



THE HUB

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MEMORIAL DAY

Another Challenge...

Hello Park Hills:

I hope everyone is enjoying this first blast of warm spring weather. This is truly one of my favorite times of the year in our City. And it always leads up to one of my very favorite events of the year...the annual Memorial Day Parade!

Mr. David Schlothauer has done an unbelievable job of organizing the best parade in the entire Midwest for the last 25+ years. However, there is one thing that I've noticed every year that can be improved. And it isn't something David can do. It's entirely up to you! What has struck me each Memorial Day is this: We don't have enough parade entries by Park Hills' residents, which leads me to the next challenge: My vision is to see every street in our city represented in some manner in the Parade!

I'm not suggesting that you start building elaborate floats in October or spend thousands of dollars on "float consultants" and supplies. I'm simply encouraging you to decorate a pick-up truck and cram as many people from your street in the back (within the legal limits), or enter a "lawn mower brigade" or have your children's sports team march in the Parade (especially if they want to display banners, trophies, or championship rings from the prior year). It's even an opportunity to proudly promote your company or business (just slap your company name on a car or truck and get free advertising). Create some competition among your neighboring streets; challenge each other in a float

competition. The Civic Association will be judging all entries and awarding great prizes. There is even talk of resurrecting the "traveling plaque", honoring the winning street float. Just imagine your street listed in big bold letters on this plaque that you can proudly display at the Park Hills Picnic, the Tree Lighting Ceremony and all other city events.

All of you rose to the challenge last year for our Christmas Decorating Contest. Let's see how creative you can get for the Parade. I look forward to seeing all of you at...I mean...IN the Memorial Day Parade!

Greg Johnson

Park Hills Civic Association President



2004 PARK HILLS' MEMORIAL DAY PARADE & FLAG RAISING CEREMONIES

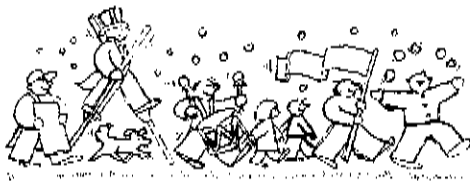
MONDAY, MAY 31, 2004

Time and Place: Monday, May 31st, 2004 at 11:30 AM marks the date and start time of the annual 2003 Park Hills Memorial Day Parade. The City of Park Hills and the Park Hills Civic Association sponsor our annual Parade and Flag Raising Ceremony. The theme for the parade and flag raising ceremony this year is: "Memorial Day 2004: What It Means To Me."

Parade Lineup and Assistance: The Parade forms at 10:30am, off Dixie Highway in Park Hills at the Covington Campus of Northern Kentucky University. (Some of you will remember it as the Chase Law School Campus.) Similar to the parade lineup over the last several years, there will be a number of Parade Officials to assist you in finding your lineup number and parade location. The Parade Officials are located at the top of the hill at the entrance to the University/School parking lot. Please use the road to the University off Dixie Highway. *Please do not use Mt. Allan Road, as it creates a traffic tie-up in the parking lot.*

Parade Route and Entries: The Parade starts promptly at 11:30am, and follows Mt. Allan to South Arlington, to Dixie Highway, to St. James, to Old State Road, to Terrace, to Amsterdam Road, to Rose Circle, and concludes at Park Drive. Parade entries include our elected City, County, and State officials, floats, convertibles, military vehicles and personnel, antique cars, The Dixie High School Marching Colonels, Jack Shoemaker's Stationary Marching Band, community groups, horses, school youth and sport groups, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Cubs Scouts and Brownies, local music groups, gymnastic clubs, and lots of neighborhood entries.

Flag Raising Ceremony: At the conclusion of the parade, a flag raising ceremony will be conducted at Trolley Park at the intersection of Amsterdam Road and Park Drive. The podium for the Flag Raising Ceremonies will be located next to the new Trolley Park area improved and landscaped by the Garden Club and the Civic Association. State Representatives Jon Draud and Arnold Simpson will present a flag that has flown over our nation's capitol to the City. 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 Ralph Drees has been invited to lead the ceremonies with the Pledge of Allegiance.



ANNUAL ESSAY CONTEST

The flag raising ceremonies include a presentation to the winners of the 2004 Memorial Day essay contest, pitting the best of the best from Ft. Wright Grade School and St. Agnes School. The 2004 Essay Theme is "Memorial Day - 2004: What It Means To Me." A \$50 first prize is awarded to the first place 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 Memorial Day Parade in a convertible. The first place prizewinner will read his/her essay at the flag raising ceremonies.

As an example of the quality of essays received in the competition, the essay reprinted below is a 2003 essay, submitted by Holly Claypole.

LET FREEDOM RING

By Holly Claypole, Ft. Wright Elementary

Freedom...Not being a slave nor prisoner, personal liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Is freedom what its cracked up to be? Do we let freedom ring? These are the questions I ask myself everyday.

With freedom we have lots of rights and responsibilities. Some of our rights are:

- *freedom of speech
- *freedom of religion
- *freedom of the press.

We are guaranteed these in the Bill of Rights. Some of our responsibilities are voting, going to school, and being a good citizen. Going to school is important, because you want to get a good education so you can be better citizen. In school we learn about our country, and its history. We also learn why we have freedom and how we got it.

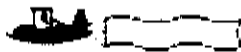
Ring...A circle made of metal worn on a finger. I think this kind of ring could be the ring that holds all of our rights and responsibilities together. Ring...To sound aloud and clearly. We want everybody to have and hear freedom so we want it to sound out loud and clear!!!!

Are we letting freedom ring? I think we are doing a pretty good job of it! Memorial Day is a special day to remember all those who fought to let our freedom ring!!

GOD BLESS AMERICA!

All definitions found in Webster's New Dictionary

2004 Parade Grand Marshals: THE WHOLE STAMM FAMILY



For many years, Tom, Leo, and Ron Stamm have been important members of the Park Hills Business Association. It's been a family affair. Ft. Mitchell Garage celebrated its 100th Anniversary in 2000. Starting from a Blacksmith Shop in 1900, Ft. Mitchell garage has seen monumental change, and through the years has followed a single vision: "As long as wheels are turning, there's going to be accidents, and Ft. Mitchell Garage will be there to fix them."

The Stamms, owners and operators of the fourth generation Ft. Mitchell Garage at 1420 Dixie Highway, Park Hills, also play key roles in developing and improving the 'look' of Dixie Highway. The clean up, renovation and beautification of Dixie Highway is not without a champion. It has taken years of encouragement, persuasion, and often arm-twisting, but their efforts through both the Park Hills Business Association and their own business have paid off.

To commemorate the 100th Anniversary, the Stamms completed an expansion and renovation to their building. And what a great project it turned out to be: New environmentally compatible paint room; additional mechanic's stalls; new office area; and a new front façade for the complete building created a look to be proud of and one that motivated other businesses to follow suit, and to spruce up the Dixie Highway. And their efforts didn't stop there. Working with the Park Hills Garden Club, neighbors, and other businesses, the Stamms were instrumental (time and money) in re-designing the intersection of Arlington and Dixie Highway, all in the interest of upgrading Park Hills' business district. The popular sign on Dixie Highway, 'If you lived in Park Hills, you'd be home now' takes on added meaning with these efforts. The intersection improvements are beautiful.

Notwithstanding their contributions to the business district, the Stamms have been stalwart participants in the Park Hills Memorial Day Parades. For many years they have entered their restored Mustangs and Wrecker (Tow Truck) in the parade. In the early 90's, they decided the parade needed more music. So from scratch, the Stamms built two trailers towed by their Mustangs that play amplified parade music

while the Stamms often chauffeured our local elected officials and their families. J. P. Sousa would be proud.

Please join us on Memorial Day and say 'Thank You' Stamms. They have been with the City through rain and shine (figuratively and literally). Thank you Ron, Tom, and Leo.

Monday, May 31, 2004, 11:30 AM
Park Hills, Kentucky

**Flag Raising Ceremonies at Trolley Park, corner of
Amsterdam Road and Park Drive**

**To Enter the Parade, call David Schlothauer
at 491-6051**

All entries welcome!!

Free Hot Dogs & Cokes!

Compliments of: McHALE'S CATERING

To celebrate this year's Memorial Day Parade, a new Park Hills business "The Gardens of Park Hills" by McHale's Catering and Event Specialist plans an open house.

McHales invites all parade spectators to view the parade on Dixie Highway and to stop by their newest banquet facility for a free hot dog and coke. Formerly the Wood Bros./Town and



Country, McHales completely renovated the facility, changing the old restaurant into a beautiful 350 person banquet room with a Tuscan theme and renovating the old banquet room into a newly decorated room with a more open and brighter environment. This location has a lot of sentiment and history for all of Park Hills' residents. Let's all stop by and welcome McHale's Catering, have a hot dog and coke, watch the parade, and then take a tour of their new facilities!



*Hot dogs
soft drinks*

2004 Memorial Day Parade Participants

Dixie HS Marching Band: The 2004 award winning Dixie Heights Marching Colonels, under the direction of Rob Duddey; will march in the Memorial Day Parade again this year. With over 100 members, including Drum Majors, Flags, and band members, the Marching Colonels bring the true spirit of John Philip Sousa's music to the parade. Come and join us on Dixie Highway, or at the corner of Park Drive and Amsterdam in Park Hills to enjoy the music. Let's support our high school students!!

Kenton County Library: Look for the Kenton County Library in the parade this year. They will also have a display at the gathering center close to the flag raising ceremonies. They will have on hand library and Memorial Day materials.

2004 Easter Egg Hunt a Sunny Success!

Submitted by Elizabeth Muske



Every year, egg hunt morning seems to require an exercise in faith on both the volunteers and the parents who dress their kids for the event. The weather is always in question the week prior to the event, and we hold our breaths for at least the smallest assurance that there won't be rain. Alas, it was an exceptional year of Mother Nature teasing us down to the last hours prior to the hunt, and blasting us with wonderfully, crisp spring air as the clock ticked toward show time.

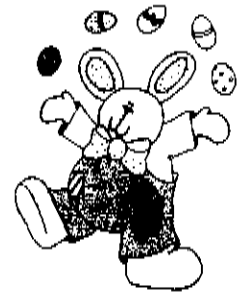
About one hundred kids and their parents made it out for the chance to hunt for magic in the grasses and the tree stumps of the Rotary Grove in Devou Park. Just when it seemed the land had been thoroughly raked of the goodies, the Easter Bunny made a special appearance and gave a small gift and treats to each child attending. She stuck around for quite awhile to give all of the children a chance to have a picture with her too!

There were twelve special eggs hidden *quite* well; it seems there is still an unclaimed egg somewhere up there. But the eleven special egg finders were as follows: Maggie Nowland, McKenzie Burns, Brock Anderson, Tyler Bauereis, Joe DiMuzio, Isaac Oelling, Anna Matchinga, Dylan Mason, Daniel Lee, Carolyn Collins and Caroline Muske.

As much fun as it is to hunt for eggs, it seems that the kids who are too old to hunt have found *hiding* them is a real kick for the different perspective it offers. Our hiders were: John Bayer, Peter Craig, Katie DiMuzio, Maggie O'hara, Danielle Anderson, and Gabrielle Schulte.

Thanks to all of our volunteers: Shannon Brungs, Bob Brungs, Lynn Collins, Greg Dahlenburg, Rhonda Hampton, Johnathan Hampton, Greg DiMuzio, Elizabeth and Bill Muske, Natalie and Chris Maier, Ann O'hara, Mary Jo Mentink, and Stephanic Laurie.

We also want to thank Ernie Ciambarella of Krogers, Fort Mitchell, for donating the cookies, and to Laszlo Pavel and the Ft. Wright Walgreens for supplying the jellybeans.



Remember, it's never too early to start hoping and praying for sunny weather for next year's hunt!

Garden Club Bake Sale:



The Park Hills Avant Gardeners will sponsor their annual Memorial Day bake sale prior to the parade at the corner of Amsterdam and Park Drive. Please help by donating (and purchasing) baked goods and other treats for sale. Bring donations between 9-10 AM on the day of the parade. The proceeds support planting projects throughout Park Hills.





news from the AVANT GARDENERS

Submitted by Carol Bethel

On Wednesday, April 14, the Park Hills Avant-Gardeners attended the Northern Kentucky Garden Club Association Semi-Annual Meeting. The speakers for this event were from the Log Cabin Herb Society in Owensville, Ohio. We learned about herbs used for medicinal or culinary purposes. Did you know: lemon balm repels mosquitoes? That some herbs can be used in place of chemicals to kill fleas on your pet? That herbs that go to seed have a more tart flavor? The evening was also a social time for gardeners in Northern Kentucky to catch up and announce upcoming events. (See below)

On Memorial Day, the Avant Gardeners will sponsor a bake sale before and after the parade on May 31. The proceeds will go towards the many projects sponsored by the garden club. Be sure to bring your best and most delicious goodies and pick up a plate or two made by other residents. We will also be providing coffee, water, and lemonade. Baked goods may be dropped off at Trolley Park beginning at 9:00 a.m. The garden club is looking for volunteers to work the bake sale for one or two-hour shifts. For further information, contact Carol Bethel on 292-0317 or Louise Wells on 491-5009.

AVANT GARDENERS UPCOMING EVENTS:

Saturday, May 15: Distribution of annuals and perennials for common areas

Tuesday, May 18: Meeting topic: Make your own Topiaries, 7 pm at Park Hills School (*you must RSVP—there will be a nominal fee for supplies*)

Monday, May 31: Memorial Day bake sale

Tuesday, June 15: Meeting, Topic to be announced

OTHER AREA GARDENING EVENTS:

Saturday, May 15: Log Cabin Herb Society Spring Event

Saturday, May 15: Boone County Arboretum Spring Fling and Plant Sale

The Park Hills Avant-Gardeners is open to all residents of Park Hills. Please join us for the many social activities and projects to beautify our city. If you have any questions or to register, call Carol Bethel on 292-0317.

BUSY BEES

Submitted by Stefanie Feltner

Busy Bee's, have you heard the Buzz? Summer is coming. It's time to get together and have some fun! The junior gardener's will be cleaning up and maintaining our butterfly garden in Trolley Park. In May, June and July we will be visiting the Baker-Hunt Foundation in Covington to participate in the WORM program newly initiated by master gardener Bud Thurman. The busy bees will take classes for a prorated amount of \$10.00 for three Saturdays. Starting on May 15th from 12:30–2:00 p.m., interested children in grades K–5th will learn about Cicadas and do a fun project! Other meetings with subjects to be announced will take place monthly in June and July also. Contact Baker Hunt at 431-0020 to reserve your spot. Make sure and mention you are part of the Busy Bees to get the special rate.



In August we will have a picnic in Trolley Park to enjoy the fruits of our labor. We welcome the children of Park Hills to join our budding group. For more information on the Busy Bee's please contact Stefanie Feltner at 261-2493. See you at Trolley Park!

Park Hills Student

Places 1st in Kentucky in National Peace Essay Contest

Angie Ellison, junior at Notre Dame Academy, resident of Park Hills, was recently selected as a first place, state-level winner in the National Peace Essay contest sponsored by the United States Institute of Peace. She will receive a \$1,000 college scholarship. She has also been invited to attend the National Peace Essay Contest Awards Program in Washington, D.C. as a guest of the Institute. She will be involved in a challenging role-playing simulation dealing with post-conflict reconstruction in Sudan, meetings with distinguished individuals and public officials, sightseeing opportunities, and an awards banquet where the entire group of state winners are honored and the national winners will be announced. **Congratulations Angie!**

VISION 2006

Submitted by Helen Heil



May is beautification month in our city. Park Hills Vision 2006 committee comprised of representatives of Civic Association, the Park Hills Business Association, Avant Gardeners, Tree Board, City Council and Mayor urges residents to enjoy and plant the flowers.

Our spring display of crocus, pansies, daffodils, hyacinths, muscari, tulips and giant alliums bulbs has been spectacular and in more areas than last year with the addition of the three new stone planters. This year city provided for the clean up and mulching of the larger planting areas in the city- a great relief to volunteers who had to drag and spread heavy, wet bags of mulch last spring.

A thank you to Charlie Alwell, Greg Claypole, Neil Frankl, Joe Isler, and Greg DiMuzio who cleaned up the area in front of the wall behind the Dixie Highway and Arlington Road (east side) planter. Student volunteers from Notre Dame Academy will design and paint a mural on the wall.

Another thank you to The Park Hills Business Association. They have adopted the business (west) side of Dixie Highway to clean up and make more attractive. In mid-April they removed debris, cut down weeds and brush, and installed an new larger stone planter in front of their "If you lived in Park Hills, you would be home now" sign. They plan to create a stepping stone walkway for pedestrians crossing the highway whom new have to avoid the deep drainage ditch. Great job to all who donated their Saturday time to make our city more attractive.

The volunteers who have adopted the 27 designated city owned planting areas met April 24 for a "Pre planting in the Park Party. Thanks to all that attended and shared plans for the summer flowers and helped divide perennials. Look for a more exotic color theme throughout the city this summer. In addition, the lower end of the Trolley Park will be

the home of Park Hills first Cana House for kids of all ages. Adult volunteers will assist the Busy Bees in the design and planting of this new attraction. Our Cannas - tall tropical red and yellow plants you saw in the area of the gathering center benches and on the mounds multiplied so we thought it would be fun to use some of them in a different manner this year.

Saturday May 15 from 10 a.m. To 12 noon volunteers will meet in Trolley Park to pick up annuals to be planted prior to the Memorial Day Parade. We're hoping Mother Nature lets up on the rain that day to make things easier than last year.

Its time for us to spruce up own yards, plant a few more flowers, take a walk or ride throughout the city and admire the beauty of spring in Park Hills. CINERGY workers, TANK and school bus drivers, and folks from neighboring cities all tell us that our seasonal floral displays are the best in Northern Kentucky.

See you at the Memorial Day parade. Please stop at the Avant Gardeners bake sale and make a purchase. Your money goes back into the beautification of our city.

3RD ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Submitted by Al Bautista

When: Sunday, June 27, 2004

Where: Devou Park Golf Course

Cost: \$50 per person; includes greens fee, cart, food, drinks and prizes.

Mark your calendars one and all! The 3rd Annual golf outing is ready for booking! We're including a little more of a family focus this year with prizes included for the younger "Tiger Woods" and "Michelle Weis" out there too. So get your neighbors, family and friends signed up for this very fun 4-person scramble event. It might even make the perfect Dad's day gift. It's fun, it's casual, and it's **limited to the first 72 people to sign up!** Call Al Bautista for details at 581-5511



Membership Renewal

Submitted by Neil Frankl

Hello neighbors! Spring is now here, and you will soon see some of our membership dollars at work as volunteers spruce up the many planters throughout our community. As we plan for the 2004-2005 membership drive, we thought this would be a good time to remind you that **Sunday, July 11th** will be the official "door-to-door" campaign for the renewal of membership to the Park Hills Civic Association. We want to keep this day important for this purpose. Hopefully your street chairperson will see you that day as he/she stops by. If not, they will leave you an envelope to send your dues in or to drop by the city building. Another way to join for 2004-2005 is to mail in the form in this edition of the Hub - it's never too early!



Dues are still \$15 for a family/\$10 for an individual/\$5 for each senior citizen

The funds from our membership dues go to:

- * Financing the publication of the HUB (Park Hills quarterly newsletter).
- * Funding purchases (flowers, mulch, etc) for the projects and planters throughout the City.
- * Providing for the maintenance and upkeep of Trolley Park.
- * Funding the many events organized and put on by the Civic Association (Easter egg hunt, Memorial Day parade, golf outing, picnic, Christmas party and tree lighting).

Considering the price for a couple to go to the movies today (without popcorn!), our dues are a bargain. We have a wonderful "community" reputation in Northern Kentucky, lets keep it up - please join this year!

PS: We need Street Chair people for parts of the following streets:

<i>Amsterdam</i>	<i>(1000-1038)</i>
<i>Amsterdam</i>	<i>(1303-1335)</i>
<i>Arlington</i>	<i>(801-827)</i>
<i>Dixie Highway</i>	
<i>Emerson</i>	<i>(1035-1069)</i>
<i>Old State</i>	<i>(1302-1328)</i>
<i>Sleepy Hollow</i>	

Any and all volunteers please call Neil Frankl @ 491-6091 - thanks!

2004/2005 Civic Association Membership Drive

If you have not already joined or renewed your membership in the Park Hills Civic Association, use this form. Dues for 2003/2004 are \$15 per family, \$10 for a single membership, and \$5 for a senior membership.

In addition to joining the Civic association, please indicate any of the activities below that you are interested in, or would be willing to volunteer to help in some capacity.

CIVIC ASSOCIATION

- Serve on board
- Serve as street chair

FAMILY PICNIC

- Serve as chair/co-chair
- Help set-up/clean-up
- Work a booth

EASTER EGG HUNT

- Serve as chair/co-chair
- Serve on committee

CHRISTMAS PARTY

- Serve as chair/co-chair
- Serve on committee

DINNER DANCE

- Serve as chair/co-chair
- Serve on committee
- Decorate/clean-up

LUMINARY NIGHT

- Serve as chair/co-chair
- Help with sales/deliv.

MEMORIAL DAY PARADE

- Serve on committee
- Help organize/clean-up
- Help with bake sale

HOSPITALITY COMM.

- Serve as chair/co-chair
- Contact new residents
- Visit new residents

BEAUTIFICATION COMM.

- Serve a chair/co-chair
- Help maint. plantings
- Help with Xmas décor

GARDEN CLUB

- Become a member
- Help with home tours
- Help with bake sale

HUB PRODUCTION

- Serve as chair/co-chair
- Contribute articles
- Help with mailing
- Serve as editor

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ [] unlisted

EMAIL: _____

Level of membership:

- Family (\$15)
- Single (\$10)
- Senior (\$5)

ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTION: \$ _____

Make check payable to:

"The Park Hills Civic Association"

Remit this form along with payment to:

Park Hills Civic Association
1106 Amsterdam Road
Park Hills, KY 41011
Attn: Millie Fangman

Park Hills Honor Roll

Submitted by Elizabeth Muske & Greg Claypole

Congratulations the following students on their hard work during third quarter!

COVINGTON CATHOLIC:

First Honors:

*Joseph M. Bayer
Matthew A. Mikhail
Ross E. Votel*

Second Honors:

*Jonathan P. Collett
Charles W. Clenney
Scott A. Kaelin
Bogdan K. Sippel
Brennan P. Votel*

COVINGTON LATIN:

First Honors:

Eliza Redwine

Second Honors:

Lily Soderlund

DIXIE HEIGHTS HIGH SCHOOL:

Dean's List:

*Amanda Beers
Jill Claypole
Grace Dwertman
Sarah Jones
Joseph Raines
Anthony Treller
Mareike Weiffenbach*

Honor Roll:

*Susannah Carmack
Justin Clemons
James Mayer
Mark Moore
Benjamin Raines
Hanna Windhorn
John Windhorn*

NOTRE DAME ACADEMY:

First Honors:

*Kathleen Albers
Angie Ellison
Lara Greife
Lara Hebbeler
Leslie King
Julia Oberjohn
Shannon Turney
Danielle Wachs*

Second Honors:

*Nicole Dickman
Hillary Johnson
Olivia Johnson
Colleen O'Connor
Courtney Sorrell
Katie Stutler
Erica Wagner
Remi Walz*

TURKEYFOOT MIDDLE SCHOOL:

*Scott Alan Audas
Kevin Franklin Beers
Ashely Briggs
Brandon Lee Catchen
Holly Marie Claypole
Desha Elliott
Alexander Estes
Joseph Frankl*

*Michael Godawa
Zachary Lail
Natalie McGregor
Ross Nowland
Devon Riddle
Thomas Ross
Wesley Smith
Maxwell Valladares*



Greg Claypole wishes to apologize for the omission of Ross Nowland's name for first honors during the second quarter. We are currently not reporting honor roll for grade schools. If you would be interested in coordinating this detail, call Elizabeth Muske at 291-2992.



LOCATION LOCATION LOCATION

Submitted by Jacquie Bauereis

They say in real estate that the three most important features for homebuyers are location, location and location. The same saying can be said for apartment renters. Fortunately, for renters in Park Hills, we can add some additional features: quiet streets, great neighbors, old beautiful trees and lots of charm. Many of the apartment buildings in Park Hills look like single-family homes. Often, neighbors don't even know it is an apartment until an "Apartment for Rent" sign appears in the yard.

In researching for this article, I was surprised to discover how many two or four family apartments are in the city. Of the 36 streets in the city, 23 have at least one two family. Most have two or more. Armed with this information, I set out to drive through the city and look for the two families. It was a harder task than I expected. Most of the homes have a single entrance or both entrances are visually friendly. They are tucked neatly between single-family structures and blend in to the neighborhood. Owners state that the character of the homes helps attract renters who go above and beyond in caring for the homes. They are often seen planting extra flowers, trimming weeds and decorating the homes for seasonal events. We have many lifetime renters in the city and I know of one property that is almost willed to other renters. In most cases, the apartment becomes available and is quickly rented to an acquaintance that also fell in love with the home through visits.

The quiet appeal of our city and all its charm is definitely a draw to tenants. Many pilots from airlines and nurses and doctors from the local hospitals like the convenience to their work and the relaxation they enjoy upon arrival home from work. Several city homeowners were originally renters and then purchased a home nearby when it became available.

The next time you drive through the city, take a few minutes and try to locate the two family homes. Let yourself enjoy the view of the homes and appreciate the city for all it has to offer!

(Jacquie Bauereis and her family live on Emerson Road.)

ODD JOBS



The following Park Hills youngsters have submitted their names to the Civic Associations 'Odd Jobs' program. They may be available to help if you are ever in need of a babysitter, seasonal help around the house or garden, or pet care.

<u>STREET</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>PHONE</u>
Amsterdam	Mandy Jacobs (16 yrs.) (babysitting, dog walking, pet care & pet sitting)	431-6458
Audubon	Julia Bayer (13 yrs.) (dog walking, babysitting)	431-7699
Audubon	Joe Bayer (16 yrs.) (lawn mowing - snow shoveling, yardwork, babysitting)	431-7699
Cleveland	Nathan Glockner (13 yrs.) (grass cutting, dog walking & sitting, other light jobs)	581-8150
Montague	Joseph Frankl (15 yrs.) (lawn mowing, dog walking, snow shoveling, raking leaves, taking care of plants & animals during vacation)	491-6091
Rosemont	Landan Hoffman (14 yrs.)	
S.Arlington	Nick Otinno (14 yrs.) (yard work, chores, just about anything - very diverse)	581-9534

Odd Jobs is for children under 18 years of age. Parents must give their consent for their son/daughter to partake. If your youngster is interested in the Odd Job program, please call Louise Wells at 491-5009.



PARK HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Submitted by Rob Dreyer

The City of Park Hills Fire Dept. is in desperate need of active volunteers to man the fire apparatus and the life squad around the clock. Training is provided, free of cost by the City. If you or anyone you know are interested in becoming a volunteer, please call the City building on weekdays from 8:30-4:30p.m. at 431-6252 or Rob Dreyer at 760-6699

SUMMER SAFETY TIPS

Submitted by Louise Wells

As yard and lawn work gear-up, and more time is being spent outdoors, here are a few suggestions for ensuring a safe summer.

Electrical Equipment:

- * Use 3-prong outlets and plugs
- * Use GFCI (ground fault circuit interrupter) outlets
- * Don't use electrical equipment in the rain or wet areas

Lawn Mowers:

- * Wear safety glasses or goggles
- * Always wear shoes - hard leather or steel-toed are best
- * Don't mow wet grass - it is too easy to slip
- * Don't mow around people or pets - they may be struck by flying debris from the mower

Mosquitoes:

- * Discard any standing water that could harbor mosquito larvae - empty plant saucers, etc.
- * If you do have standing water, use mosquito dunks - these contain a bacillus that is harmless to pets and wildlife
- * Use repellent - products with DEET are reported to work best (no stronger than 30% in children, and do not use on young infants)
- * I've been told that you can put some water in a



white dinner plate and add a couple drops of Lemon Fresh Joy dish detergent. Place the dish in an outdoor area. Mosquitoes flock to it and drop dead after drinking the mixture - usually within 10 fl. of the plate.

DEADLINE

Articles for the Fall issue of the HUB are due August 6th. This will allow the HUB to drop in mailboxes around August 30th.

Articles must be submitted electronically via e-mail (preferred) to Elizabeth Muske (bmuske@msn.com) or via MS-Word compatible disk.

It's time to get outdoors... Let's go decking!

Submitted by Doug Bauereis

If you don't already have a deck you will soon wish that you did. This is probably one of the favorite times of the year to entertain outdoors. There are several different types of decking available these days.

The standard decking material is pressure treated lumber. It has been used for many years, however, it shows age and has to be cleaned and sealed every year or two to maintain its original beauty. These decking materials can be stained to coordinate with the exterior of your home if you desire.

There are also several new options available these days. One option is a popular one it is a composite material made of resin and sawdust. You can purchase decking floor boards and railing to match. The best thing about this material is that it is virtually maintenance free. You can find it in several different colors so pick the one that goes best with your exterior color scheme. The downside of this material is that it cost several times as much as lumber, but it should last forever.

There are also many different types of railings available for your deck. If you do not wish to have a standard railing you can develop a one of a kind railing by working with your installer to come up with a special design. You can use wrought iron or several other materials mixed together with pressure treated lumber to come up with a unique look.

Another option in decking is the use of lighting. There are many different types of lighting from lights that mount on top of posts to lights that mount in the stair area. The stair lights are a great way to brighten your path for a much safer evening walk. You may also wish to add lighting or speakers to the exterior of your home above your beautiful new deck. The speakers may help to drown out the cicadas this summer. Or scare them off depending on what type of music you listen to.

Happy decking!

P.S. I believe it is legal to grill cicadas on your new deck grill. I'm sure there are some fine recipes available. Maybe a little Montgomery Inn barbeque sauce would be nice. I love grilling, don't you?

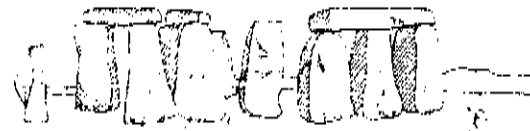
Enjoy! Crunch! Crunch!
Munch! Try the hot wings, thems goood!



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- Mon., May 31st** Memorial Day Parade
Avant Gardeners Bake Sale
- June 27th** Park Hills Golf Outing
- July 11th** Membership Drive
- September 11th** Park Hills Picnic
- December 12th** Luminary Night



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