



President's Message

We put together a 2009 Directory last month, but there were numerous errors. The CHCA Board has decided to regroup. Some trustees did not deliver their directories due to the high error rate, so you may not have received one. We apologize for the problem and wanted you to know that the board and additional volunteers are working together to fix the situation. We are correcting each district, and will present each trustee with an updated list that can be checked with the residents. The Directories will then be reprinted, probably for 2010. I especially apologize to the trustees, who had to deal with irritated residents whose entries were incorrect, and of course to all who lived here many years and found their information scrambled. We will fix it!

In this issue we have an article by Kelly Campbell about resources seniors can use to "age in place" in their homes. We've learned that seniors who have strong family and neighbor relationships do better than those who are isolated. Is there a senior neighbor you can reach out to?

George Campbell, 2009-10 CHCA President

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Upcoming Events

Tue, Feb 10 th Tue, Mar 10 th 7:30 pm	Civic Association Meetings at the Shelterhouse.
Thu Feb 19 th 6:30–8:00pm	Colonial Hills Thursday Social Night <i>House Wine, 644 High St.</i>
Fri, Mar 6 th 6:30 pm	Annual Trustee Dinner. <i>Champps Restaurant, 161 Campus View Blvd.</i>
Mar 7 th -28 th	Annual Membership Drive.
Sat, Apr 4 th 10:00 am	Annual Easter Egg Hunt (Selby Park) <i>Egg Stuffing Sat. Mar. 28th 10a-1p at the shelterhouse</i> <i>Rain date is Sat, Apr. 11th at 10 am</i>
Sat, Jun 27 th 9am – 5pm	Community Garage Sale <i>Apply for a \$2 garage sale permit from the City Clerk, 6550 N. High St. by June 20th. You can download a permit from our web site!</i>

Babysitter List (and a Pet Sitter too)

- Rosemary Harris 436-6294, **newborns 8 wks-24 mo.**
- Tatiana Diaz-Packard, 226-5647, Red Cross Certified.
- Jesse Lilly, 352-4515
- Regina Miller, **Pet Sitter**, 306-2291

To be listed here, call George Campbell at **785-4999**,
Or send an e-mail to geocolumbus@gmail.com

Senior Scholarship

We are offering only one \$800 scholarship this year due to the limited revenue from the 2008 Christmas tree sale, which netted \$170 in profit compared to nearly \$800 last year. Applications must be turned in by **Thursday, April 9, 2009** to Mary Youtz (848-5839) at 251 Loveman Avenue or to Eileen Calvey (883-2292) in the Thomas Worthington High School Guidance Office. Please note that 10 hours of CHCA community service are required. A senior scholarship application is available online at www.colonialhills.us

Chairs Needed for Upcoming Events

We need chairpersons to run the following upcoming events. If you want to get involved, now is the time. In many cases, the same people have been doing the events year after year, and it is time to share the work. Please contact George Campbell at 785-4999 (geocolumbus@gmail.com) or attend an upcoming Civic Association meeting to learn more.

- Garden Club (new! more below)
- Community Garage Sale, June 27th
- July 4th Kiddie Parade
- July 4th Games & Events
- Summer Movies at Selby Park
- 2009 Luminary Display
- 2009 Holiday Party co-chair (to assist Mary Ann Ogle)

Garden Club

We are looking for a volunteer to chair a Colonial Hills Garden Club. We were thinking that some of the landscaping around Selby Park is looking tired, but all three parks could benefit from some creative plantings. We really need someone to develop a comprehensive plan for the neighborhood, and break it down into workable projects. We can help solicit materials and volunteers. If you want to have a big impact on the visual presentation of our neighborhood, please contact us or attend the next Civic Association meeting.

Trustee Dinner

The Annual Trustee Dinner will be held on **Friday, March 6th at 6:30 pm** at Champps Restaurant, 161 Campus View Blvd (at Crosswoods). The cost will be free for trustees and \$20 for each additional guest. In cases where both the husband and wife serve as trustee, both meals will be free. Watch for invitations in mid February. Contact Stephanie Hoyle (668-8596) or Roy Gelin (885-4701) for details.

Colonial Hills Thursday Social Night

Last month, we held our first *Thursday Social Night* at **House Wine**, 655 High Street, owned by Hills residents Donnie and Amy Austin. We participated in House Wine's *Thursday Wine Tasting*, where for \$15 per person you could try four delicious wines with cheese and crackers provided. The atmosphere was comfortable and the conversation was excellent.

We plan to meet there again on **Thursday, February 19th from 6:30-8:00 pm**, so please join us for a relaxing and fun social night with your neighbors. You can learn more about House Wine at www.housewine.biz

Egg Hunt

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, April 4th at 10:00 am**. We will be holding our annual Egg Hunt at Selby Park. Should it rain, or the grounds be too muddy from a late snow melt, we will postpone one week to April 11th at 10:00 am. We will be stuffing lots of little plastic eggs with jellybeans and other goodies at the Shelterhouse on **Saturday, March 28th from 10 am – 1 pm**. If anyone can donate prizes we would appreciate it. Chocolate bunnies large and small, inexpensive toys, etc. would be appreciated. We'll put prize slips in some of

the eggs. Items can be dropped off at the Campbell's house, 554 Kenbrook Drive (785-4999).

Welcome East Southington Residents

Last month we began delivering Couriers to the residents on East Southington Avenue. I want to thank **Rosa Huff** for acting as trustee for new district #40. Many of you may not know that the original 1939 model home for Colonial Hills is located on East Southington. We're not sure why these homes weren't incorporated into the Civic Association back in the 1940's (perhaps because Park Blvd wasn't a paved through street to Hartford until the mid 1960's), but we are pleased to welcome them into the Civic Association sixty years later.

The Ohio Railway Museum

We were driving past the Ohio Railway Museum on Proprietors Road when we spied the Pennsylvania Railroad observation car *Williamsport* loaded on a trailer. It was headed to the Dennison Depot Museum in Dennison, Ohio to be restored and displayed. The O.R.M. has begun disposing of their steam railroad collection, and will focus on their electric trolley collection.



The Pennsylvania RR observation car *Williamsport* in the parking lot of the Ohio Railway Museum on December 2, 2008.

Seven years ago, the museum began clearing the "right of way" behind the homes on Indianola Avenue all the way to Lincoln Avenue behind Indianola Park, because they had sold the rights to run a fiber optic cable. Plans to extend the tracks, however, never materialized. If anything changes, we'll let you know.

New Neighbors

Please welcome new neighbors during December, 2008. There were no new neighbors during November. If you are a new renter and want to be listed, please notify us!

- Jennifer Kovacs, 464 N. Selby
- Bridgett Burke & Gary Lannon, 511 Loveman
- Erika & William Rutherford, 5603 Indianola

A Note From the Editor

This is your *Courier* and your Civic Association. If you have ideas of how the CHCA can better serve your needs, please contact Kelly Campbell (785-4999, kellyfcampbell@yahoo.com). Also, we are always looking for short, informative articles or ideas for future Couriers. Keep the feedback coming!

Real Estate For Sale / For Rent

We would like to list housing for sale or for rent in the Courier and on our web site, www.colonialhills.us. This will be a free service. Contact George Campbell at geocolumbus@gmail.com and include the following information - Address, contact name, contact phone number, contact e-mail, price (optional) or lease terms (optional), and web page link, if any.

Aging-In-Place Resources

Most older Americans want to remain independent and in their own homes for as long as possible. This is referred to as "aging-in-place". There are a variety of home and community-based services that make independent living possible for our older neighbors.

My Grandmother was able to stay in her home as she wished until she passed away at the age of 102. She was able to do this only with the assistance of a steady stream of helpers, volunteers, caring members of the community and my mother's diligence. Mom shared with me some of the resources she found to help Grandma. This is a small sampling of the resources available in our community to help our senior citizens stay in our community.

LifeCare Alliance provides services that may be helpful to older citizens including

- limited volunteer light housekeeping
- Meals-on-wheels providing hot, nutritious meals to adults over 60 who are homebound
- visiting nurses who can develop a plan for skilled home care (call 614-278-3145 or email vnp@lifecarealliances.org) under doctor's order paid for by insurance

LifeCare Alliance can be reached by telephone at 614-278-3130. Most applications can be completed over the telephone. LifeCare Alliance has business hours from Monday – Friday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm

Franklin County Senior Options (through Franklin County Office on Aging) offers a variety of services for those 60 and older who may need some assistance to remain in their own homes. These services include

- Medical transportation including wheelchair transportation
- Minor home repairs including wheelchair ramps
- Assistance with personal hygiene and grooming
- Emergency response services in case of fall, etc.
- Senior Options can be reached by telephone at 614-462-6200 or 800-750-0750 for TDD (telecommunications devices for the deaf).

The office is open 9:00 am to 4:30 pm Mon, Tues, Wed, and Friday. Hours Thursdays are 9:00 am to 7:00 pm.

Franklin County Office on Aging also provides Adult Protection services. This department investigates reports of abuse, neglect or exploitation, removal from hazardous living conditions, assistance for relatives trying to obtain guardianship and link to

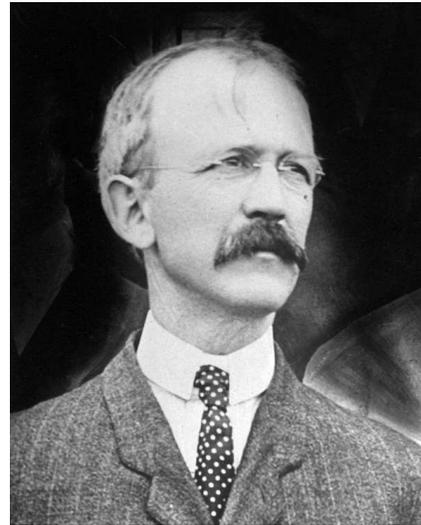
health services or care, and money management advice. This office can be reached at 614-462-4348.

In Colonial Hills, we have the Civic Association's *Helping Hands Program*. Contact Courtney Jolley at 635-0700 if you need help, or if you can volunteer to be a helper.

For the rest of us, look out for our older neighbors. Check in on them in and ask if they need assistance. Running an errand or just stopping by for a visit could mean so much to those who are housebound. I know every visitor brightened Grandma's day.

– Kelly Campbell

Selby Photo Located – Historians Needed!



A.D. Selby

We obtained a photo of Augustine Dawson Selby from Constance Britton, Librarian at the Ohio Agricultural Research & Development Center in Wooster, Ohio. Selby (1859 – 1925) was a botanist who owned the land that the Selby streets and Kenbrook Drive are built on. We are laying down a challenge to any amateur historians to find out more about Selby. Everything we've learned so far is summarized at www.colonialhills.us

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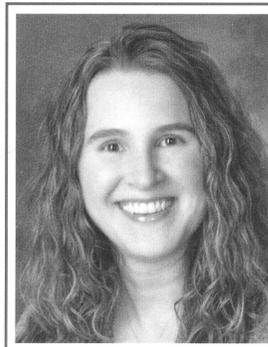
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