



Colora Civic Association
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Dear Neighbors:

As we enter the holiday season, we hope this letter finds you and your family in good health and good spirits. Despite the continued difficult economic times, we have much to be thankful for.

The Colora Civic Association continues to work on your behalf to preserve our beautiful part of the county and its rural legacy. During the next year or two, we need to be especially vigilant about what is going on around us. The Perryville slots facility will open next fall, just a few miles down the road, and its effects are unlikely to be completely positive for our part of the county. We expect the influx of people from BRAC to begin in earnest next year, generating more development activity around us. Our area has already seen too much green space disappear, as well as a substantial increase in traffic.

We also need to pay attention to how some county-wide issues will affect the Colora area. The county will adopt a new Comprehensive Plan in 2010 and there will be a comprehensive re-zoning in response. There will be elections for county and state offices next fall, and we will again be asked to vote on a proposal for charter government. The Colora Civic Association is the only local citizens' group in the western part of the county that regularly meets to discuss what's going on and what its members can do to help preserve and improve our area.

As you know, the association also actively promotes the history of our area. Last spring we had a very interesting (and controversial!) meeting on the old Octoraro railroad line and we hope to have more stimulating events like that in the coming year.

We ask you to renew your membership in the Colora Civic Association and, once again, we invite you to attend our meetings and get involved in one of our many activities. New ideas and a few extra hands are always welcome. There is plenty of opportunity. We need your dues, for sure, but more than that, we need *you!*

Sincerely,

Hazel Jenkins, President

(Please cut and mail back the section below.)

CCA Meetings:
 3rd Monday of each month,
 7:30 p.m., at Mt. Pleasant
 Methodist Church

Colora Civic Association Membership Renewal for 2010

Please return by Dec. 31

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Please enclose check for \$10 made out to "Colora Civic Association". *Thank you!*