



President's Message

We enjoyed a successful 2008, as Civic Association events grew in popularity due to the hard work of our volunteers. But 2009, with its challenges and opportunities, demands our immediate attention. In an economy with fewer home buyers, we want to make sure they buy in Colonial Hills. We are working with local realtors to develop a brochure that "brands" Colonial Hills, and lists the amenities and activities we offer to residents. Beginning in January we will explore adding East Southington Street and Rush Creek homes to the Civic Association, because I have been approached by many families there who wish to participate in our events. We will also explore activities for **households without children**, such as a card night at the shelter house. How about a gourmet cooking club? Each month a different member organizes the meal, and everyone chips in for ingredients. Other ideas include a fall 2009 flu shot clinic at the shelter house. Contact the CHCA with your ideas!

On page three we list our 2009 activities and the trustee contact information. You can cut this out and stick it on the bulletin board for reference throughout the year. I want to extend special thanks to **Cindy Molnar**, who completed our first directory in five years. Also **Mary Ann Ogle** for running the Children's Holiday Party, **Will Pearce** for organizing the luminary assembly and distribution and **Sara Abele** for chairing the Holiday Decorating Contest. We are also pleased to announce that **Roy Gelin** has accepted the Treasurer position. More about that below!

George Campbell, 2009-10 CHCA President

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Upcoming Events

Tue, Jan 13th
7:30 pm

Civic Association Meeting at the Shelter House.

Tue, Feb 10th
7:30 pm

Civic Association Meeting at the Shelter House.

Fri, Mar 6th

Annual Trustee Dinner. Time and location to be announced.

Mar 7th-28th

Annual Membership Drive.

Tue, Mar 10th
7:30 pm

Civic Association Meeting at the Shelter House.

Sat, Apr 4th
10:00 am

Annual Easter Egg Hunt
Rain date is Sat, Apr. 11th at 10:00 am

Welcome New Treasurer and Trustees

We are pleased to welcome **Roy Gelin** to the CHCA Board as our Treasurer. Roy attended Colonial Hills School when the paint was still wet, and now lives on Colonial Avenue with his family. We also thank retiring treasurer **Lorrie Cormany** for her six years of service. We are pleased to welcome new trustees for 2009: **Jenny Kendall, Jessica Vaughan, Cindy Taylor, Stephanie Hoyle** (also our V.P.), **Ken Paul, Karen Young** and covering brand new district 41 on E. Southington – **Rosa Huff**. We have two open districts covering **5684 – 5731 Foster** and **174 - 235 Loveman**. Trustees for 2009 are listed on pg. 3 along with our 2009 schedule of events. Thanks to all our volunteers who keep the Civic Association running smoothly.

Christmas Tree Sale

Thank you to all who bought a Christmas tree on Dec. 13th, and especially **Paul Feldman** for providing them. The money we earned is put towards our scholarship fund. All the trees on Paul's farm have been cut, so this will be the last year unless we find another (free) source of trees. Special thanks to **Bob Kendall** for helping to pick up the trees.

Children's Holiday Party

The Annual Children's Christmas Party was held on Saturday Dec 13th with over 50 boys and girls in attendance. There were games, crafts, refreshments and a visit from Santa Claus with everyone involved having a very good time.

Gratitude is extended to the following volunteers who helped make this event a success: **Robin Ogle**, co-chairman, **Katy Dilts**, **Margaret Nardy** and the girl scouts from Troop #1624; **Ruby Clark**, **Emily Wallace**, **Caroline Smith** and **Daijah Scott**. A huge thank you also to **Charlie Carter**, our very special guest volunteer.

I would also like to extend a big thanks to our sponsors for their generous donation. Please let them know how much you enjoyed their generosity. **Kroger's at Graceland** for their yummy cookies and **McDonald's at Wilson Bridge Rd.** for the delicious punch. – *Mary Ann Ogle, Chairperson*

Holiday Decorating Contest

The winners of the Holiday Decorating Contest on Dec. 16th were: Most Artistic: **244 Colonial**, Most Illuminated: **494 Loveman**, Most Original: **554 Kenbrook**, Best Door: **583 Loveman** (1st), **551 Park** (2nd), **280 S. Selby** (3rd), Best Overall House: **449 Park** (1st), **554 Kenbrook** (2nd), **385 Park** (3rd). Winners will receive a framed, night photo of their masterpiece. Thanks to **Sara Abele** and our guest judges, **Marit Hanson** (Clintonville), **Jennie Elliot** (Brookside) and **Drew & Jessica McMillen** (Lewis Center).

Luminary Display

The luminary display is a true group effort. Organized by **Will Pearce**, assembly went smoothly. Thank you everyone who once again worked together to make this lovely display happen.

High School Senior Scholarship

High School seniors who live in Colonial Hills are eligible for a \$800 scholarship (we typically offer two). Students can obtain an application form from their high school guidance counselor or by contacting us. Ten hours of community service in Colonial Hills is required. Scholarships will be awarded by the CHCA council in June. Contact **Mary Youtz** at 848-5839 for any questions.

Helping Hands

Once again the Colonial Hills Civic Association would like to reach out and help our neighbors who aren't physically able to help themselves. Please let us know if you have special needs and would like some help with shoveling snow, staying off of the ice, etc. Contact **Courtney Jolley** @ 635-0700.

On the flip side, if you are able-bodied and civic minded please call the above number to help out. High school seniors, this

would be a great way to get in some of the volunteer time required for the Colonial Hills scholarship!

Keep your pets safe this winter!

Now that the cold winds are upon us, please remember our four-footed friends. Consider bringing outside pets inside when the weather is lower than 30 degrees especially if it is snowing. It is harder for an animal to maintain their body temperature if their fur is wet. Ohio law mandates that pet owners provide adequate shelter, food and water. For animals kept outside for any length of time, this means a doghouse with four walls and a top. Access to a shed or garage is not adequate. A dog can maintain their body heat in an appropriately-sized doghouse but not a large drafty structure. In the coldest weather, straw can be used to provide additional warmth.

Cats are generally more independent than dogs but even our feline friends need warm shelter. Frostbite can affect animals especially on the tips of their ears, tails, faces, and footpads.

Make sure outdoor pet water and food bowls are not metal. When the temperature is low, your pet's tongue can stick or freeze to metal surfaces. I think we all remember the scene from *A Christmas Story* when the boy takes a dare to lick the flag poll! Also make sure, Spot's water has not frozen over.

Did you know antifreeze is responsible for thousands of accidental pet poisonings each year? Clean up spills promptly and properly dispose of containers. As little as one teaspoon of antifreeze is enough to make a pet violently ill.

Dog walkers – now that it is dark earlier, make certain motorists can see you crossing the street. Consider adding reflectiv3ee tape to Rover's leash. Take a flashlight. Even if you have enough light to see, maybe the motorists cannot see you. Be safe, and keep picking up after your pet.

To report animal cruelty, neglect or abandonment contact the Capital Area Humane Society's 24-hour voice mail at (614) 777-7387 ext. 250.

Is your dog licensed? Renewals take place from December 1 to January 31 and can be completed online at the Franklin County Auditor's website at www.doglicense.franklincountyohio.gov. A current rabies tag is required (for dogs 3 months of age and older) in order to obtain a license.

– *Mary Hiser, Development Director for the Capital Area Human Society and Colonial Hills resident.*

Thank You Sign Volunteers

Gretchen Pasquinilli and **Doug Matthies** have been working hard keeping our signs up at the entrances to our community. Special thanks to Parks Department employee **Jim Kaufield**, who arranged for the installation of an outside outlet so we can light our large Selby Park sign.

Social Networking – Colonial Hills Online

John Jolley set up several social networking sites for Colonial Hills residents. When you go to **www.colonialhills.us**, you will see them listed at the top left of the page. If you are new to this world, we recommend joining **Facebook** first. For more info call **John Jolley** 264-1597 or **George Campbell** 785-4999 (geocolumbus@gmail.com).

Colonial Hills Civic Association 2009 Trustee List & Schedule

District	Couriers	Trustee	Phone	Address	District Range
1	12	Rob and Mary Jo Wendling	785-9681	199 E. Selby	165-235 E. Selby, 5568-5584 Morning
2	17	Joni Duffy	848-8644	291 E. Selby	254-329 E. Selby
3	18	Kim Garner	781-1423	385 S. Selby Blvd.	300's S. and N. Selby, 5500's Greenwich
4	19	Will Pearce	888-8236	365 S. Selby Blvd.	416-500 S. Selby
5	23	Dan and Jennifer Button	846-5620	572 S. Selby Blvd.	507-627 S. Selby
6	18	Jenny Kendall	825-4782	554 N. Selby Blvd.	510-591 N. Selby
7	20	Jessica Vaughan	204-3498	464 Meadowway	416-501 N. Selby
8	16	Cindy Newell	588-3667	5593 Indianola	5493-5603 Indianola
9	22	Jack Gabalski	844-5122	544 S. Selby Blvd.	491-587 Kenbrook
10	16	Andy & Gretchen Pasquinilli	888-9774	5647 Indianola	416-484 Kenbrook
11	25	Jarrod and Trina Williams	888-8272	301 Kenbrook Dr.	175-318 Kenbrook
12	16	Cindy Taylor	551-1192	361 Kenbrook Dr.	334-396 Kenbrook
13	25	Sara Abele	430-8636	474 Loveman Ave	417-497 Loveman
14	24	Stephanie Hoyle	668-8596	562 Loveman	500-583 Loveman
15	24	Angy Zalenski	436-8153	5631 Indianola	5610-5698 Indianola
16	19	Mary Ann Ogle	888-3138	5759 Indianola	5704-5782 Indianola
17	21	Leslie Gardner	436-6898	495 Park Blvd.	429-507 Park Blvd.
18	22	Melissa Clark	854-9245	566 Park Blvd.	512-580 Park Blvd.
19	17	Megan Henry	843-9292	439 Loveman	464-517 Meadowway Park
20	18	Ben Niebauer	880-9596	562 Meadowway Park	522-584 Meadowway Park
21	22	David & Sara Baumgartner	465-4998	562 Colonial Ave	496-584 Colonial
22	22	Linda Mercadante	848-3455	439 Colonial Ave.	424-497 Colonial
23	22	Ken Paul	329-2164	287 Loveman	334-401 Loveman
24	21	Kim and Rob Miller	430-3167	391 Park Blvd.	345-409 Park Blvd.
25	18	Doug and Nancy Matthies	888-3145	5736 Andover	346-397 Colonial, 5710-5736 Andover
26	17	Christine Hoersten	846-8745	300 Colonial Ave.	263-333 Colonial
27	21	Steve Bass	848-4511	298 Park Blvd.	234-332 Park Blvd.
28	24	Theresa and Cathy Moore	888-7649	567 Park Overlook	483-567 Park Overlook
29	25	Christine Hayes	885-7830	410 Park Overlook	410-482 Park Overlook, 5765-5791 Andover
30	20	Mary Youtz	848-5839	251 Loveman Ave.	251-322 Loveman
31	15	OPEN			5684-5731 Foster
32	17	OPEN			174-235 Loveman
33	18	Karen Young	846-2415	357 Park Blvd.	100's Park Blvd., 212-256 Colonial, Hardy Way
34	7	Ed and Betty Shonk	888-0077	281 Colonial	Lakeridge
35	25	Gretchen Wessel	846-6162	215 E. Selby	164-238 E. Selby, 5549-5573 Foster
40	13	Rosa Huff	430-5433	62 E. Southington	22-85 E. Southington
41-43	49	Rush Creek			To Be Announced

2009 Schedule

These are the dates for the monthly Civic Association meetings at the Shelter House, Tuesdays at 7:30pm

Jan-13 Feb-10 Mar-10 Apr-21 May-12 Jun-9 Jul-14 Aug-11 Sep-8 Oct-13 Nov-10 Dec-8

March 6, 2009	Trustee Dinner Time & Location to be announced	June 27, 2009	Community Garage Sale All day We advertise, you sell.
March 7-28, 2009	Annual Membership Drive \$15 for families, \$5 for seniors & singles	July 4, 2009	Fourth of July Celebration 8:30 am - 5K Run 10:00 am - Parade around Selby Park
April 4, 2009 10 am	Easter Egg Hunt at Selby Park <i>Rain Date: April 11, 2009 at 10:00 am</i>	October 25, 2009 3-5 pm	Halloween Children's Party At Selby Park
May-Sep Saturdays 8-10:30 am	Play Café at Selby Park Bring the kids. Coffee and donuts for sale. A great Colonial Hills tradition.	December 12 December 15 December 20	Luminary Assembly 10am – 1pm Holiday Children's Party 3-5 pm Holiday Decorating Contest 6-10pm Luminary Lighting 7pm