

Colonial Hills Courier

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Hello Colonial Hills Friends and Neighbors,

Spring has just flown by, here in the Hills: last month, we had an amazing Easter Egg Hunt, complete with a Real Life Easter Bunny (Thank you, Easter Bunny!!), lots and lots of eggs, and some special baskets—all thanks to a small army of volunteers led by our Eggcellent Kathi Godber. For those who are Egg Hunt Onlookers, you may have noticed that those Egg Hunters scooped up every single egg in less than 60 seconds!! A Big Thanks to all of our volunteers who helped to bring smiles to many faces, young and old!!

Another recent Happening in the Hills: our Civic Association has awarded educational scholarships to Gwyneth Miroslaw (\$2,500), Harrison George (\$1,500) and Abigail Zalenski (\$1,500)!!! Congratulations to these outstanding recent TWHS graduates!! These scholarships were made possible thanks to YOU, through your Civic Association membership dues. It is a wonderful way to support this special community, providing assistance to those who are working to pursue continued education and learning. Our ability to award these scholarships, as well as to underwrite many of our community events, continue to be dependent upon the generosity of our sponsors and the membership dues that we receive from you. I want to give a Shout Out here to our amazing Trustees, who not only deliver the Courier to all of the residents of Colonial Hills (approximately 830!!) but who also play a special role in getting the word out on our annual Membership Drive. This year, there will be something special in store for the District that has the most participation at the end of the Drive!!!

So...what do we have in store for the coming months, you ask? How about the Annual Neighborhood Garage Sale on June 10th ? Interested in participating? It's Easy as Pie!! You can get more information at <https://colonialhills.us/2023/05/colonial-hills-garage-sale-saturday-6-10-2023>! Following close behind the garage sale is the Colonial Hills Fourth of July Celebration and the Run Through The Hills 5K! Then in August, Colonial Hills is planning to take part in a neighborhood "packing" event with the Family Mentor Foundation to pack Buddy Boxes to help hungry kids in our Franklin County community. Please be on the lookout for more details on all of these events on the CHCA website, at <https://colonialhills.us>, or find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/colonialhillscivicasociation.

On a final note, this neighborhood is full of wonderful people who truly care about each other. Be sure to check out the facebook page for opportunities to love and serve your neighbors, whether it be helping someone after a devastating fire, or simply lending a neighbor some baking soda. Keep doing the things that make Colonial Hills special.

Be safe and see you around the Hills!

Warm regards,
Leslie



Colonial Hills

~ The Friendly Community ~

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"I'm having a garage sale. It's just easier than returning stuff I borrowed from the neighbors."

Wait VP of Communication, are you just recycling an old article and joke? Dang right, I am a Dad, I am allowed to use the same old jokes over and over again. So...

You, dear neighbor, are welcome to steal that quote and ethos for yourself. Because what is better than getting rid of stuff you need to clean out? Getting paid for it. If your garage (or basement or shed or whatever nook and cranny you have) is filling up with stuff, then take heart dear friends. Turn that trash into treasure and participate in the Neighborhood Garage Sale on June 10th! There is a hearty market out there for the clothes you no longer want, the tools you replaced because you lost them but then found them later, and the toys you wish you or your in-laws never bought your kids. In need of more decor? Why go to a store and instead poach something from your neighbor. Why keep up with the Joneses when you can simply buy their stuff :)

Colonial Hills will be advertising a neighborhood Garage Sale, sponsored by CyMack Real Estate at cymack.com. Signup by June 3rd, to be on the neighborhood list/map via Facebook, call or email RachaelRDorothy@gmail.com, or call 614-406-6391 to be on the map!

Rachael Dorothy will be coordinating a map of community garage sales on that day, which will be available at the Shelter House. Early sign ups also will receive a garage sale gift pack from CyMack Real Estate!

Official Garage Sale Permits are through the City www.worthington.org/596/Garage-Sale-Permits & neighborhood signups can also be done via <https://forms.gle/pmiXeiG54KbXsXct7>.

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JUNE 3RD
SALE ON
JUNE 10TH



The image shows a business card for Camille Savage, a hair stylist. The card is split into two sections: a white left side with a palm tree graphic and a black right side. The white section contains her name, title, Instagram link, a 20% off promotion, and contact information. The black section contains her name and address.

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COLONIAL AND FOSTER WATERLINE PROJECT

In recent years, Worthington has been working to improve our water infrastructure. One of those projects involves replacing water mains along portions of Colonial Avenue, Foster Avenue, and Kenbrook Drive. The City's contractor will begin working near the south end of Foster on Monday, May 8. During construction, residents can expect to see equipment and materials within the roadway and adjacent right of way. To keep workers and the public safe, there will be temporary road closures in place. The project is expected to take place over the next 3-4 months. We appreciate the neighborhood's patience and understanding as we complete this important upgrade to your public utility.

For more information, please contact the City of Worthington Service and Engineering Department at 614-431-2425. The Service and Engineering Department will also be hosting an informational meeting at the Selby Park shelter house on Wednesday May 10 at 7:00pm. Staff will be available to discuss the project and field questions.

BUDDY BOX PACKING

One of the wonderful things about being in a neighborhood that has a school in the midst is the ability to serve the school in practical ways. One of those ways we have chosen to serve as the Colonial Hills Civic Association is to partner with the Family Mentor Foundation's Buddy Box program.

**SUNDAY,
AUGUST 13TH**

Many children who qualify for free lunch or reduced fee lunch at their schools have little to eat at home and return to school after weekends distracted by their hunger and unable to focus on learning. Family Mentor Foundation's goal is to bridge the gap; to send these kids home with a Buddy Box every Friday during the school year to alleviate their hunger. A Buddy Box is a box filled with kid-friendly, nutritious, nonperishable, individual sized-food items that are easy for children to eat or prepare on their own. These meals and snacks help sustain the children on the weekends when they are not in school.

Sunday, August 13th, we will head over to the Family Mentor Foundation and pack boxes to help prepare a portion of the over 1,500 boxes they serve every week. Last time we almost packed 1,000 boxes! Let's beat it this time! Watch the Facebook page for a signup or contact Emma Lindholm lindholmfamily653@gmail.com for more details or visit <https://www.familymentorfoundation.org/> for more information on how you can get involved!

5K RUN THROUGH THE HILLS

Colonial Hills Runners, Walkers, and Joggers, it's almost time for the event you've been waiting for all year, the 4th of July 5k **Run Through the Hills!**

Registration is open at runsignup.com/Race/OH/Worthington/RunthroughtheHills, and if you register by 11:59 pm May 31st, you'll get our special early bird pricing of \$25. Starting June 1st, the price will go up to \$30. Online registration will cut off at midnight on July 2nd. You can register race day in person. You can pick up your race number bib the night before, July 3rd, at the Selby Park shelter house between 5:30 and 7:30 pm. Please note that t-shirts are "first registered, first served"; we order a limited quantity.

This race is open to everyone, so bring your friends, co-workers, and random people you see running on the street :-)! Speed doesn't matter; it's all about challenging yourself and having fun. Race day registration starts at 7:30 am on July 4th, and the race will begin at 8:30 am. Hope to see you there; it will be a great day for a 5k!!

All profit goes to the Colonial Hills Civic Association to subsidize Fourth of July festivities and the Colonial Hills Civic Association scholarships for continuing education.

TUESDAY,
JULY 4TH,
8:30AM AT SELBY

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE CONTEST

Did you know that there are Membership Dues you can voluntarily contribute to the Colonial Hills Civic Association? We humbly ask that you consider donating \$5 for seniors or \$15 for families. To up the ante though, we are going to do something we have never done before. Are you ready for it?

(cue the drumroll) **Proudly announcing the Membership Drive Contest!** The District with the most percent participation will have an Ice Cream Party for all residents in that district! Not only that, but you will also get your District inscribed on the Colonial Hills Cup, a new trophy we are creating for this event. If there is a tie, the tie breaker will be the dollar amount raised but we are truly aiming for participation. The honored district will get a shoutout in the next Courier and be beloved by all in the neighborhood (ok, so maybe that last bit is a little excessive, but we really do want to encourage participation!).

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

- Senior: \$5.00
- Family: \$15.00

BONUS LEVELS

consider this like you unlocked a cheat code in Mario Kart

- Hills Helper: \$30
- Colonial Champion: \$50
- Loveman Champs: \$75
- Selby Superstar: \$100
- Park, Park & Park: \$150
- Ravine Resident: \$200

4TH OF JULY

One of the finest movie scenes of all time is in *The Sandlot*, where they play the “under the lights” game, lit by fireworks and serenaded by Ray Charles in the soundtrack. The best kind of movie is the one that invites the viewer in, and that scene awakens the most patriotic, neighborhood and community loving part of my soul. And then I realize I have that style event right in my backyard at the legendary fields of Selby Park on the 4th of July. Lest you have doubts, show up and experience it for yourself.

There will be something for everyone: Bounce houses (one kid & one “adult/big kid”), a giant inflatable Slip ‘n Slide, a Dunk Tank featuring local celebrities (aka teachers), midway games, lawn games, a 50/50 raffle, Face Painting, a Food Truck & Kona Ice (thanks CyMack!), and more. If you have never experienced the fun of the Fourth in the neighborhood, be sure to come on down and participate!

The day will begin with a 5K run through the Hills. The annual kiddie parade (10:00 am) is available for children of all ages. We encourage decorating bikes, trikes, wagons, children, pets, scooters and anything else with wheels in patriotic décor. Those participating will circle the park while the judges and community enjoy their “parade” around the park. At 10:30, following the kiddie parade, the midway games, bounce houses, face painters and food trucks will open for all to enjoy. Because of our good relationship with the City of Worthington Parks and Recreation Department, they are generously granting us permission to keep cool on a hot day by allowing us access to running water. Thank you to those who have worked hard over the years to develop this relationship with the city. Dunk Tank Ready, aim, toss! Get ready for a splash! See you there!

THANK YOU, TRUSTEES

In any neighborhood with a vibrant community, the reality is that it takes a lot of work and intentionality to keep the neighborhood connected. The veins that carry the lifeblood of this neighborhood are the Trustees. The heart keeps pumping because this army of individuals are the ones who deliver the Courier, the Luminaries, the garage sale posts, and help drive the Membership Drive. It is often unappreciated and unknown and yet the selfless service that this group provides is what keeps this train running down the tracks. They are all listed in the Trustees link on the website home page.

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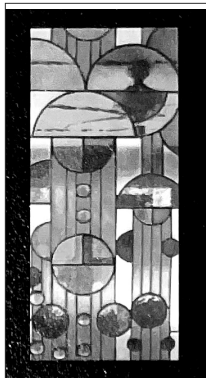
SCHOLARSHIP & SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Congratulations to our scholarship winners for 2023! Did you know that we were able to give out \$5,500 in Scholarship Awards to students from Colonial Hills? We would love to continue doing this into the future, so make sure your high schoolers are getting volunteer hours (a requirement!) during things like the Fourth of July celebration or Buddy Box program (noted elsewhere in this newsletter). Our winners were:

Gwyneth Mirosław - "I absolutely love living in Colonial Hills... This is the sort of place where you can walk down the street and say hi to anyone and everyone responds back with a smile. Where almost everyone on the street knows who lives where." Thanks for all your volunteering Gwyneth!

Harrison George - "This community has shaped my life by the friends and families I have met over the years... Colonial Hills is a community that looks out for one another and I know my experiences growing up here will serve me in college and beyond."

Abigail Zalenski - "It's like we live in a secret neighborhood and when you go down Hartford and turn down around the park, when it is fall and all the leaves are colorful in reds and oranges, I feel like I live in the best part of Worthington.... Living here gave me opportunities to see what community is all about."



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