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# The Herald

### **Here Are the Answers**

On November 6, Blendon Township residents will vote on two separate issues—Issue 35 (Home Rule) and Issue 36 (Joint Economic Development Zone). We asked Blendon Township Board of Trustees Chairman and HRAA Immediate Past President James Welch to answer some questions about the JEDZ (Issue 36). Here is what he had to say:

### How many businesses in Huber Ridge will be affected by JEDZ? How is a "business" defined?

There are close to 120 businesses in Blendon Township that were included in the JEDZ area. Businesses which are zoned for commercial use and do not have anyone living at the business were included in JEDZ. The only businesses in Huber Ridge are the churches and the Glengary Center.

When will businesses be notified by the Township that they are affected by JEDZ income taxes? In the coming weeks, a great deal of information will be distributed to both businesses and residents educating them about the issues on the ballot. If the JEDZ passes, businesses will be receiving letters from the City of Westerville and Blendon Township with more detailed information.

How much income tax will Blendon Township residents who live and work in Blendon Township have to pay? All workers in Blendon Township, including the Board of Trustees and Township staff, will be taxed at the City of Westerville tax rate of 2 percent.

### Will landlords who own property in Blendon Township have to pay the JEDZ income tax? $\operatorname{Only}$

businesses operating in Blendon Township can be included in the JEDZ. Rental properties do not fall under the guidelines because they are zoned residential, not commercial.

What is the first project that is likely to be undertaken using local income tax dollars generated by the passage of JEDZ? Is there a list of specific projects that will be undertaken with JEDZ revenue? What are some of these projects? Will the projects be located primarily in the areas where the JEDZ revenue comes from? The

immediate plans are to continue the level of services Blendon "Answers" continued on page 2



The HRAA Halloween Event at Ridgewood Park has become one of the most popular neighborhood traditions enjoyed by residents each year. Plans are well under way to bring another year of terrific family fun for young and old alike. This year's festivities are scheduled for Saturday, October 27, from 6 to 8 p.m. in Ridgewood Park.

You can once again expect some of the time-honored activities that have proven to be favorites with ghosts, goblins, princesses, and an assortment of characters who come to this annual event to have a great time. Such activities will include:

- Haunted woods
- ★ Games
- ★ Trick-or-treat street
- **a** Bonfire with s'mores
- Raffle R

With the increase in attendance this event experienced last year, we are expecting that number again this year or maybe more. Attendance increased by approximately 25 percent to 440, who came through our registration.

We strive to make this event cost neutral to the Association even though we do not charge admission. Of course, the food and supplies come at a cost; so donations

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Township residents have become accustomed to, to catch up on projects delayed by the economic setbacks, and to address the aging roads. The first year of collections will allow us to create plans and engineering drawings for many projects including park enhancements and grant programs that could be implemented in 2014.

When will this revenue be available to Blendon Township if Issue 36 passes on November 6, 2012? If Issue 36 passes, the income taxes will begin to be collected starting January 1, 2013. Blendon Township will start receiving quarterly payments beginning in March 2013. The payments in the first year will allow us to realize the amount of revenue we will be collecting in future years.

How much JEDZ income tax would come to Blendon Township, and how much would go to the City of Westerville (for collecting the tax)? The

JEDZ is projected to generate around \$2 million every year. Blendon Township would receive approximately 75 percent of the total revenue. The City of Westerville will be providing their economic development team to the Board of Trustees to help future re-development of Blendon Township. They will also help promote Blendon Township to help obtain new businesses in the area.

In the Citizens for a Better Blendon flyer (a paid advertisement inserted in this issue of The Herald), it is stated: "Each year, MILLIONS OF TAX DOLLARS are generated by workers in Blendon Township." Can a more precise figure be given for these tax dollars? There are no compiled records of wages of workers in Blendon Township. Our figures are an estimate based upon MORPC, the Census Bureau, and the City of Westerville. The anticipated amount of money the JEDZ will generate is the estimated same amount of money being lost to other communities. We will simply re-direct that money back to Blendon Township.

What are the duties of the JEDZ Board? What authority does it have? Once Issue 36 is approved by Blendon Township voters, the JEDZ Board will be responsible for passing the resolutions for the JEDZ income tax and approving contracts with the City of Westerville for tax collection. Once the JEDZ Board gets the initial resolution passed, it will meet on a regular basis to pay bills that the JEDZ Board may have incurred. The JEDZ Board will be responsible for determining if any parcels should be removed from the JEDZ or if any need to go back to the ballot to be added to the area.

### What would happen if the JEDZ doesn't pass?

If the JEDZ does not pass, the Board of Trustees will have to look at the possibility of asking residents to increase their property taxes by future levies. The Township will also need to look at cutting back services in order to offset lost revenue specifically from the local government fund from the state. Not only would the JEDZ generate money to offset the lost revenue from the state, but also it would allow us to fund a variety of projects and enhance Blendon services.

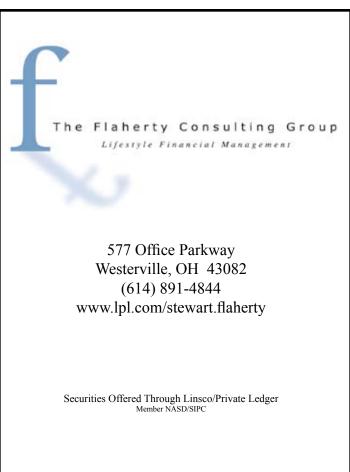
### Why did you choose the City of Westerville, and what makes these agreements unique?

The City of Westerville has been a long-time partner with Blendon Township. We share fire services and already have a great partnership with its administration. The Board of Trustees and Westerville staff desire to show the rest of the state of Ohio how local governments can work together for a common goal of providing the best services to a large area of citizens and minimizing costs. The Community Economic Development Agreement (CEDA) which is tied to the JEDZ is a history-making contract. In the agreement, Blendon Township and Westerville agree not to take business from each other. In the event a business desires to move out of

Blendon into Westerville or vice versa, both parties agree to share the revenue for a specific amount of time. The City of Westerville also agreed not to annex any businesses located in the JEDZ area.



### THE CHOICE IS YOURS!



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are encouraged at the Event. Additionally a fundraiser has been scheduled for Wednesday, October 10, all day at City Barbeque on the corner of Schrock Road and Westerville Road. For your convenience, a flyer for this fundraiser is included with this copy of *The Herald*. Simply present the flyer at the time you order your tasty meal at City Barbeque, and the HRAA will earn 25 percent of the money you spend there toward our fundraising efforts. Encourage family, friends, and neighbors to support this fundraiser by giving them flyers when they come along with you to City Barbecue on October 10. Additional flyers can be printed from the HRAA website at <a href="https://huberridge.org">huberridge.org</a> or through our Facebook page at Huber Ridge Area Association. Funds raised through this effort will be applied to the costs incurred for this Halloween event.

Speaking of costs, last year Blendon Township was not in a position to donate equipment for our event as they had for many years past. As a result, they needed to request payment for rental of the gator and trailer for the hayride, a generator for the haunted woods, a firebasket and wood for the bonfire, and hay for the hayride and bonfire as well as for pay for the employee to drive the hayride. Finances for the Township haven't gotten any better, so they are once again not in a position to donate these things this year. As a result, the HRAA is making a plea to the residents to loan this equipment for our Halloween event. Specifically we are looking for

- One generator (HRAA will purchase the gasoline) to use at the haunted woods
- Two tractors and trailers to run two hayrides this year (HRAA will purchase the gasoline to run the tractors)
- A couple of drivers for the hayrides
- A firebasket for the bonfire (firewood is already donated) With each year, we have also asked for other types of donations for this event. Here is this year's list if you are able to pitch in:
- Donation of time (It takes many volunteers to pull this together. Many opportunities are available to work registration, food service, administering games, tour guides for the haunted woods, and actors in the haunted woods. Volunteers to help with planning before the party are always welcome as are new and fresh ideas for activities.)
- & Candy donations for our trick-or-treat street activity
- Raffle-prize donations (If you have the skills or connections in the community to solicit local merchants for this kind of donation, we want to talk to you! Great way to contribute to this event before it even happens!)
- Old blankets (Joya Neff has already secured a donation of 24 bales of straw for our hayride and bonfire seating. Straw is not as soft as hay, but this generous donation is

- one we happily accepted. We are looking for old blankets to cover the straw so it will be more comfortable to sit on. Anyone have any that they can loan?)
- Halloween decorations you don't expect to use and would like to donate to the Association. With the Fall Community Garage Sale scheduled for October 6, you might come across decorations that fall into this category. We could use them in our haunted woods or as decorations in the shelter house.
- Money donations to be applied to expenses are always welcome!

If you would like to donate any of the items listed previously, please contact Carolyn or Eric Cordray at 882-1310 or through email at president@huberridge.org. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Plans are currently being worked out for a few new and fun additions to our Halloween event, so expect some surprises, too! The HRAA is very much looking forward to seeing you at the Halloween Event in Ridgewood Park again this year or for the first time! Plan to be there; it will definitely get you into the holiday frame of mind before greeting your own ninjas, Luke Skywalkers, puppies, clowns, and superheroes at your door on Beggars' Night!

-Carolyn Cordray, President

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3381 **Hunt Club Rd., N.** G. H. Mike Richards and Linda Larrow-Richards

3390 **Montford Road, N.** Damien Brandon 905-9576

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3480 **Manila Drive** Matt and Jackie Shumaker 973-8704

3614 **Manila Drive** Hope Benson 882-9796

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Contact Block Watch Coordinator Doug Murphy at 525-1488 or at blockwatch@huberridge.org to learn how you can become a Block Watch street or area representative!





### **Block Watch Update**

By the time you read this, we will have met at the September HRAA monthly meeting with representatives from the Blendon Township Police Department in an open forum to discuss issues in the area. For those who use Facebook, a synopsis of the topics will have been posted there and on the HRAA website. If there is enough interest, such a meeting may be done on a biannual basis.

-Doug Murphy, Block Watch Coordinator

### What If ...

A tornado were to hit the Ridge area? It hasn't happened yet, but what if it did? Would you know what to do during the tornado? For those with basements, use them! An interior room away from windows for those with no lower area in the house would work. After the tornado passes and everyone is okay, what next? Are there others who didn't fare as well as you did? Are the streets cleared so emergency responders can get to those who need help?

A number of these questions were answered when we had the strong storm come through in June. I started driving around the area to help clear debris from the main streets, and I saw dozens of neighbors helping others do the same. Except for the pickup truck on Dempsey, no one was seriously hurt by downed trees or power lines; but what would a person do or not do in that situation?

As a result of that curiosity, I took a Red Cross training class in Columbus and started on a journey to earn my D.A.R.T. Certification. D.A.R.T stands for "Disaster Assessment Response Team." These are some of the folks who go around the country after a major event has impacted an area and help wherever they are needed. One of the things they do is go to medical facilities and gather the names of those injured so loved ones in other parts of the country can receive an update on those affected. Locally the D.A.R.T helps after house fires to get people shelter and other items lost in the fire. If you are interested in doing something like this for your neighbors, then please contact the Red Cross in Columbus at 253-2740 or at redcross.org.

—Doug Murphy, Block Watch Coordinator



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Text SAPW to 90210 for monthly specials!

Contact manager on duty or call 614-818-4669.

### HRAA Family of the Quarter Meet the Overholts Family

There are always fun surprises with every one of my visits to meet the family of the quarter, and this certainly was no different!

Dennis and Cindy; their two boys, Tanner, who is 7 years old, and Sutton, who is 4; and Whimsy, a beautiful, crafty, coal-black, year-old kitten live at 3620 Stockholm Road. I didn't meet Crabby and Buddy Holly until I was almost ready to leave, so more about them later.

Dennis was born in the Dayton area and at an early age moved with his family to Reynoldsburg where he and his brother, Danny, graduated. His dad worked at Hub Plastics as a line operator and mechanic, and his mom was a stay-athome mom. After being denied entrance into the military, he joined Outward Bound and gained confidence in his perception of himself through 23 days of backpacking and mountain climbing in the Rocky Mountains of Colorado. The program is international and widely accepted as "experiential education." He then entered Hocking College while teaching outdoor activities at numerous camps throughout Ohio, later moved to Columbus to follow a job in construction, then entered and completed his AD at Columbus State.

Cindy was born on Long Island in the small town of Baldwinsville, New York. After completing the 8th grade, she, with her parents and older brother, Mike, moved to Delaware where she graduated from Olentangy High School. Her oldest brother, Andy, was in college in New York at the time of the move and returned to their small town after graduating. He is married with two little boys as well! Mike is enjoying life in German Village when he's not hiking across America on the Appalachian and Pacific Crest trails. Cindy spread her wings and enrolled at Kent State where she studied for 2 years before transferring to The Ohio State University. Her parents were quite pleased with her move as they had difficult memories of Kent as did many of us who experienced those times. In 2001 Cindy graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in English and secured a job with Bank One, now Chase, where she stayed until after Tanner's birth.

Now for the fun "story-telling" time! When both Dennis and Cindy completed college, they lived in the campus area; so at a mutual friend's surprise birthday party, they met; and after the party, Dennis asked Cindy out for a cup of coffee. She declined saying she had an appointment to have her hair done, which she knew sounded like a lame excuse since it was about 10 p.m.; but it was true. She was sure Dennis didn't believe it and regretted the chance to get to know him. Not to be deterred, the next day he called; and they had their first cup of coffee at Cup of Joe's. They were seated at an outside table, and shortly a friend Dennis hadn't seen in a long time approached. In his excitement, he turned to introduce Cindy

and forgot her name! He said, as he told this, "I thought I'd never see her again; I lost my chance." She smiled a little about the event and a little in sympathy for what Dennis felt at the time. During their courtship, they told of trips to the Ohio Historical Society and other downtown events; but the one they both recalled as amazing was their trip to the Columbus Arts Festival when it was at the corner of Marconi and Main. Again, living on campus, it seemed reasonable to walk. They did; and on the way back, he said he was amazed that she didn't complain. He asked her about how terribly her feet must hurt since they were bleeding; but she ignored the pain, and they completed their walk to their homes. He commented as they told this story that he is still amazed at how she did that!

When I asked how long their courtship was before he asked her to marry him, he said he was a patient man—9 months! So was he counting? Then he continued to share that they were married 5 months after his proposal. A couple years later, after living in a third-story home in Columbus, Cindy became pregnant; and Dennis was intent on moving since the steps to the apartment were metal fire-escape steps. They lived in the basement of a friend's house when they began looking for a home. After some searching and with the encouragement of friends who live on Copenhagen, the large backyard, and the positive reports of the high quality of Westerville schools, they bought their current home. They have fond memories of moving on December 4—celebrating Tanner's first birthday on the 15th, and then Christmas! Oh, to be young!

Both Cindy and Dennis are "people people," but Dennis has pursued his interest in being in customer service through several jobs and is now content with his plan to be a barber. He even has been offered a job with a local barber when he finishes school. This guy lets no grass grow under his feet, yet he considers himself patient! While in barber school, he is a Patient Care Associate at OSU where he has been for 3 years. Cindy has moved up through several positions at Ohio State from Secretary of the MS Center to Clinical Research Assistant and now to Certified Clinical Research Coordinator in OBGYN.

The boys are both in school—Tanner in the 2nd grade and Sutton in pre-school with Cindy as Secretary of the Apple PTA. Boy Scouts is a large part of the boys' lives as well as of their parents'. Cindy is the Wolf Den leader, Pack 770, of which Tanner is a member. He is currently working toward his Wolf badge. He was delighted to show me his huge second-place trophy for constructing a pine-wood derby car. He is also a member of the WASA soccer team and beamed when he presented his three team shirts. Sutton is going to follow in his brother's steps in Scouts and probably win a trophy for building something with Legos! Both boys

enjoy music, but Sutton may be the music "player." Cindy is ready to begin giving him piano lessons soon.

When I asked about hobbies, Dennis was quick to praise Cindy's ability to create beautiful work with scrapbookinag. She added that she does enjoy it when time permits. He said he just enjoys the house and what they can do with it, but he does also enjoy camping and fishing. Near the end of my visit, Tanner presented his crabs—Crabby and Buddy Holly. They were barely out of their shells, but I was told they enjoy playing in the freedom of the bathtub! After four years of writing these articles, this was a first for me!

Come out to the Huber Ridge Area Association meeting on October 4 when we honor the Overholtses and provide the community the chance to meet this delightful family. We'll look forward to having all of the family, excluding the pets, come to the Senior Center at 7 p.m. We usually greet our Family of the Quarter first on our agenda unless there is a guest speaker.

—Joya Neff, Membership Coordinator



### **Farmers Insurance**

Mark Betts, originally from Columbus, became a resident of Huber Ridge in 1993. He resides on Bangasi Road with his four sons—Noah, Austin, Nicholas, and Colin. His two youngest boys attend Huber Ridge Elementary School.

Having been a customer of Farmers Insurance for 30 years, he was asked to become an agent. He now heads up his own agency and has been an agent for one year. In addition, he owns his own company, PULSE PROMO, a promotional products company providing logos, uniforms, etc.

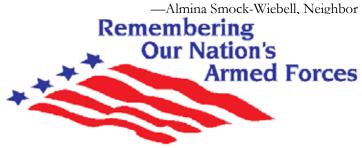
Mark is a registered representative for Farmers, able to serve with financial solutions and asset protection. The agency offers insurance for home, auto, life, business, health, and renters. He is required to have continuous education.

Farmers Insurance started 85 years ago in Los Angeles, California; serves 39 states; and is the third largest insurance company in the country! It is highly rated for its customer claim line. "We Are Farmers" and Farmers University boast of, not just selling you insurance, but educating you about

insurance. Mark has recently won a scholarship to Farmers University in Los Angeles and is scheduled to leave for same in November.

Some fun facts I learned are that Farmers Insurance, during the depression, paid their claims in CASH while others handed out I.O.U.'s! Car insurance started in the 1900's. General Accident Insurance (no longer in business) was the first company in the 1770's. Home owners insurance started as a fire brigade, made up of volunteers, during Ben Franklin's time!

We want to thank Mark for supporting the HRAA newsletter with his advertising. Whatever you want to do about insurance, "bundle"; be in "safe hands"; have "vanishing deductible"; don't forget, "WE ARE FARMERS"!



We are proud to recognize Huber Ridge service personnel both in *The Herald* and on our website, <u>huberridge.org</u>. In this issue, we honor

- Specialist Katie Christy
- 8 Gerald E. Shaner
- 8 Captain John Shinaberry
- 8 Captain John Paul Smock
- **8** Specialist Mark Smock
- Sgt. Benjamin K. Spears

If you are serving or have served in our Armed Forces or have a family member in the service, please let us know by calling 882-8959 or emailing jimwelch@netzero.net today!

-James Welch, Immediate Past President

### **Neighbor News**

Pastor Tim expresses the feeling of even "greater energy and faith" at the Faith Covenant Church on Dempsey Road with the presence of their new Worship Leader, Isaac Heath.

Originally from Huber Ridge, Isaac is a graduate of Westerville South High School. He recently received his degree in English from Otterbein University. Prior to that, he studied at Miami University; but before graduating, he toured with a band for 17 years!!! At one point, he called North Carolina his home.

Isaac feels his calling here is, in his words, for "the Heart of the HUB," referring to Huber Ridge. Extremely talented, he plays 14 instruments.

Presently he; his wife, Julie; their four-year-old daughter, Lizlie; and their 6-month-old son, Hudson, live in Hideaway Hills.

Welcome back to Huber Ridge!

—Almina Smock-Wiebell, Neighbor



### "Ridge Rats" Reunion

"Ridge Rats" got together for the second time at Ridgewood Park on Sunday, July 24. The original "Ridge Rats," who number 150 to 160, were the little boys and girls who came to or were born in the Ridge from 1961 to 1967.

Duff Kelley and Jack Shumaker, both of Manila Drive, are two of the originals. Jack named the group, and Duff put together the picnics.

These little "Ridge Rats" had a great time running though the area in its early stages finding exciting and mischievous things to do!

They could be seen at

- excavation sites building piles of dirt and having dirt "battles"!
- or at the Park when it wasn't a park hiking over cliffs, through trees and brush going all the way to 270 (nonexistent at the time)!
- or retrieving wood, etc., from the sites to build forts and tree houses!

- or sledding on the ice and playing hockey in the winter!
- or playing "army" near the Milligans' house, which provided the perfect layout!
- or getting Styrofoam containers which originally contained motorcycles from the Stone's Motorcycle Shop on Dempsey Road. They would then bring them to the creek, sit in them, and float down the creek clear to Morse Road! The best part—and their objective— was to attempt to smash the containers of the other "Ridge Rats" so they would have to swim!

It is unique that so many "Ridge Rats" still keep in touch and have wonderful memories of their childhood!

-Almina Smock-Wiebell, Neighbor

Left: Duff Kelley wearing a shirt with the "Ridge Rats" logo Below: "Ridge Rats" Gathering



### W.A.R.M.

Our community is proud that Ridgewood Park was selected by W.A.R.M. as the first location to provide nutritious meals to children during July and August. W.A.R.M. just completed the second summer of this worthy project.

The following is an article written by Scott Marier, Executive Director of W.A.R.M. and published in the July/ August issue of The Westerville Area Resource Ministry:

Recognizing the need within the parish, Almina Smock-Wiebell set about tending to the concerns of others. One family in particular, living in Huber Ridge, had just lost their mother shortly after giving birth to a son. St. Paul parishioners "sprang into action," writes Mrs. Smock-Wiebell. Folks cared for the family by cooking, cleaning, and childcare. Almina's efforts began at Christmas in 1968. "Christmas was not only the busiest, but the most rewarding time for my family and me." Fellow volunteers, such as Marge Day Lewis of Westerville Caring and Sharing, continued to help and "supplied not only food, clothing, furniture, and toys but also

funds for utilities, medical needs, and many other necessities." St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Parish continued the work in 1972 as Paul's Pantry. As the ministry grew, Westerville Area Ministerial Association, in cooperation with St. Paul's, became an integral support and catalyst of service marking the transformation of Paul's Pantry to Westerville Area Resource Ministry, better known today as W.A.R.M., a choice food pantry, job services, and resource center. The obedient effort of one person became the collaborative work of many. The power of one volunteer to make a difference is proved by Mrs. Smock-Wiebell. She answered the call to serve, and other volunteers continue to follow her example. Westerville Area Resource Ministry would like to thank Almina and her family for the rich heritage in which W.A.R.M. is rooted today. As one of the founding residents of Huber Ridge, she continues to reside here and serve others.

—HRAA Executive Committee



### thanks

the Huber Ridge Area Association

the residents who participated and volunteered in

Westerville Area Kids Lunch Club



and the Blendon Township Trustees

for making our second year in Ridgewood Park

such a success!

### **Ballot Questions Answered**

Mark October 4 on your 2012 calendar. The HRAA will be hosting an informational meeting on the November ballot issues affecting Blendon Township: JEDZ and Limited Home Rule. Our own Bryan Rhoads, Blendon Township Administrator, will answer any and all your questions on these issues. We are also planning to bring in the Ohio Board of Elections—again to answer your questions and concerns.

Please watch our website, <a href="https://huberridge.org">huberridge.org</a>, for our speakers for the November and December HRAA meetings.

—Eric Cordray, Vice President

### By Popular Demand

# HRAA's First Fall Community Garage Sale

Join your neighbors in the first Fall Community Garage Sale. It is a great time to finish cleaning your attic, basement, or garage to get rid of those summer toys that the kids have outgrown or to thin out those Christmas decorations that you just don't want to use again. At this time, it is too late to be added to the printed map that will be made available to shoppers in the area on October 6, but we can still add you to our online list. Our Fall Community Garage Sale is sponsored by Kimberly Sherrod of Keller Williams Greater Columbus Realty. For questions or to register for the online list, please contact Eric Cordray at vp@huberridge.org or at 882-1310. Good luck with your sale!

-Eric Cordray, Vice President

### Support the HRAA Halloween Event with the City Barbeque Fundraiser

Gather your friends, neighbors, and family and join us for the HRAA City Barbeque fundraiser at the Schrock Road location in Westerville on October 10. Your HRAA will receive 25 percent of your total check for all dine-in or carry-out orders all day on October 10. The proceeds from this fundraiser will help defray the cost of the Halloween Party scheduled for October 27.

For your convenience, we have inserted the City Barbeque fundraiser flyer in *The Herald*; but it is also available on our website at <a href="https://huberridge.org">huberridge.org</a> and through our Facebook page (Huber Ridge Area Association). Flyers must be presented at the time of the order for the HRAA to receive credit for the sale. You've enjoyed the Halloween Event for years, and we're trying to keep the costs down; so please help by participating in this fundraiser and come enjoy some tasty City Barbeque, too!

-Eric Cordray, Vice President

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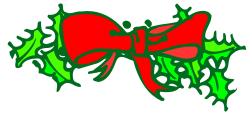
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### The Best Contest of All



The HRAA is sponsoring its fifth annual Holiday Lights and Decorations Contest. This is the best contest of all! No registration nor application is necessary. The only requirement is to decorate your residence for the holidays.

Prizes include a cash award of \$50 for first place, \$35 for second place, and \$25 for third place. In addition to the cash award, all winners will receive a gift basket of holiday goodies.

Judges will visit the HRAA neighborhoods during the holiday season and determine the winners. First impressions, creativity, and imagination will help to determine the winners. Prizes will be distributed the week before Christmas by one of Santa's dedicated elves accompanied by a member of the Blendon Township Police Department if available.

> —Sharon Ricker Holiday Lights and Decorations Contest Coordinator

Trying to sell your home this fall? Here are a few suggestions from Coldwell Banker King Thompson:

• Show your colors. Do you have a well-landscaped front yard? Keep it looking its best and rake as often as needed. If you have an abundance of leafy deciduous trees, fall is your home's time

- Play up the holidays. If your home is ideal for entertaining. talk to me about ways to accentuate its best features. Set the dining room table for a holiday meal or serve seasonal drinks from the living room.
- Get everything in tip-top shape. Pay close attention to elements of the home that are essential this season. Check gutters, have your heating system checked, and make sure fireplaces are cleaned and in working order.
- Know your place in the market. Savvy buyers are walking into your home more educated than ever. Work with me to stay in the know about the homes recently sold, those pulled from the market, or those currently listed in your area.



**Barbara Crawford** GRI, ABR, ePRo, SFR



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Huber Ridge BI⊕⊕ms 2012 Results and Recap

### A Difficult Year for Dedicated **Gardeners**

This was by far our most challenging year for the garden show and tour since Bl@@ms began because of drought conditions. Need I say more? Please join me in congratulating the following six dedicated, hard-working, and persevering residents:

First-Place Winners: Ron and Janice Fultz with their helper/granddaughter Elizabeth of 5555 Oslo Drive—best of show in color, diversity, and water features. Awarded \$100 gift card to Home Depot donated by Bl ms Honorary Chairman/Blendon Township Trustee Stewart Flaherty.

Second-Place Winners: Norm and Diane Lobdell, 3669 Bolamo Drive—most creative use of space; outstanding design. Awarded \$50 gift card to Oakland Nursery donated by Sharon Ricker, Bl®®ms Co-Chair and Judge.

Third-Place Winners: Karl and Kathy Austin, 6037 Paris Boulevard, North—backyard oasis; best pond feature. Awarded \$35 cash donated by the Huber Ridge Area Association (HRAA).

Additional Winners: Mark and Paula Dudgeon, 3499 Saigon Drive, most environmentally conscious; bountiful vegetable garden; beautiful hostas AND Michael C. Schuetz, 3795 Balboa Place (front yard only)—best stone bed; great design and ornaments AND Harold and Dixie Shoemaker, 3682 Managua Drive (front yard only)—outstanding curb appeal; striking beauty spot.

Each participant received a gift bag with donated items from Hoover Gardens (one of our valued sponsors); Barbara Crawford of Coldwell Banker, King Thompson; Joya Neff of the HRAA; Sharon Ricker, Co-Chair and Judge; Pam Clegg, Co-Chair and Judge, and the Huber Ridge Area Association.

Special thanks to our gardeners—those listed above as well as those who persevered, in caring for their landscape all summer. We already have some of you in mind for next year. We hope you will consider showing off your work to the community!

Additional thanks to the Bl@@ms committee for their time, sweat, and talent in judging and photography: Judges Elisabeth Clegg, Barbara Crawford, Jeff Laine, Linda Laine, Sharon Ricker, and Photographer Hannah Clegg. Special thank you to the coordinators for their expertise.

If you wish to view pictures of the gardens and you have a Facebook page, please search for and "like" Huber Ridge Bl@@ms Community Organization.

—Pam Clegg, Huber Ridge Bl® ®ms Co-Chair/Judge













Huber Ridge Bl⊕ ⊕ms Winners in 2012
Top left: Lobdell family; Top right: Austin family;
Middle left: Fultz family; Middle right: Dudgeon family;
Bottom left: Shoemaker family; Bottom right: Schuetz family

Ridge A Ralooža What a Party!

The outcome of this partnership is awesome! For the fourth year, the Ridge and Faith Covenant Church have joined together to sponsor this huge "community block party." Thank you, Pastor Tim, for all your support! This year 289 people including 163 children enjoyed the food and fun. There were more activities and more attendees this year. Without attempting to name all the events, we simply kept the usual fair-style food and activities such as cotton candy, sno cones, a bounce house, Slip 'n Slide, corn hole, face painting, then a movie. Kevin Diamond, the Youth Pastor of Faith Covenant, was the DJ and demonstrated his unique winning style with the youth. The new events were the Sunny 95 Treat Truck that paid us a visit and a car expo of five antique cars owned by Tom Wiebell, Larry and Elva Reese, Bob and Cheryl Matheny, and Bob and Joy Neff—all from the Ridge. The Marketplace of vendors was larger and better attended with many vendors talking about next year. However, no such event would be complete without the Blendon Township Police and Fire departments bringing their vehicles for the children (and adults) to see, touch, and hear! They are always a hit! This year was no exception. The officers and firemen

were enjoying the children as much as the reverse, and it showed.

But the glue that kept it together was the 50-plus volunteers from the Church and the Ridge, who—under the direction of Lori Mann—were scheduled in about 150 half-hour work shifts, a new and successful approach: Hope Benson; Thomasine Bowen; Tom Carlson; Claudia Carney; Ed and Chris Chilcoat; Eric and Carolyn Cordray; Sylvia Cousins; Tom DeSteuben; Kevin, Pat, and Kathy Diamond; John and Teralyn Ellis; Angie and Bryan Goff; Anna Grant; Tom and Jan Heichel; Anna Helm; Mike and Sally Henkaline; Tom and Sandy Hensel; Becca Houser; Helen Keyse; Byron and Lori Mann; Chuck Marlow; Jack and Sandi Moore; Doug and Diane Murphy; Marje Obrist; Ruth Olon; Dennis and Cindy Overholts; the Penton family; Tim and Charity Prior; Cathy Shinaberry; Jackie Shumaker; Phyllis and Emily Van; Jim and Jean Welch; Jim and Margaret Westlake; Glen and Kathy Williams; and Bob, Joya, Shane, and Gina Neff.

I would be remiss were I not to mention the raffle which draws some anticipation for the adults and a bit of revenue. Drawings were frequent to assure that the numerous items were won. The donors were Almina and Tom Wiebell, Claudia Carney, and Joya Neff with company donations



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—Joya Neff, Ridge-a-Palooza Committee Member

### **NNO Get-Together**

In observance of National Night Out, Tom and Almina Wiebell hosted a neighborhood get-together for several families on Oslo Drive. Also in attendance were Sergeant Erick Moynihan and Officer Ben Newman of the Blendon Township Police Department. The Blendon Township/ Westerville firefighters and their Fire Engine No. 112 were a further plus. It also proved to be a reunion for the firefighters and the Pitney family since the firefighters delivered the Pitneys' youngest son at the Oslo residence!!

-Almina Smock-Wiebell, Neighbor



Pitney Family with Blendon Township/Westerville Firemen on National Night Out

### Landscaping Neighborhood Flower Beds

For some time now, the HRAA has been accepting recommendations for landscapers who would be willing to craft an estimate for a design and plant the flower beds around our neighborhood signs at two of our entrances (161/Buenos Aires Boulevard and Westerville Road/Paris Boulevard) as well as the beds at the entrance to Ridgewood Park on Buenos Aires Boulevard. To date, we have received two estimates from landscaping companies and an agreement for a master gardener who will draw a garden design and direct/assist with the work by residents to create this landscaping. A summary of these three contacts was distributed at the last HRAA meeting, but no decision on which way the Association wishes to proceed has been made. This issue was tabled for discussion at the next meeting.

-Carolyn Cordray, President

### If You Need Help, ...

If you are one of the many who have been affected financially by layoffs, exhausted unemployment benefits, and/or higher utility bills, the thought of Christmas may make you cringe.

However, there is help available; and many organizations and churches can lend a hand around the holidays. To help you begin planning, a few of these organizations are listed below. All of them respect your right to privacy and treat all clients with concern and dignity. Please contact any of them if you or someone you know can use a little help during the upcoming months.

Some helping agencies need to have you contact HandsOn of Central Ohio for a referral. HandsOn is a 24-hour, community-wide information and referral service for all residents of Franklin County. They offer referrals to social/human services and food pantries including holiday assistance. You can call them at 221-6766 or Administration TDD: 614-341-2272. They also have a website: <a href="http://www.handsoncentralohio.org">http://www.handsoncentralohio.org</a>. You may also find help with other needs such as utility or medical needs through HandsOn.

The Salvation Army's Christmas Cheer is a food and toy distribution program, which provides families with a Christmas dinner food box that includes a chicken, stuffing, potatoes, apples, corn, milk, butter, yams, applesauce, cookies, and many other meal stretching items. They also include a new toy for every child under the age of 13. You can begin registering for Christmas Cheer in November; sign-up normally begins the week after Thanksgiving. For location and times of registration, you can call 221-6561 or keep checking their website at <a href="http://salvationarmycolumbus.org/NeedHelp/ChristmasSeasonHelp.aspx">http://salvationarmycolumbus.org/NeedHelp/ChristmasSeasonHelp.aspx</a>.

Lutheran Social Services offers seasonal support to help children and families through the holiday season. You can contact them at 228-5200 or check their website for information closer to the holidays at <a href="http://www.lssco.org">http://www.lssco.org</a>. They are located at 500 West Wilson Bridge Road, Suite 245, Worthington, OH 43085.

Westerville Caring & Sharing is an all-volunteer, charitable organization that serves families and children within the Westerville school system. This group also runs "Back to School" as well as Christmas fundraising programs. During Christmas, families receive a food basket, hygiene and paper products, and clothing gift cards as well as items from "wish lists." You can reach them at 470-4320 for more information.

And, of course, many churches assist during the holidays; if you are a member of one, you can check to see if they are able to assist you. Helping one another any time of the year is a fundamental part of every religion's faith.

-Claudia Carney, Secretary

### **Communicate with Us!**

There are several ways that you, the residents of the Ridge, can communicate with us.



One way is to write a letter to the editor of this publication, The Herald. We will publish as many letters as space permits!



Another way is by our website, <u>huberridge.org</u>. "Add Yourself" to the list of "Our Neighbors" if you like. Join in the "Discussions," the most popular section of the website. Neighborhood Link provides us with a hit report for <u>huberridge.org</u>. Here is the report for the past five months and through September 20:

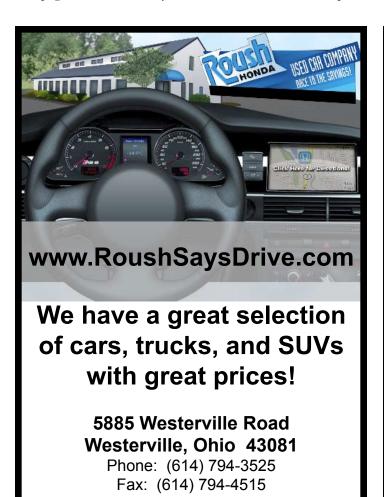
April 2012 May 2012 June 2012 July 2012 August 2012 September 2012 9,667 12,246 12,343 14,020 11,308 6,821 (through 20<sup>th</sup>) Other sections of our website include "Calendar," "Map," "Meet Your Neighbors," "Our Info" (which includes the newsletter archive), and "Pages & Links."

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A third way is on Facebook; look for the group Huber Ridge Area Association. Ridge residents have posted requests for information or assistance, offered information, reported lost and found pets, cautioned neighbors about criminal activities, and compared notes on power outages to name only a few.

Finally, phone numbers and email addresses of the HRAA Executive Committee members are found at the bottom of the first page of this and every issue of *The Herald*. Let's keep in touch.

-Marje Obrist, Newsletter Editor



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### Do You Remember June 29?

That was the day we experienced a terrific straight-line windstorm (derecho) which caused quite a bit of damage and a significant power outage in Huber Ridge.

In the aftermath of the storm, several residents posted expressions of appreciation on the Huber Ridge Area Association Facebook page. Here is what some of them said:

**Carrie Burns** wrote, "We have power! Thank God and a special thank you to all of the crew who worked such long hours to make it happen! Will definitely sleep like a baby tonight!!!!"

**Sarah Malaby** wrote, "Thank you to all of the AEP members that worked so hard!!"

**Linda Royse** wrote, "Not to sound like a mom, but please pass along our 'Thanks' to the electric repairmen in the area. I would not want to handle their task in this weather, some of them being states away from home! (Our kindergarten church class prayed for their safety today.):)"

Lynn Singleton White wrote, "I believe we have the best community around! Everyone here is so helpful and neighborly. Thanks to everyone for coming together during this trying time for all of us. It was a rough time for everyone. I was constantly checking my phone for updates on this page when our power was out. I feel like I know all of you even though I have never met you."

What a great community we have!

-Marje Obrist, Newsletter Editor

### **Rain Barrel Blues**

Full of enthusiasm to divert water which might otherwise contribute to sewer overflow or carry pollution to water sources, I attended the *first* Blendon Township Rain Barrel Workshop presented by the Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District on March 22, 2011, and purchased a rain barrel for \$54 (a great price).

I learned many things at the workshop including the fact that my rain barrel is a closed sytem with automatic inflow and overflow, the fact that ½ inch of rain fills my 60-gallon rain barrel, and the fact that my full rain barrel weighs almost 500 pounds.

I could hardly wait to install my rain barrel and sought the assistance of my savvy sister. First, we constructed a base for the barrel using cinder blocks to elevate the barrel for good water pressure. Then we practiced drilling the hole for the diverter in a downspout scrap before drilling the real hole, which must be very *precisely* positioned in order for the hose from the downspout to the barrel to be *perfectly* level. The drilling, done by my expert sister, went well. The cinder block base did not go well, however. The bottom of the rain barrel overlapped the base slightly—enough to cause the full barrel to lean and fall over (with its 500 pounds of water).

After this happened *fine* times, I wisely sought the expertise of the Village Handyman owner and Huber Ridge resident, Fred Moore, who constructed a bigger base for the rain barrel.

Last year (2011) was a very wet year (15 inches of surplus precipitation), so I didn't need the rain barrel water as much as I thought I would. I did attach a soaker hose to it to water an area of the backyard which gets a lot of sun and to water the flower bed on the south side of the house.

When fall arrived, I dutifully took the hose off the rain barrel and put the cover over the hole in the downspout. FSWCD presenter Stephanie Suter had told workshop participants that the barrel should be drained and stored in the garage for the winter to prevent cracks in the barrel. Cleaning out the inside of the barrel was not quite as easy as Stephanie suggested it would be. I ended up putting the barrel on its side, crawling inside, scrubbing out the algae, crawling out, rotating the barrel, crawling inside again ... well, you get the picture.

This year I decided not to put the rain barrel out until July—not a good plan since I didn't anticipate the drought conditions beginning in late spring. In the end, my rain barrel spent the summer in storage in my garage.

I still believe that a rain barrel is a good way to save water



(a precious commodity in Huber Ridge) and will continue to learn to use my rain barrel more efficiently.

-Marje Obrist, Newsletter Editor and Rain Barrel Owner

### **Westerville Safe Call**

At our February 2 HRAA meeting, Drew Fowler presented information promoting his Eagle Scout Project, Westerville Safe Call, a daily telephone check-in service for home-bound, handicapped, or elderly residents. This service is *free* to Westerville and Blendon Township residents.

Once you are enrolled in Safe Call, a computer will call your home every day at a predetermined time. If everything is all right, all you need to do is pick up the phone and follow the message instructions. Drew told us that some people use this call as an alarm clock to get them up in the morning.

If you don't answer the phone, the computer will call a person you have designated as one who has your house key. This person will be sent to check on you. If this keyholder does not answer, the Blendon Township Police or the Westerville/Blendon Township Firemen will be sent to you home. You can notify Westerville Safe Call if you are not going to be home at the time your call is scheduled.

For more information, call Kippy Shurman at 901-6790.

—Marje Obrist, Newsletter Editor

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### **New Distribution Coordinator of THE HERALD**

Our new Newsletter Distribution Coordinator, Jim Chill, is excited to begin his new position coordinating the distribution and delivery of over 1,600 *Herald* newsletters. He feels that "the newsletter is a way to connect all of us" and contributes greatly to our sense of neighborhood. For this reason, Jim feels that it is very important to make sure that every household receives each issue of *The Herald*. We are very fortunate to have Jim's passion for the newsletter as the motivating factor behind his decision to become our new Newsletter Distribution Coordinator.

In this position, Jim will be responsible for picking up the issues of *The Herald* from YesPress Graphics LLC and separating them into bundles of several hundred each. He will then deliver these bundles along with a supply of rubber bands to each of the eight area captains. From there, the captains will get the issues to the route volunteers for door-to-door delivery.

At this time, Jim is actively looking to recruit more volunteers. He would love to hear from anyone who might be able to help with route delivery or even to be available as a sub when a volunteer is unable to cover his or her route. A typical route is usually only 20 to 30 houses, located on or near the street of the volunteer, and would not take more than one hour to do. Please send Jim an email at heralddistribution@huberridge.org if you would like to learn more.

We are grateful that Jim is willing to volunteer on behalf of our Huber Ridge Area Association, and we wish him all the best over the coming months.

—Susan Dapo, Neighbor

## Editorial Guidelines for the Publication of THE HERALD Purpose

The Herald is published quarterly by the Huber Ridge Area Association (HRAA) for the purpose of informing the members and potential members of the Huber Ridge Area Association of the activities, concerns, and achievements of the HRAA. The HRAA Executive Committee is responsible for reviewing and approving the content of this newsletter.

### **Advertising Rates**

Advertising rates are as follows: \$25 per issue for a business-card (3.5" wide x 2" tall) ad \$65 per issue for a quarter-page (3.75" wide x 5" tall) ad \$125 per issue for a half-page (7.5" wide x 5" tall) ad \$225 per issue for a full-page (7.5" wide x 10" tall) ad

If you are interested in advertising in the winter issue of *The Herald*, please contact Marje Obrist at 891-6944 or at editor@huberridge.org.

### Welcome, New Members and New Residents!

Please extend a welcome to the following six families who have become members of the Huber Ridge Area Association and let them know we are glad they chose to have closer ties to the "goings on" in the Ridge. Our membership now totals 220 including some who have forgotten to pay their dues!

- ★ John and Teralyn Ellis, 3433 Paris
- ★ Dan and Kristan Hoover, 3671 Santiago
- ★ Dennis and Cindy Overholts, 3620 Stockholm
- ★ Phillip and Susan Pepin, 3485 Dempsey
- ★ Douglas and Krista Stauffer, 3590 Karikal
- ★ Dick and Barbara Wrachford, 3824 Balboa

Then we should also welcome the following new residents who, according to our source of information, have moved into the Ridge since March (excluding May newcomers on whom we reported last quarter):

★ Brian M. Januszweski, 3721 Panama

- ★ Reynold J. Schoenbauer, Jr., 3358 Hunt Club
- ★ John and Teralyn Ellis, 3433 Paris
- ★ Richard and Sandra Jenkins, 6427 Montford
- ★ Michael J. Jennings, 5654 Buenos Aires
- ★ Kyle T. Preston, 3584 Karikal
- ★ Tracey Roark and Melvin Legg, 5976 Paris
- ★ Mark and Sarah Cox, 5519 Copenhagen
- ★ Matthew Panko, 3491 Dempsey
- ★ Jared and Laura Congrove, 5650 Copenhagen
- ★ Brittany L. Parker, 5744 Buenos Aires
- ★ Kevin Johnson, 6077 Dakar
- ★ Julie Colvin and Nathan Wolfe, 3616 Panama
- ★ Joshua Raines, 5700 Vienna
- ★ D. Brian and Jessica McDonald, 5927 Bangasi
- ★ Irmgart Machnik, 5795 Buenos Aires
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—Joya Neff, Membership Coordinator

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### Here's What's Happening in the Ridge!



October 4 ....... Farmers Market at Faith Covenant Church from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and every Thursday through October 25
October 4 ....... HRAA Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 7:00 p.m.
October 6 ...... Fall Community Garage Sale in Huber Ridge from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.: N

October 6 ....... Fall Community Garage Sale in Huber Ridge from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.: NEW! October 10 ...... Blendon Township Trustees Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 6:30 p.m. October 10 ...... HRAA City Barbeque (on Schrock Road) Fundraiser All Day

October 18 ................ HRAA Executive Committee Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 7:00 p.m. October 24 ....................... Blendon Township Trustees Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 6:30 p.m. October 27 ............................ HRAA Halloween Event in Ridgewood Park from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

October 31 ..... Beggars' Night from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

November 7 ............. Blendon Township Trustees Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 6:30 p.m.

November 15 ............ HRAA Executive Committee Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 7:00 p.m.

November 20 ............. Blendon Township Trustees Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 6:30 p.m.

December 5............. Blendon Township Trustees Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 6:30 p.m.

December 6............. HRAA Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 7:00 p.m.: DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS FOR 2013 OFFICERS

December 16........... Winners Chosen for the HRAA Holiday Lights and Decorations Contest with Prizes Awarded the Week Before Christmas

December 19.......... Blendon Township Trustees Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 6:30 p.m.

December 20......... HRAA Executive Committee Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 7:00 p.m.

January 3 ....... HRAA Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 7:00 p.m.: ELECTION OF 2013

HRAA OFFICERS