
have an entry. Welcome one and all. Please call David Schlothauer, Parade Chairman, with your entry: 491-6051.

Flag Raising Ceremony: At the conclusion of the parade, a flag raising ceremony will be conducted at the intersection of Amsterdam Road and Park Drive in Park Hills. A flag that has flown over our nation's capitol will be presented to the City by State Representative Jon Draud, and flower displays will be placed at the base of the commemorative markers honoring the Park Hills residents who have given their lives in war. Kenton County Judge Executive Richard L. Murgatroyd will lead the ceremonies in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Annual Essay Contest: The flag raising ceremonies include a presentation to the winners of the 2002 Memorial Day essay contest conducted between the schools of the Ft. Wright Grade School and St. Agnes School. The 2002 Essay Theme is "Memorial Day 2002, What It Means To Me." A \$50 first prize is awarded to the best essay, and a \$25 second prize is awarded to the second place essay. Essays are 200 words or less, and are coordinated through the respective schools. Authors of both winning essays ride in the parade in a convertible.

Garden Club Bake Sale: A bake sale sponsored by the Park Hills Garden Club will open for business prior to the parade at the corner of Amsterdam and Park Drive. Please bring your cakes, pies and goodies for sale, as the proceeds support our Garden Clubs activities. And don't forget to visit the Fire House following the Parade to round out a perfect day at the parade. Come join the fun!!

A MESSAGE FROM:

**President of the Park Hills
Civic Association:**



Hello Everyone!

I hope this issue of the HUB finds all of you enjoying another beautiful spring day in Park Hills. As I'm writing this, I'm listening to the hum of lawnmowers, the buzz of weed-eaters and neighbors outside working in their yards. It's yet another reason that makes Park Hills a great place

to live – the pride that everyone takes in their homes and their community!

First things first – many thanks to Elizabeth Muske and a host of volunteers who organized the Civic Association's first major event of the year – a very successful Easter Egg Hunt! Several young hunters braved the cold, but pretty, day to snatch up some very nice prizes.

Next, very sincere thanks to the many volunteers who have already come forward this year to chair various committees or simply offer "behind the scenes" help and support. So far, there has been a great response to our 2002/2003 theme of "more people involved in more activities". Al Bautista is organizing the first annual Golf Outing; Bill Muske is bringing back the Park Hills Run/Walk; Greg Dimuzio is chairing the often rain soaked Picnic (September 14th), bring a dish and an umbrella, and David Schlothauer is once again chairing the now, "world-famous" Memorial Day Parade (we've lost count as to how many times Dave has organized the Parade – somewhere in excess of 20 years!!)

There are obviously some really tremendous activities underway, but what does that mean to the rest of us? How do we get involved? Two ways:

#1 Participate! Enter a street float or your soccer team in the Memorial Day Parade; students - write a Memorial Day essay; put together a foursome for the Golf Outing; Start training now for the Run/Walk. This is your city - these events are for you! Join in the FUN!

#2 Volunteer to Help! No one person can organize these activities alone. Offer to help in whatever way you can. No amount of help is too little and is always appreciated! How? Simply call me (291-1922), or any other member of the PHCA, and let us know what interests you. See details of all the upcoming events elsewhere in the HUB.

I'm looking forward to seeing all of you at these PHCA events! Have a great Spring and summer!

Greg Johnson



MEMORIAL DAY PARADE GRAND MARSHALL

Submitted by: David Schlothauer

Charles Meyers, Professional Engineer, has been named the Park Hills Civic Association's 2002 Memorial Day Parade Grand Marshall. Charles, a long time resident of Park Hills, has given many volunteer hours and days of time assisting the City with a number of planning and infrastructure issues. He currently assists the City in resolving important zoning and land use issues while on the Board of Adjustments Committee, and he also chairs the Park Hills' Roads Committee assisting the City in the reconstruction and renewal of the City streets.

Throughout his professional life, Charles has consistently assisted the City on a volunteer basis, and through his positions in KYDOT has coordinated many of the important roadway projects in Park Hills. Most recently Charles, as District Engineer, supervised the improvements to Dixie Highway, which provided significant improvements to safety and to the visual impacts of this busy thoroughfare in Park Hills. In his professional career, Charles recently retired from the Kentucky Department of Transportation as District Engineer, the top position for this area. He spent many years planning, designing, and overseeing construction of many of our area's Interstate Highways and State Roads. Please join us at the parade and flag raising ceremonies to give Charles one great big "THANK YOU!!," as he enters yet another fulfilling stage of his life.

2002 MEMORIAL DAY ESSAY CONTEST "Memorial Day 2002: A Time to Remember"

Submitted by: David Schlothauer

The City of Park Hills and the Park Hills Civic Association invites all students of the Ft. Wright School and the St. Agnes School to participate in the 2002 MEMORIAL DAY ESSAY CONTEST. Entries will be judged and two prizes will be awarded. The **First Place Prize** is a check for \$50.00, and the **Runner-up Prize** is a check for \$25.00.



BOTH essay winners will be invited to ride in a convertible in the 2002 Park Hills Memorial Day Parade, and will receive their prizes during the flag raising ceremonies, immediately following the parade. The First Place Winner will be asked to read his or her prize-winning essay at the ceremony.

The theme for the 2002 Essay Contest is: **"Memorial Day, 2002, A Time to Remember..."**

Rules for the essay include:

- *The essay must be 200 words or less*
- *It should be an original composition*
- *The essay must include a title page with the author's name, school, and home telephone number*
- *The author must attend either Ft. Wright or St. Agnes School.*

All essays must be completed and turned into your teacher by Wednesday, May 22nd. Winners will be announced by Friday May 24th. Members of the Park Hills Civic Association will judge the essays and select the winning entries.

For questions related to the contest, call David Schlothauer at 859-491-6051.

PARK HILLS RUN

Submitted by: Bill Muske

Plan now to be a part of the Fall Park Hills Run/Walk to benefit the Children's Home of Northern Kentucky. The run will start and end at the Children's' Home in Devou Park on September 14, the morning of the City Picnic. This promises to be a special event for the Civic Association as we embark on a new approach by helping promote the Children's Home. If anyone is interested in helping out, please call Bill Muske at 291-2992.



CORRECTION: The February '02 issue of the HUB incorrectly identified this spring's election as "not a primary election". In the process of editing, the editor hurriedly and incorrectly interpreted *presidential* instead of *primary*. My apologies to Edythe Nichols who contributed the article.

CITY PICNIC & PIG ROAST

Saturday, September 14 at Trolley Park

Submitted by: Greg Dimuzio



Mark your calendars! The Park Hills annual city picnic is scheduled for **Saturday, September 14th**. It's never too early to plan for fun, so make sure you mark your calendar for the annual year end City Picnic/Pig Roast which will return at summers end to the *soon to be* beautifully landscaped Trolley Park.

The organizers would like to invite each and every Park Hills resident to come join your friends and neighbors to a relaxing day in the park. At this years picnic we want to recognize and celebrate our city's 75th anniversary, along with the 60th anniversary of the Park Hills Volunteer Fire Department. Some of the planned activities include: games and pony rides for the kids, raffles, food contest, and lots of fun!

OLD STATE ROAD Reconstruction Project

Submitted by: Steve Ryan
Park Hills City Council, Infrastructure Committee

The City's road reconstruction project for this year is Old State Road from Terrace to St Agnes. The City will be installing curbs and gutters, stormwater drainage pipes, and a sidewalk, as well as repaving the street. These improvements are part of the City's ongoing street and stormwater improvement program.

Because of the amount of traffic that uses Old State Rd., construction is planned to begin shortly after school is out for the summer and will be substantially complete by September when school begins again. This project will require patience on the part of drivers, as Old State Rd. will be closed. Residents in the construction area will continue to have access to their homes. The Water District is completing its water main extension to Sleepy Hollow Road and Cinergy has begun replacing the gas main along Old State Rd.

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE REPORT



May 2002

Submitted by: Millie Fangman

Sympathy Cards were sent to:

Terry Baute- father	Martha Lockhart- sister
Cecilia Butsch- mother	Rita McAtee- daughter
Don Catchen- mother	Rob McAtee- sister
Ronald Coldiron- sister	Monty O'Hara- father
David Fangman- uncle	Stephens Family- wife and mother
Leonard Fangman- uncle	Harold McKinley- sister
Craig Felmer- grandmother	Karen Murphy- sister
Monica Finke- sister	Sisters of Notre Dame- Sr. Mary Eugenio
Rosemary Fischer- bother	Robert Sanders- uncle
Gary Gabbard- father	Sammy Spears- father
Marian Gasper- husband	Rita Wagner- brother
Nora Gorham- mother	
Ray Knochelmann- brother	

Park Hills Residents who passed:

Roy Devlin	Henrietta Watts
Lucy Roeding	Eugene Whalen

Congratulations to:

Chris and Toni Carle- baby girl

New to Park Hills:

The Shorts on Rosemont

A FRIENDLY REMINDER:

Have You Sent In Your Brick Order Yet?

Submitted by: Millie Fangman
Chairperson, Memorial Brick Committee

Memorial bricks are already being sent to the engravers - so hurry - don't miss out on this. Construction will begin in May on the Gathering Center. As you can see, landscaping has been done with more to come as monies are made available. Other additions such as: a new roof on the bus stop; an informational sign to keep you abreast of upcoming events - one in Trolley Park and one on N Arlington Road; a sidewalk in the park. Call 581-0022 for an order form.

If anyone would like to make donations for these projects, the City and Civic Association would greatly appreciate it. Invest in your city. All these improvements can only show that Park Hills cares and that it is the city in which to live.

EGG-CELLENT!

Submitted by: Elizabeth Muske
2002 Egg-Hunt Chairperson

Saturday, March 23, turned out to be a wonderful day for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt! We were holding our breaths for the weather, and Mother Nature did not disappoint us for the fifth year in a row! Despite the cold temperature, the weather was still sunny, and there were 107 die-hard kids out there scouring the grounds of Rotary Grove for Easter Eggs filled with tattoos, stickers and jelly beans.

Parents and kids kept warm on coffee, and hot chocolate, among other refreshments. The Easter Bunny appeared in grand style escorted on a motorcycle in a side-car and delivered special treats and gifts to all of the attending children. Those who found the nine "special eggs" were given prizes ranging from awesome kites to Easter Baskets with little stuffed critters tucked inside.

The Civic Association was overwhelmed with the amount of volunteer support! Special thanks to the following people who gave of their time and resources behind the scenes and the morning of the event: Lynne Collins, Joe Crowe, Greg and Tammy Dimuzio, Paige and Michael Gramaglia, Natalie Maier, Cathy Matchinga, Krista Morrison, Bill Muske, Diane Nemcroff, Matt Stubbs, and Betsy Weber.

We also want to extend a very special thanks to the younger set who had given up their hunting hats in the past few years, and became excellent egg-hiders: Shannon Brungs, Jill Claypole, Julie Ann Finke, Hillary and Olivia Johnson, Meghan Kruse, and Julia Nemeroff, and Emily Oberjohn. We also want to thank the businesses that generously contributed to our event: Thriftway, Winn Dixie, Fort Wright; Walgreens, Fort Wright; and Krogers, Fort Mitchell.

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CIVIC ASSOCIATION GOLF OUTING

Submitted by: Al Bautista
2002 Civic Assn. Golf Outing Chairperson

When: Sunday, June 23rd at 1pm

Where: Devou Park Golf Course

Cost: \$45 per person which includes greens fee, cart, food, drinks and prizes



Get your neighbors, family and friends signed up for this **4-person** scramble event in a fun, casual atmosphere. The outing is **limited to the first 72 people** to sign up. Submit the signup form with payment for your foursome. We already have 9 foursomes slotted so make your reservation ASAP to ensure that you are included!

REGISTRATION FORM
PARK HILLS' 2002 GOLF OUTING
Sunday, June 23rd at 1:00PM

Names of Foursome:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Name/address of one member of foursome:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Total Cost: \$180 (Make checks payable to Park Hills Civic Association)

Remit forms with payment to:

Al Bautista
614 Irish Rose Lane
Park Hills, KY 41011

For questions, please call Al at 581-5511.

Park Hills Fall HOME & GARDEN TOUR

Submitted by: Kathi Delis

October 5th is the date of the Park Hills Fall Home and Garden Tour. The self-guided tour will run from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. On that day



Park Hills will come alive with fall festivities – carriage rides through the park, a hayride through Park Hill streets, hot cider, good food and fall foliage in addition to the beautiful homes and gardens will make this an event that you don't want to miss.

We will have seven homes total - there are still a couple of openings. If you have any interest in volunteering your home please call Kathi Delis 859-581-8856. We are also looking for people to work the day of the show or to possibly help behind the scenes in the preparation work necessary to have such an exciting event. Please contact Kathi Delis at the above number for questions or to sign up to help.



other news from THE AVANT GARDENERS

Per Kathi Delis' article, it is obvious that we are keeping ourselves busy with the upcoming home tour. In April we attended the bi-annual meeting of the area garden clubs and groups. The gathering was hosted by Ft. Mitchell's garden club at the Ft. Mitchell Baptist Church. At these meetings, each garden club or group shares their activities and ideas.

We met at one of our member's homes in March. A guest speaker from Jackson Florist spoke and demonstrated three flower arrangements. Our April meeting was had at the Cincinnati Civic Garden Center. A delicious dinner meeting at Mecklenberg Gardens followed a tour of the CCGC gardens.

April 1st was our first meeting of the summer for the newly formed Junior Garden Club, the Busy Bees. The children made fairy gardens under the guidance of Heather Schmedicke of the Civic Garden Center. They are planning a butterfly garden for the Trolley Park area and are in need of donated flowers. If you would like to donate any of the following, please contact Stef Feltner at 261-2493: Butterfly Bush (Buddleia), Coneflower, Bee Balm, Black-Eyed Susan, Goldenrod, Abelia.

FLOWER SALE

Submitted by: Mary Jo Mentink



The Avant Gardeners are selling spring and summer flowers at very low prices. If you are interested, please contact Mary Jo Mentink at 292-0208 *after six PM only*. She has an order form with the prices. All orders must be placed by May 20 and the flowers will either be delivered or be available for pick-up from May 27th to May 30th.



BAKE SALE REMINDER

Submitted by: Louise Wells



Don't forget to donate bakery goods for the Park Hills Avant-Gardeners' Annual Bake Sale! Freshly baked (and store bought) goods can be dropped off (and purchased) at Trolley Park beginning at 9:00AM. In addition to baked goods, we will also have hot coffee, tea, lemonade, and bottled water available.

We frequently get requests for recipes so if you make something special, bring the recipe along as well. We will publish it in the next HUB!

One more thing... in respectful observance of the spirit of the holiday, we pause Bake Sale activities during the Memorial Day ceremonies.



POLICE DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES "HOMEBOUND" PROGRAM FOR SENIORS

The Park Hills Police Department is proud to introduce a new program called "Homebound". This program is for those who suffer from memory loss due to Alzheimer's disease or related disorders and is based on "Project Safe Return", which is put out by the Greater Cincinnati Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association. Project Safe Return is the only nationwide system designed to identify, locate and safely return individuals who have become lost due to this disease.

What our program does, is keep everything at a local level while having strong encouragement from the national level as well. We will keep information on file and when we receive a call that one of our members has become lost, we will immediately begin searching for that person without wasting valuable time obtaining information since we will already have it available. We have access to many agencies to assist in returning your loved one, including area police and fire departments, hospitals and media outlets. We will promptly enter that person into the "National Computer Information Center" which is put out nationwide.

We also urge that your loved one join the Alzheimer's Association Project Safe Return Program. This program obtains the same information, but also provides an Identification Bracelet and/or Necklace for a small fee. Financial assistance is available if needed.

We are also updating our Safer Seniors Program. This program has been in existence for several years, but has taken on a more in-depth role. It provides senior citizens with information on crime prevention and awareness, fire safety, health insurance, and retirement. The police department has been receiving information for the past several months from many agencies, including the National Trade Commission, AARP, and The Commonwealth of Kentucky. We have over forty different handouts, brochures and booklets on material pertaining to senior citizens. Our department also offers a courtesy telephone call or visit from an officer. You can let us know if you

would like a call or visit weekly, monthly or just occasionally.

Officer Robert Ford will be heading up these programs. He is a member of the Community Based Ethics Committee Work Group. This group is comprised of employees from the Senior Services of Northern Kentucky, Catholic Social Services, Transcare Paramedic Services, The Northern Kentucky AD District, Kenton Attorney's Office, Campbell County Fiscal Court and several other agencies that assist senior citizens.

The Park Hills Police Department is dedicated to its senior citizens and will do what it can to assist them with their concerns and needs. If you are interested in joining either or both of these programs, or would like more information about them, please call 431-6172 and ask to speak to Officer Robert Ford or Clerk Julie Alig or send an e-mail to: cityofparkhills@fuse.net. There is no cost to you, and all information given will remain totally confidential, so please call today!

FROM THE CITY BUILDING:



2002 Hydrant Testing Scheduled:

As part of the Water District's semi-annual flushing program, we will be testing hydrants in the Park Hills area during the week of June 17th - 21st. You can look in the Enquirer or The Post as the date get closer to see if we are still on schedule for that time. Signs are also posted a day in advance to let you know when we will be working in your area.



Large Item Pick-up day is Saturday, May 18.



Street sweeping is scheduled for Thursday, May 23 - rain date is Friday, May 24. Please make sure your vehicles are kept off the street between the hours of 8:00 am - 4:00 PM.

Animal tags are due for annual renewal on May 1st. Tags cost \$5.00 each.



Building a Castle in Devou Park?

By: Laurie Risch
Executive Director, Behringer-Crawford Museum

That seems to be the question most asked at the Behringer-Crawford Museum lately. No, we answer, we are not building a castle, but a long awaited addition to the museum that houses Northern Kentucky's history!

Currently under construction, the new building will bring much needed space to exhibit, store and interpret our area's heritage. Adding 15,000 square feet to the existing 5000 square feet of the Devou Family home, the museum will become a significant site for protecting our region's treasures. The expansion will include: an archival storage area, so necessary to properly care for the thousands of artifacts currently in our collection; an educational classroom that doubles our ability to offer school, scout, civic and family activities and programs; exhibit galleries displaying the pieces of our past, including the newly restored Kentucky streetcar; a "smart" meeting area with current technology available; new restrooms; an ELEVATOR and EASY access into the building (no more climbing the hill!). The museum is growing to better serve you, our community!

Construction began in April, 2001 and we look forward to opening our doors with new, renovated and interactive exhibits in 2004. Planning is underway with the Murphy-Catton Design team to develop an overall concept or master plan for the exhibits. Visitors will be able to enjoy many of the items now on display but will be surprised to see plenty of new items that have either been tucked in storage or recently donated.

Total cost for this exciting project is \$2.6 million dollars. The Board of Trustees have raised approximated \$1.5 million (including endowment funds) so far and welcomes new gifts to ensure the success of this endeavor. For more information, please call the museum at 491-4003.

HUB DEADLINE: Articles for the *September* issue of the HUB are due *August 19th*. Articles must be submitted electronically via e-mail (preferred) to niemer@fuse.net or disk (MS-Word compatible).

PARK HILLS' 2002 MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

Monday, May 27th at 11:30 AM

Flag Raising Ceremonies at the corner of
Amsterdam Road and Park Drive

To Enter the Parade, call David Schlothauer
at 491-6051. All entries welcome!!



ODD JOBS?



The following individuals have submitted their names to the Civic Association's "Odd Jobs" program. They may be available to help if you are ever in need of a babysitter, or occasional help around the house such as raking, grass cutting, weeding, watering, walking the dog, snow shoveling, babysitting, car washing, or *whatever!*



NAME:

PHONE:

Julia Bayer (11 yrs.), Audubon Rd.
(dog walking, babysitting)

431-7699

Joe Bayer (14 yrs.), Audubon Rd.
(lawn mowing, snow shoveling, yardwork,
babysitting)

431-7699

Joseph Frankl (12 yrs.), Montague Rd.
(lawn mowing, dog walking, snow shoveling, taking
care of plants & animals during vacation, raking
leaves)

491-6091

Mandy Jacobs (14 yrs.), Amsterdam Rd.
(babysitting, dog walking, pet care and sitting)

431-6458



Parents must give their written consent for children under 18 years of age to partake in the program. If your young person is interested in the Odd Jobs program, please call Louise Wells at 859-491-5009 for more information.

