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Park Hills Picnic is Coming Up

Don't Miss the Park Hills Picnic!

Mark Sunday, September 11, as the date for this year's annual picnic.

If you're an established resident, you know that this picnic is a great way to wind up the summer — great fun for the entire family and a chance to get together with friends and neighbors.



Soft drinks and beer, as well as hot dogs and hamburgers are provided at a minimal cost. And there are plenty of activities and events including music, games, pony rides and giveaways for the kids.

The Park Hills Picnic also includes the annual covered dish competition, where you can savor some of Park Hills' finest home cooking. Prizes will be awarded for the best dish in each of the following categories: Appetizers and breads; soups and salads; main courses and side dishes; and desserts. Anyone wanting to enter a dish in the competition should arrive promptly with their entry at 2:00 p.m.

Take note: When the food judging is over, only those families bringing a dish will be allowed to help themselves to the buffet of outstanding food that was entered in the competition. So get those recipes out and cook up a winner!

Last year's picnic was a big success. This year's picnic promises to be even better! The fun starts at 2:00 pm at Trolley Park. See you there!

Park Hills Fire Department and Rescue Squad Seeking Help

The Park Hills Fire Department has been serving our City for over 50 years. Throughout those years, it's been operated and staffed by dedicated volunteers.

Volunteers are very special people. They contribute their spare time, outside of work and personal obligations, to help others in a time of need.

Men and women who serve a volunteer fire department give their time to learn what it takes to be a professional in fire or E.M.S. through classroom instruction as well as hands-on experience.

Unfortunately, the increase in fires and accidents in Park Hills and surrounding areas has resulted in a shortage of personnel. Our current staff is not meeting our local emergency needs.

We are accepting applications from individuals who are interested in helping us boost our volunteer membership for both the Fire Department and Rescue Squad. If you feel you could help the City in one or both of these areas, please stop by the Fire Department to receive additional information.

Timely Reminders from the Park Hills Police Department

There are a number of things our Police Department would like to remind residents of. First, during the summer months and into fall, yard sales are held throughout our city. A license must be purchased (\$5.00) before the sale. Additionally, no signs advertising a yard sale can be placed on public or private property without the consent of the owner —

this includes telephone and electric poles. All signs need to be removed within 24 hours after the conclusion of the sale.

Secondly, with the overnight parking ordinance lifted, we find more cards parked on the street. Parking opposite the flow of traffic is a violation, not to mention dangerous. Please remember to park your car properly.

Thirdly, summer is a good time for door-to-door "swindlers." Most sales people who come to your door are reputable, but some are not. Compare offers from known companies and check references before signing any contracts. Never let a stranger into your home for any reason. Permits may be required for work done at your home. Contact the city clerk before having any work done. Call our department immediately if you feel something may be suspicious.

Last, but not least, if you're going on vacation inform your neighbors of your travel plans and ask them to collect your mail and other items left at your home while you're away. Use timers in your home and leave your shades and blinds in their normal positions. Call our office and we will be glad to keep an extra eye on your home while you're away.

We have an officer on duty 24 hours a day. Please call immediately if you see or hear anything suspicious in your neighborhood. You can call Kenton County Dispatch at 911 or 356-3191 any hour of the day or night and request to speak to our officer on duty to report any suspicious activity.

If you have any questions, call our office during daytime hours (9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.) Again, please report any suspicious activity immediately, not hours or days later when it is much harder or impossible to do anything about it.

It's Not too Late !!!!!

A BIG thanks to all residents who renewed their memberships to the Park Hills Civic Association. Your support and contributions will allow us to continue to sponsor many varied events and activities in the coming year.

Next on the agenda is the year-end, city picnic. We invite all to come and enjoy this day at Trolley Park. For those families who haven't as yet renewed their membership for the 1994-95 year, it isn't too late. Please stop by the city building and fill out a membership form today. The cost is only \$10.00 per family and \$5.00 for a single. Some of the events and activities your membership feels help support are: The HUB quarterly newsletter (you're reading it now!); the city picnic in September; the Christmas party and tree-lighting ceremony; the childrens' Easter egg hunt and the Memorial Day parade. We also support many other community enrichment programs too numerous to mention.

Park Hills Boy Receives Eagle Award

Anderew Hebbeler, 15, has earned the highest advancement award the Boy Scouts of America offers to Scouts, the Eagle Award. Andy was recognized in ceremonies on April 9, 1994, at Immanuel Methodist Church in Lakeside Park. He joins other outstanding American citizens who have become Eagle Scouts, among them Gerald R. Ford, Neil A. Armstrong and Jimmy Stewart.

A member of Troop 47, chartered by Immanuel United Methodist Church, Andy is one of approximately 2% of all Scouts who attain the Eagle rank. Each candidate must earn 21 merit badges and successfully complete a community service project to earn his Eagle. Andy chose to orchestrate an 80

man-hour work team of volunteers for a restoration project at Redwood Rehabilitation Center which included painting, scraping paint from door frames and repairs.

Andy is a member of St. Agnes Church. He attends Covington Latin High School where he is in the 11th grade. He is the son of Michael and Cathy Hebbeler of Altavia Ave. His future plans are to attend private college majoring in pre-med.

News from the Hospitality Committee

The committee has presented Welcome Packets to the following new residents:

Stephen and Jacqueline Hoffring - 1119 Cleveland Avenue
Carl Wooten - 1022 Jackson Road
Chris and Natalie Maier - 1002 Rose Circle
Carl and Julie Snowden - 1008 Rose Circle
Michael and Rachel Wilmes - 1040 Altavia
John and Holly Ross - 1504 Sleepy Hollow
Thomas and Betty Marshall - 1329 Amsterdam Road
Gary and Janet Reich - 1030 Lawton Road

If you are a new resident and have not received your Welcome Packet, please contact Millie Fangman at 581-0022 or Jennifer Ryan at 431-7273.

Garden Club News

Among the Garden Club's many projects is a Home Tour which is being planned for June, 1995. Anyone interested in showcasing their home or helping in any way with this project should contact Millie Fangman at 581-0022, Marge Frankl at 491-6091 or Janice Cantrell at 431-0583.

Some Thoughts from Park Hills' Tree Board

Work is underway in the Northern Kentucky area to create a regional urban forestry council. We are pleased to be part of this formation. More information will be shared as this endeavor becomes a reality.

Sharing a few thoughts of Sara Ebenreck (*Shading our Cities*) in the value of trees:

"Trees outstrip most people in the extent and depth of their work for the public good. Twenty-four hours every day, through the spinning cycle of the year, they're on the job creating an environment beneficial to our physical and mental health. They cool the air, break the wind, and intercept the rain. Pollution cleanup goes on noiselessly and without political argument. They cut our fuel bills and increase our property values. Their beauty rivals that of any art gallery. Stress reduction and energy recharge are available at a glance . . .

What makes a city special, gives it a feeling that is different from any other place? In lucky cities, the answer to that question involves trees. Like other enduring features such as rivers, hills and massive building centers, trees are in place for the long haul. The outstanding trees of a city are also those that have found a healthy niche in the ecology of that particular landscape. Whether they're the palms of Honolulu or Portland's Douglas firs, trees speak of a place on earth that is their home as well as ours.

Even with hard economic numbers, the value of pride in one's place is clear. Pride encourages strong citizen involvement in the city. When a sense of place is strong, people have a clear idea of why they like living in a city and what they want to support with their dollars and energy."

The Park Hills Tree Board invites you to join the National Arbor Day Foundation and learn more of the newly developing forestry council.



Sunshine Committee News

We congratulate the following new parents:

Clark and Elizabeth Nowland, Audubon
Thomas and Ann O'Hara, Audubon
Scotta and Sheila Cooney, Audubon
Josepy and Mary Jo Mentink Schulte, Park Dr.
Don and Bonnie Ratliff, Old State Road
John and Donna Weiss, 1006 Rose Circle
John and Holly Ross, Sleepy Hollow
Dave and Betsy Weber, Rose Circle
Paul and Barb Stevens, Park Drive

The Committee extends its deepest sympathy to the following families on the loss of their loved ones:

Mary and Bill Meyers family
Ted Miles family
Louise Wells family
Peg Hanser family
Chittum family
Paul Sommerkamp family

Park Hills Celebrates Memorial Day in Grand Fashion



PHOTO BY GREG CLAYPOLE

The Park Hills Memorial Day Parade was a huge success. The largest crowd in recent memory was on hand to view morre floats and attractions than ever before.

The 50th anniversary of the D-Day Invasion was commemorated with a collection of rare, antique flags of World War II along with photos from Dwight D. Eisenhower's personal assistant. The photos and flags were shared with residents courtesy of John Tippey, who also made a model of the full 50 miles of Normandy Beach.

The parade concluded at Memorial Plaza where a flag-raising ceremony was held. Angela Wilson, a fifth-grader at Ft. Wright Elementary School and the winner of the Memorial Day Essay contest read her award-winning essay.

Speeches were made and area veterans were honored. In addition to those whose memorials surround the flag pole, other Park Hills veterans were recognized, including Dave Fangman and Richard Spoor, who

The Story of the Oak Trees and Bronze Markers in Memorial Plaza

During World II, the citizens of Park Hills contributed liberally to the fund needed to make organization of a fine Civilian Defense Corps. When the war was over, the Corps founded \$381.02 remaining in the Civilian Defense Fund. Although ads were inserted in three daily newspapers offering to refund the money to those who donated it, no claims were made. The fund was turned over to the Park Hills civic Association to establish a Memorial fund, the purpose of which was to erect a sutiable memorial to Park Hills residents who made the supreme sacrifice. The result was the planting of the oak trees at the Park entrance with a broze marker at the foot of each tree. Each marker bears of the name of each of the following rsaidents: John Wlechman, Eugene Finke, Edward Rickhaus, Jr. Fred Klenmper, Alan Clare and Paul Dentke.

served in the Vietnam War, John Klette and Colonel Harold Parsons, who served in both World War II and Korea, and Ken Hornbeck who served in World War II. (Transcripts of the speeches which were made on each of these individual's war-time efforts can be obtained by contacting Poppy Evans, *The HUB*, 431-1283.)

Congratulations and well-deserved appreciation go to Dave Schlotthauer who did a great job of organizing and managing the day's events as he has done so effectively in past years.

Covington Catholic High School Wins German Competition

Last April, Covington Catholic competed in the University of Cincinnati German competition. Their 10-minute skit won first place in the competition, unseating Sycamore High School of their seven-year hold on this trophy. The play had to be original and written and spoken totally in the German language. Those involved in the

play were third-year German students and Juniors: Matt Danneman, Tim Dirkes, Mark Engelman, Eric Erpenbeck, Terry Farro, Kevin Kreger, Zack Kunkel. Matt Lehman, Kevin Listerman, Jason Neiser, Nick Ritter, Bill Stamm and Ryan Walsh.

Other students experiencing success at this competition included Aaron Abell from St. Agnes Parish who took third place in Level I Reading Comprehension.



KATHLEEN M. HAMMONS

Kathleen ("Kit") Hammons - Candidate for State Representative from the 63rd Legislative District, Kenton County

Personal: Age 41, lifelong resident of Kenton County; resides in Park Hills with husband Mike and children - Katie, 17, senior, Dixie Heights High School; John, 13, freshman, Villa Madonna Academy; and Tess, 9, fourth grade, St. Agnes School. Parents - Howard Maxfield and Nancy O'Connell Maxfield; Siblings - Maureen Maxfield, Mary Stevie, Patti Love, Paul Maxfield and Anne Maxfield.

Employment: Owner/President of Sandy Cohen Printers, Covington, Kentucky.

Education: Villa Madonna Academy, 1970; Thomas More College, B. A., 1973; University of Kentucky, Masters Degree, 1977.

Professional Affiliations: No. Ky. Chamber of Commerce; Covington Business Council - co-chair of Government Affairs Council; Mainstrasse Village Assn.; Women Entrepreneurs Inc.; past board member, Behringer-Crawford Museum; past board member, ACT for Covington; past chair, Fundraising Comm. No. Ky. Arts Council.

Community Activities: Park Hills Civic Assn.; St. Elizabeth Medical Center Benefactor's Club; Diocesan Finance Council; Redwood School Monte Carlo Volunteer; Alumni Assns. of Villa Madonna Academy, Thomas More College and University of Kentucky; Parent-Teacher Assns. of St. Agnes School, Villa Madonna Academy and Dixie Heights High School.

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