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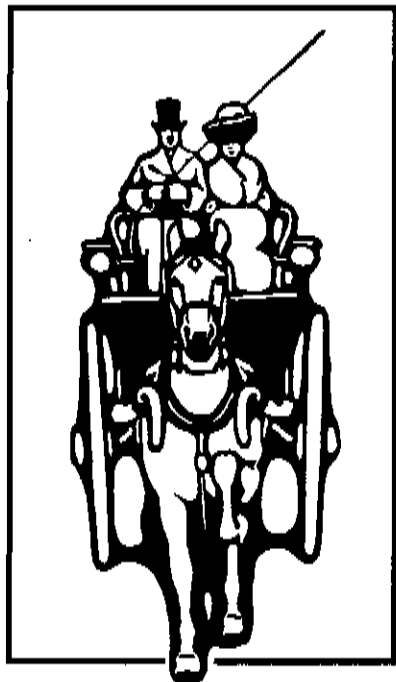
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Luminary Night and Holiday Festivities Scheduled for December 10th

Park Hills' celebration of the holidays kicks-off with the community's annual Luminary Night—an evening when Park Hills truly shines in the glow of thousands of candles! Whether walking through Park Hills or riding in a carriage, the beauty of Luminary Night is one event you won't want to miss.

The evening's schedule of events are as follows:

- 5:00 Luminaries are lit (If you haven't ordered your luminary kit yet, see the order form inside this issue.)



- 6:00 Tree lighting ceremony at Trolley Park.
- 6:30 Children's Christmas Party at the Fire House hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus. Refreshments will be served, and Santa has gifts for the children! You must be a member of the Civic Association to attend. (Dues are payable at the door.) Call Dave Radle

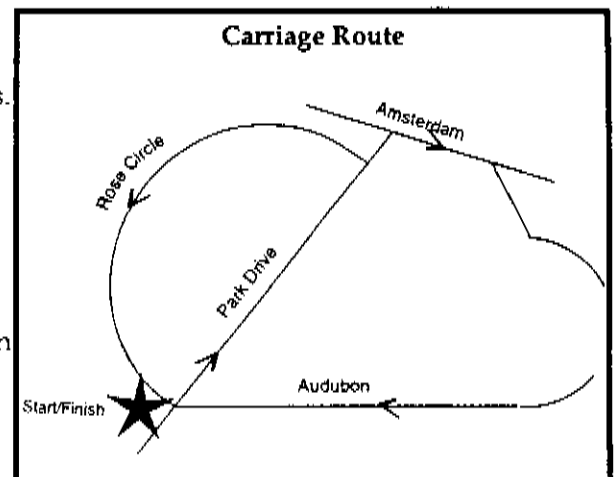
at 49-0809 to make reservations.

- 5:30-Midnight The Civic Association will also be scheduling horse-drawn carriage rides through the community.

Carriage rides cost is \$6/person for Civic Association members and \$7/person for non-members. Carriages leave every twenty minutes, and those scheduling rides should be prepared to arrive promptly at their scheduled time.

The fun of riding through Park Hills and seeing the community's decorations from a horse-drawn carriage is a big part of the evening's events. Call Bill Meyer at 491-3941 as soon as possible to schedule your ride.

NOTE: On Luminary Night, there will be no on-street parking on Rose Circle or Lawton. This will be strictly enforced.



There's Still Time to Join the Park Hills Civic Association

It's still possible to pay dues for membership in the Park Hills Civic Association. A year's membership costs \$5.00 for a single membership, \$10.00 for a family. Funds from the annual membership drive support community events such as the Memorial Day parade, Luminary carriage rides and annual picnic as well as playground equipment, signs and other items that improve our quality of life in the Park Hills community. Membership in the Civic Association is required for all families with children attending the annual Christmas party.

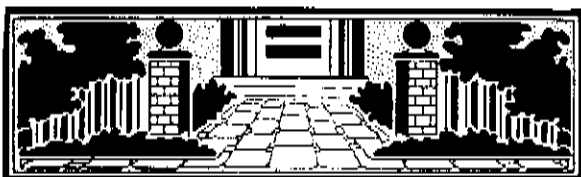
Share Your Garden Week

This summer we would like to share Park Hills gardens with others in the community. All gardens are welcome, not just those which are professionally landscaped.

Do you have a favorite flower patch, conifers, shrubs, etc.? The Garden Club is looking for many brave souls who are willing to place a "Welcome to My Garden" sign in their yard during the designated week.

This is a free tour just for us Park Hillians. The emphasis will not be on professional displays, but will offer an opportunity to know your neighbors and share the joy of gardening (or just a pretty bloom), meeting people and sharing our community spirit. Please volunteer.

If you have a favorite week this summer, just let us know. We'll contact you and publish a list of gardens in the next issue of the HUB. Contact Janice Cantrell, 806 Arlington Rd., 431-0583.



Park Hills Dinner Dance

Come join your friends and neighbors for an evening of fine dining and entertainment on Saturday, February 24 at the Devou Park Memorial Building. The theme for this year's event will be Mardi Gras.

The evening will include dinner catered by Mardis and Meyer and music provided by Rick Julcr. For everyone's additional enjoyment, entertainment will also include a caricature artist and palm reader. Wine, beer and setups will be complimentary throughout the evening.

Please make your reservations immediately by mailing the enclosed flyer. Due to the capacity of the Memorial Building, space is limited, therefore, reservations must be submitted by February 9, 1996. Cost is \$25 per person.

If you have questions, please call Sophie Bayer at 431-7699.

Don't Forget Your City Auto Sticker

City stickers will be on sale in the Clerk's office starting January 1, 1996. Every vehicle in the city must have one. Cost is \$12. If purchased after February 28, 1996, a \$10 penalty will be added.

When purchasing a sticker, please bring your car's license plate number with you. Stickers may be ordered by mail by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope, your check, name, address, year and make of automobile and license plate number to the Clerk's Office, 1106 Amsterdam Rd., Park Hills, KY 41011.

Open House Honors Evelyn Fogarty

An Open House in honor of Mrs. Evelyn Fogarty's retirement will be held Friday, December 15, 1995, in the City Building Council Chambers from 2:00-5:00 p.m.

Everyone is welcome!

A Message from the Park Hills Police Department

With the end of the year 1995, we felt our citizens would like to know something about the activities of your Police Department. The following is a list of calls/reports your Police Department responded to between January 1, 1995 and October 31, 1995.

Alarm Drops (Home/Business) 135
Assault Reports 4
Auto Accidents with Injuries 7
Auto Accidents without Injuries 56
Building Permit Checks 2
Burglary Report (Home/Business) 15
Burglary Attempts (Residence) 2
Criminal Mischief Reports 29
Death Investigations 1
Disturbances/Fights 18
Dog/Animal Complaints 60
Domestic Complaints/Fights 113
Garbage Complaints 5
Indecent Exposures 1
Juvenile Taken (Custody/Detention) 6
Landlord/Tenant Disputes 3
Mentally Disturbed/Ill Persons 5
Miscellaneous Complaints 177
Missing Persons 6
Motorist Assist 51
Occupational License Checks 25
Parking Complaints 31
Harassing Communications 7
Places Found Open 11
Property Damage Reports 16
Prowler Reports 15
Recovered Property 13
Sex Related Offenses 2
Susp. Person Complaints Checked 76
Susp. Auto Complaints Checked 59
Theft-Auto-Over \$300 3
Theft-Auto Contents-Over \$300 10
Theft-Auto Contents-Under \$300 16
Theft-Auto Parts-Over \$300 1
Theft-Auto Parts-Under \$300 3
Theft-License Plate 1
Theft-From Building-Over \$200 8
Theft-From Building-Under \$300 3
Theft-Purse 1
Theft-Bicycle 4

Theft-From Coin Machine 1
Theft-From Yard 2
Theft-By Deception-Over \$300 1
Attempted Thefts 6
Traffic Warnings (verbal) 36
Warrants Served 17
Well Being Checks 17
Traffic Complaints 8
911 Hang-Up Calls 15
Notifications (Death, Etc.) 2
Loud Music/Person Complaints 23
Fireworks Complaints 4
Suicide/Attempted Suicide 2
Intoxicated Persons 12
Blight Complaint 1
Criminal Trespassing 1
Stalking 1
Receiving Stolen Property (Vehicle) 1
Forged Instrument 1

Over and above these reports filed by the officers, there were 406 State Traffic Citations issued for offenses such as speeding, disregarding traffic control devices, etc. and 525 City Citations for parking and city sticker violations.

In September, Spec. Ron Johnson left our department to accept a position with the Ft. Mitchell Police Department. Ron has been an officer with Park Hills since 1990. Our recommendation for a new officer was presented to the Mayor and Council Members at the November meeting.

With the holiday season approaching, residents will be away from home often. Remember to lock your doors, leave lights on in and around your home. If you see anything suspicious around your neighborhood, call 911 immediately.

**THE MEMBERS OF YOUR POLICE DEPARTMENT
WISH ALL PARK HILLS RESIDENTS A SAFE AND
HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!**

Park Hills Picnic Draws Winning Recipes

Everyone who attended the annual picnic, held Sunday, September 12th at Trolley Park, had a great time. Thanks to the hard work of Neil Frankl and other volunteers, the new playground was open. The weather cooperated, and the efforts of many volunteers, including event chairman, Eric Soderlund, made this event a huge success.

Some of Park Hills' best food was entered in the covered dish competition. In response to requests from those at the picnic who sampled the winning recipes, we're printing the recipes for the winning dishes:

Main & Side Dishes - Marge Frankl

Penne with Tomatoes, Olives and Two Cheeses

6 Tbs. olive oil
1-1/2 cups chopped onions
1 tsp. minced garlic
3 28-oz. cans Italian plum tomatoes, drained
2 tps. dried basil
1-1/2 tps. dried, crushed red pepper
2 cups canned, low-salt chicken broth
1 lb. penne pasta
2-1/2 cups, grated Havarti cheese
1/2 cup sliced, pitted, brine-cured olives (such as Kalamata)
1/3 cup grated Parmesan
1/4 cup finely chopped, fresh basil

Heat 3 tbs. oil in a heavy, large dutch oven over medium high heat. Add onion and garlic, sautee about five minutes. Mix in tomato, dried basil and crushed red pepper. Bring to a boil, breaking up tomatoes. Add broth, bring to a boil. Reduce heat to medium and simmer until mixture thickens to chunky sauce and is reduced to six cups, stirring occasionally (about 1 hour and ten minutes). Preheat oven to 375° and cook pasta in large pot until tender but still firm. Strain well and return pasta to same pot. Toss with 3 tbs. of oil, pour sauce over and toss to blend. Mix in Havarti cheese. Transfer pasta to 13x9x2-in glass baking dish. Sprinkle with olives and Parmesan. Bake until pasta is heated through, about 30 minutes. Sprinkle with fresh basil.

Appetizers & Breads - Poppy Evans

Roasted Peppers with Garlic Pita Wedges

4 red and/or yellow sweet bell peppers
4 cloves garlic, minced
1/4 cup olive oil
1/3 cup Kalamat olives, cut into slivers
1 small red onion, cut into slivers
2 Tbsp. drained capers
2 Tbsp. fresh basil
2 Tbsp. balsamic vinegar

Cut peppers in half lengthwise. Remove stems and seeds.

Place peppers, cut side down, on unheated broiler pan. Broil 2-3 in. from hear 10 minutes or until pepper skin is charred. Place pepper half in clean paper bag. Close bag and let stand 10 minutes. Remove skin, rinsing pepper pieces as necessary. Cut pepper pieces into thin strips. Combine pepper pieces, garlic, olive oil and olives. Toss to coat. Cover with plastic wrap and let stand at room temperature 2 hours or refrigerate up to 2 days. Add onions and capers and let stand at room temperature 1 to 2 hours. Just before serving, stir in basil and balsamic vinegar. Serve on Garlic Pita Wedges

Garlic Pita Wedges

1/2 cup butter, softened
4 large cloves garlic, minced
1/2 tsp. dried oregano, crushed
3 pita breads with pockets
1/2 cup fresh grated Parmesan cheese

Combine butter, garlic, fresh ground black pepper and oregano. Quarter pita rounds and split in half. Spread thin layer of butter mixture on inner side of each pita wedge. Sprig with Parmesan cheese. Preheat broiler. Place wedges, butter side up, in single layer on baking sheet. Broil 4 in. from heat 2-3 minutes or until golden. Flip wedges and broil 2 more minutes.

Desserts - Mark Schenthal

Praline Brownies

Brownies:
4 sq. unsweetened chocolate (dark if available)
2 sticks margarine or butter
4 eggs
2 c. sugar
1 tsp. vanilla
1 c. sifted flour
1/4 tsp. salt
3/4 c. chocolate chunks

Melt chocolate with butter or margarine in a small sauce pan. Beat eggs well in a large bowl. Gradually beat in sugar until mixture is thick (takes about 5-7 minutes with an electric mixer). Stir in vanilla and chocolate mixture, fold in the flour and salt until blended. Fold in chocolate chunks. Pour mixture into 9"x13"x2" pan with greased bottom. Bake at 350° for 27 minutes, or until shiny and firm on top. Do not overbake—middle should be fudge-like. Cool before frosting.

Praline Topping

1 lb. light brown sugar
2 Tbs. Karo syrup
1/2 c. whipping cream
5 Tbs. margarine or butter
1 tsp. vanilla
1 c. pecan pieces (optional)
candy thermometer

In a dutch oven (it seems large, but trust me) dissolve the sugar and Karo syrup in the cream over medium heat. Bring the mixture to a boil and continue cooling until the candy thermometer registers 118°, stirring occasionally. Add butter, vanilla and pecans and cook to 236° and remove from heat. Cool until 225° and beat until just thickened (this happens almost instantly. Do NOT watch a movie or football game). Pour mixture on top of brownies and cool for 30 minutes.

Message From Eric Söderlund, President, Park Hills Civic Association

I'd like to express my thanks to the people of Park Hills Civic Association for giving me the opportunity to serve in the office of President. Officers on the Board of Directors serve for two years before new Board members are elected. New Board of Directors officers will assume office February, 1996.

The Park Hills Civic Association Board of Directors has been privileged to benefit from the fine work and dedication of Dave Radel, Vice President; Jack Wells, Treasurer; and Liz Stephens, Secretary; as well as our Board members including Janice Cantrell, Poppy Evans, Neil Frankl, Millie Fangman, Greg Dimuzio, Bob Amott, Giles Strategier, Dave Weber, Carol and Jonathan Chace, Bill Meyer; Linda Mikhail and John Tippey.

Each of these individuals has played a significant, often behind-the-scenes role in many of the civic events in Park Hills. The Board has worked together in the spirit of civic responsibility, cooperation and fun. They have accepted PHCA responsibilities at a sacrifice to their their busy personal and professional schedules, and it has been an honor for me to work with them.

For a city the size of Park Hills, we are fortunate to have such a number of citizens who enthusiastically share their time and very special talents to help make our various civic events and projects successful. Traditional activities like the Easter Egg Hunt, Memorial Day Parade, September Picnic, Halloween Party, and December Holiday festivities are kept fresh and exciting by these people's imagination and creativity—and hard work.


I want to express my gratitude to Mayor Melissa Worstell, the Park Hills City Council, Dennis Finke, and the Police and Fire Departments for their interest, help and cooperation, as well as the Park Hills businesses for their involvement and generosity.

I hope you will join us at the Park Hills Dinner Dance on February 24th at the Memorial Building in Devou Park as the new Board of Directors Officers are being introduced. They are Giles Strategier of Jackson Road, President, Carol Chace of Audubon Road, Treasurer, Julie Rowckamp of Breckenridge Road, Secretary, and I will serve as Vice President.

Annual Fire, Police and Rescue Fund Drive

The Annual Fund Drive for the Fire, Police and Rescue squads will take place on Sunday, December 3rd. Volunteers from these three departments, from the Civic Association and from the community will all pull together on this day to help canvas our neighborhoods. Last year residents contributed close to \$15,000 for this fund. These funds are used every year for a variety of special needs beyond those which are covered by the city. In the past year, purchases by the three departments included a new ambulance, ladders for the pumper, flashlights and a lap top computer. This money also helped the departments in many other ways, funding seminars and training classes. This fund drive helps keep the rest of our city taxes as low as possible.

The Park Hills Civic Association coordinates this fund drive and distributes the fund drive money evenly to the three departments. We also receive an annual accounting of the money spent by each department. Your contribution directly helps your community, so please contribute what you can to this worthwhile fund.



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