course is free.

## Useful Web Sites

Eau Claire Newspaper Online	<a href="http://www.leadertelegram.com">www.leadertelegram.com</a>
Oakwood Mall Web Site	<a href="http://www.oakwoodmall.com/html">www.oakwoodmall.com/html</a>
City of Eau Claire	<a href="http://www.ci.eau-claire.wi.us">www.ci.eau-claire.wi.us</a>
Chippewa Valley Web Site	<a href="http://www.chippewavalley.net">www.chippewavalley.net</a>
Local Charter Cable Web Site	<a href="http://www.charter.com">www.charter.com</a>
Channel 6 - NBC	<a href="http://www.weau.com">www.weau.com</a>
Channel 5 - ABC	<a href="http://www.wqow.com">www.wqow.com</a>
Channel 8 - CBS	<a href="http://www.wkbt.com">www.wkbt.com</a>
Channel 10 - PBS	<a href="http://www.wpt.org">www.wpt.org</a>

## www.USPS.com

Suggest neighbors try using [www.usps.com](http://www.usps.com) for holding and forwarding mail; the web site is easy to use and the mail will be delivered to your mailbox on the date you return.

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