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November is annual election time at the Colonial Hills Civic Association. Everyone in the neighborhood -- younger, older, seasoned resident or new one -- is invited to be part of this organization. Kelly Jaeger and I are up for re-election. In addition, Leo Kowalyk has agreed to make a run for Vice President. (Good luck, Leo, the competition's fierce!) We need a treasurer. I just know there's an eager accountant, retired bookkeeper, or frustrated organization freak out there to help us out. We'd also like to recruit a Vice President II. Need to know what board membership entails? Just give one of us a call at the numbers listed below. Happy fall!

-- Julie Smyth, 2012-2013 CHCA President

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Upcoming Community Events

November 9th — Distribute Food Drive door hangers; volunteers meet at Selby Shelterhouse for your assignments! Contact acoxnicole@gmail.com for more info!

November 12th – CHCA Meeting, 7:30 pm at Selby Shelterhouse

November 16th – Annual CHCA Food Drive – for more info see page 6

HOLIDAY FESTIVITIES

December 7th – Luminary Making – help with this CH tradition,

starting at 10:00am!

December 8th – CHCA Holiday Party, 3:00-5:00 pm, Selby

Shelterhouse (see page 3 for more info)

December 11th – Holiday Decorating Contest Judging, leave your

lights on from 7pm-11pm!

December 15th – Luminary Lighting Event, 7:00-10:00pm. Please join us in lighting your luminary kits throughout the neighborhood! Also join us for an open house at Selby Shelterhouse from 6-7.

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articles for publication.

Colonial Hills Elementary School News



Left: Colonial Hills students, many parents and some neighbors and alumni walked or ran a mile Oct. 9 to help raise money for the school's first walkathon. The students



pictured, including many from the cross country team, were watching their classmates run. The children have just finished collecting donations for their efforts, and the money will be used for PTA projects, include the goal of eventually updating playground equipment. Thank you neighbors for your support!

Below: Each student received a medal, including (left to right) sixth graders Jon Reed, Caden Duffy and Mitchell Button. The kids were so excited about their awards, donated by the family of Colonial Hills resident Cindy Molnar.

Pancake Breakfast: Come visit with neighbors and friends and enjoy some ridiculously good and healthy pancakes at the school's annual pancake breakfast. For \$5 per person or \$20 per family maximum, you'll get sausage, fresh fruit, milk and coffee with your pancake breakfast in the school cafeteria. Oatmeal will be served as a gluten-free option. Pay at the door on Saturday, Nov. 2, from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Any extra money raised goes to the PTA to help support the school and teachers.





Cross country meet: About 140 elementary school students from six school districts ran in the first cross country meet named in honor of the school's physical education teacher, John Blaine. Many children from Colonial Hills placed among the top runners in the John Blaine Worthington Classic on Sept. 29.

Here are the Colonial Hills students who made the top three in the one-mile race for their age groups:

1st-2nd grade

Boys

Henry Schaffner, 2nd place Jack Steel, 3rd place

3rd-4th grade

Boys

Sam Guy, 1st place Eli Hitzhusen, 2nd place Aidan Crowley, 3rd place Girls

Lina Guerra, 2nd place Kate McClellan, 3rd place **5th-6th grade**

Boys

Graham Werbovetz, 3rd place



Holiday Party

Come to Selby Shelterhouse on **Sunday Dec. 8th from 3-5 pm** for games, crafts, food and Santa Claus! This annual party is geared toward the kids, fun for all!

Call Emily or Tammy Wallace at 436-6176 to volunteer!

Next meet: The Colonial Hills Invitational for Worthington elementary students will start with registration at 3 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 7, at the school athletic field. For more information or to register ahead online,

visit http://worthington.k12.oh.us/Page/1502.

Sitters - Baby, Pet, and House

- * Rosemary Harris, 436-6294, newborns 8 wks-24 mos
- + Perri MacKenzie, 846-2415, baby sitter
- * Jesse Lilly, 352-4515, baby sitter
- **+ Caroline Smyth,** 785-7064, house or pet sitter
- + Haley Carnahan, 436-6798, baby sitter
- Ruby Clark, 296-4315, baby sitter
- **+ Freddy Woodrum,** 431-0206, baby sitter/can watch ages 3 and up
- **+ Emma Webster,** 880-9655, baby sitter

- Marra Miller, 623-0104, baby sitter
- + Audrey MacKenzie, 824-9486, baby sitter
- **Ali Diehl,** 633-8059, baby sitter
- * Kelli Hill, 436-4627, pet sitter
- + Angela Schirtzinger, 312-9882, age 17, baby sitter
- * Matthew Harrison, 888-6360, pet and house sitter, will also mow lawns
- += Red Cross certified
- 🧘 = Safesitter (Girl Scout) certified

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David Nadolny, 175 Kenbrook Dr.,

dnadolny@columbus.rr.com

Or sign up for updates at www.crimereports.com or the new Worthington web site:

http://www.worthington.org/list.aspx. It's easy!

City of Worthington to Utilize CodeRED Emergency Notification System (courtesy of the City of Worthington)

The City of Worthington is launching a new emergency notification system to allow City officials to quickly deliver emergency messages to our citizens and businesses. The City has contracted with Emergency Communications Network to license its CodeRED high-speed notification solution, which provides the ability to deliver messages via phone, text or email to targeted areas or the entire city.

A test of the system, which already contains the published phone numbers of Worthington residents, will be conducted on Monday, October 21st beginning at 11:00 a.m. At this time, phone calls will be made to the entire community and will continue until the entire database has been attempted. The recorded message relayed in the call will instruct residents about the service and how to add additional numbers. This call will give Worthington personnel the chance to test and operate the system as if there has been a community wide disaster.

Worthington Police Chief James Mosic cautioned that such systems are only as good as the telephone number database supporting them. "If your phone number is not in the database, you will not be called," says Mosic. "One of the reasons the CodeRED system was selected is it gives individuals and businesses the ability to add their own phone numbers directly into the system's database. This is an extremely important feature."

All individuals and businesses should take the time to visit the www.worthington.org website and add contact information to include cellular phones and other non-traditional phones as well as email and text addresses. If your contact information is not in the database you will not receive a call when an urgent message is sent. In particular businesses should register, as well as individuals who have unlisted phone numbers, who have changed their phone number recently, and those who use a cellular phone exclusively or have VoIP phones (such as Vonage) as their primary numbers.

Citizens can log onto www.worthington.org and follow the CodeRED link to register. Those without Internet access may call the Worthington Division of Police 24 hours a day at (614) 885-4463 to provide contact information. Required information includes a street address (physical address, no P.O. boxes) for location purposes and a primary phone number. Additional phone numbers, email and text addresses may also be entered.

Mosic explained, "CodeRED allows geographically based delivery, which means street addresses are required to ensure emergency notification calls are received by the proper individuals in a

given situation. The system works for cell phones too, but we need to have an associated street address to provide relevant messages."

CodeRED gives those who want to be included an easy and secure method for inputting information. The data collected will only be used for emergency notification purposes.

Questions should be directed to the Worthington Division of Police at (614) 885-4463.

Have you checked out our two
neighborhood Facebook Groups?
For general neighborhood info,
contractor recommendations, and
goings on, check out
Group: Colonial Hills
For items for sale, check out:
Group: CH Classifieds | Colonial Hills

Colonial Hills Collecting Food for Needy

CHCA will once again be sponsoring an Annual Food Drive for the benefit of local families. We will be collecting canned and dry goods and personal items on **Saturday, Nov. 16th.** This year's drive is assisted by Cub Scout Pack 331, chartered by the Colonial Hills Civic Association, which is participating in the national Scouting-for-Food program. Thanks, Cub Scouts!

Additional volunteers are needed to distribute reminder door hangers throughout the neighborhood on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>Nov.</u> 9th and to retrieve donations from porches on the 16th. Meet for both events at the Selby Shelterhouse.

<u>Please have food donations on your porch that morning, or the night before</u>. Donations will be delivered to The Worthington Food Pantry and St. Michael's.

For more information on this event, contact Event Chair Nicole Acox at acoxnicole@gmail.com.

Items needed:

- Fruits peaches, pears, mixed fruit, pineapple, oranges, applesauce, etc.
- Vegetables green beans, peas, mixed vegetables, carrots, beets, spinach, greens, tomato products, spaghetti sauce, etc.
- Grains cereal, oatmeal, rice, noodles, pasts, flour, crackers, etc.
- Combinations chili, stews, canned pasta, condensed and ready to eat soups, mac and cheese, helper meals, pasta sides, etc.
- Dairy shelf stable and canned milk
- Proteins peanut butter, canned meats and fish, nuts, etc.
- Misc. condiments, sauces, dressings, oils, gravy, jelly, sweets, snacks, drinks, baking items, mixes, etc.
- Personals shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, bar soap, detergents, toilet paper, feminine hygiene, tissues, baby items, diapers, etc.
- Other baby food and pet food

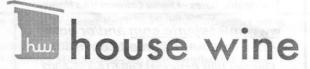
Please visit www.worthingtonfoodpantry.org for more info!



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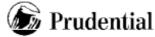


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