



**NICHOLS IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION**  
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# N I C H O L S N E W S L E T T E R

VOLUNTEERS COMING TOGETHER FOR THE  
BETTERMENT OF OUR NICHOLS COMMUNITY

A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION IN THE HEART OF THE NICHOLS FARMS HISTORIC DISTRICT, NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

## NIA FAMILY PICNIC

**Saturday | September 8 | 4-7 pm**

*Rain Date Sunday, September 9*

Please join us for our annual NIA Family Picnic on Saturday, September 8th from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. This is a great time for Nichols friends and neighbors to meet after a long summer and share all of their great summer adventures.

Hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks are provided. Don't forget to bring your favorite homemade salad, side dish or dessert to share with all your neighbors. This is always an enjoyable event with fun activities and the ice cream truck to boot!

So mark your calendar and be sure to join us! If you have any questions, please call Fred Palmieri at 378-6331.

## MOVIE Night

On July 13th the NIA held its annual movie night. A large group of Nichols neighbors came out to enjoy a beautiful night on the NIA grounds and a movie under the stars.

Many thanks to Mark Manton for putting this event together for us and sharing your great movie equipment with all of us!



## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**Saturday | September 8 | 4-7 pm**

### STARKWEATHER HOUSE

The fall General Membership Meeting will be held at 4 p.m. on Saturday, September 8th at the beginning of the Family Picnic. Please join the executive board for an update on the state of the NIA.

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## LOCAL BOY SCOUT TROOP 67, LEAD BY TIM ENOS, RESTORES THE NIA GAZEBO

Thanks to the efforts of Tim Enos of Boy Scout Troop 67, as well as other Scouts from the troop, the NIA gazebo has been power washed, sanded, painted and now looks as good as new!

Bird netting was also installed to prevent the sparrows from nesting in the gazebo. The Scouts worked on the gazebo for a week to complete the project. Tim spearheaded this project as part of his Eagle Scout requirements.

Our thanks go out to Tim and his fellow Scouts for taking an interest in restoring this special part of the NIA grounds!

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## OUR NEW CARETAKER HAS ARRIVED

Peter Lubbert, our new caretaker, is now in place at the Starkweather House and is off to a good start! Peter has been doing an excellent job tending to the lawns and property, and helping our members with the house use.

If you would like to leave a message for Peter you can do so by calling the Starkweather house at 375-3611.

If you are on the grounds or at the house, please take a minute to introduce yourself to Peter and welcome him aboard.

### Family Picnic and General Membership Meeting

*Saturday, September 8, 4 p.m.*  
Starkweather House/NIA Grounds

### Harvest Wine and Cheese

*Saturday, October 20, 7-10 p.m.*  
Starkweather House

### Halloween Parade

*Sunday, October 28, 3 p.m.*  
NUMC Parking Lot

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## JINGLE BELL RUN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers for the 2008 Jingle Bell Run. This is a much beloved NIA event for our community and takes a big effort on the part of many volunteers to put together.

If you have some "road race expertise" to offer, would like to help chair this event or simply be one of the many helpers, please contact Fred Palmieri at 378-6331. The Jingle Bell Run will be here before we know it, and we look forward to another successful race!