

Annual Block Watch Training, April 25, 7 p.m., Blendon Senior Center

I was sharing with someone the other day about how depressing my role as Block Watch Coordinator is; I see so many troubling things happening in the Township when I receive the Biweekly Blendon Township Police Report. The report always looks a little better after I filter it to remove the areas that are not in the Huber Ridge Area, and that is a good thing. My wife says I spend too much time on Facebook, and I reply that, being one of 56 first cousins on my mom's side of the family, it is the only way I can keep up with what is happening in that part of the family. What does this have to do with Block Watch, you might ask?

It is on Facebook that I see the concern a number of neighbors have for a mail carrier that is MIA on his route. The posts shared how he was well liked and is missed very much, and a number of people wonder if something can be done to help the family as he recovers from his illness. Their concern is medicine for my soul.

It is on Facebook that I see posts of a missing dog or one found by concerned neighbors wanting to see owner and pet reunited. More medicine.

It is on Facebook where I see topics like the possible concerts in the Park, the cut-through on Brazzaville Road, the saga of the trash cans, the road conditions after snowstorms, and (to some degree) what is going on in our schools. All of this is medicine for a weary soul that sees too many bad people doing bad things around the world.

The last Block Watch training was titled "See Something, Say Something." It is my intent that this year's training will expand on that concept to sharpen our "seeing" skills so we can give a clear, concise report of what we saw. Should be fun, and it will be if you are there!

—Doug Murphy, Block Watch Coordinator

Beautify Blendon Days

Mark your calendars now for "Beautify Blendon Days" from April 19-21. Have fun working with friends and neighbors these three days while cleaning up your community.

You can help by volunteering to

✚ Participate in our community parks clean-up event to pick up litter, weed flower beds, paint a shelter house, and more!

✚ Donate some time to clean up a local green space, creek, trail, or neighborhood. We can suggest some areas that need a helping hand. The Township will provide bags and will pick up and dispose of waste at the end of your event.

✚ Spruce up your home and yard. What better time than Earth Week to welcome spring and brighten your neighborhood!

✚ Spend a couple hours picking up litter along one of our roadways! Reflective safety vests, trash bags, and trash pickers will be provided as you team with one of our Township Service Department employees.

Lunch will be provided at Ridgewood Park for all volunteers on Saturday, April 20, compliments of our local businesses. A full-size dumpster will be available in the parking lot of Ridgewood Park on Buenos Aires Boulevard all three days for spring yard waste and large household trash.

Also on Saturday at the Blendon Township Complex at 6330 Hempstead Road, Cintas Document Management, a mobile document shredding company, will provide FREE document shredding between the hours of 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Additionally, you can bring in your used tires for disposal. Call our Township Administrator, Bryan Rhoads, at 302-8248 to get involved, make arrangements for supplies, or for additional information.

—Jan Heichel, Blendon Township Trustees Vice-Chair

Trustees' New Ideas and Programs for 2013

The Blendon Township Trustees are working on many new ideas and programs for 2013. The Blendon Township Zoning Commission was formed in late 2012, and they have been working tirelessly to get a proposed zoning text and map to the Trustees. The Trustees wanted to place zoning on the ballot in 2012 along with home rule and JEDZ, but there was too much work to be done. Having local zoning instead of county zoning will help us plan for the future and redevelop Blendon Township. Our current zoning is administered

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through Franklin County. It will take a vote from Township residents to bring zoning to a local level.

The Blendon Township Trustees are also starting our own commercial building department. Currently businesses pay for permits and fees through the State of Ohio, and the Township is missing out on revenue generated from the fees. Creating our own local commercial building department will allow us to generate additional revenue and provide excellent inspection services for businesses.

Several landscaping projects around the Township will kick off this year. The Township was awarded money from ODNR in 2012 to remove dead/diseased ash trees and plant new trees. This year you will see \$5,000 worth of new trees planted around the Township. Engineering firms are working on beautification plans for Phelps Acre and the Buenos Aires Gateway. Once the plans are complete, we will go after grants to fund the projects.

Last but not least, the Trustees authorized a private mowing and landscaping firm to help keep our parks in excellent condition. The company will add mulch, weed pre-emergent, trimming, and weekly mowing at all of the parks. Stay tuned as we go into another busy year!

—Bryan Rhoads, Blendon Township Administrator

Neighbor News


The Borgerdings, Tom and Vicki, have been residents of Fox Chase since 1985. Tom is Managing Editor of WOSU News. Their daughter, Alyson, oldest of four children, now resides in Hawaii. She recently was named Publisher of Honolulu Publishing, which reaches all of the islands. Alyson attended Huber Ridge Elementary School, graduated from Westerville South High School, and received her journalism degree from Ohio State magna cum laude. She previously held the Travel Editor position for *The Columbus Dispatch*. She and her husband, George Helwage, have a 2-year-old daughter.

We are so proud of Hannah Clegg, senior at Westerville Central High School/Delaware Area Career Center. She and her family are Huber Ridge residents on Makassar Drive. Among her many accomplishments, she recently was the recipient of the Atlas Butler Award!

After 27½ years in the same location, “Love Your Pet” Grooming Shop has relocated to Flo Doyle’s residence at 5589 Buenos Aires Boulevard in Huber Ridge. She is grateful for your continued support and patronage. Go online to loveyourpetgrooming.com to print out your coupon and receive \$5 off your complete grooming.

Tom Wiebell of Oslo Drive in Huber Ridge is hosting a new radio program! “Community Insight” is offered by 98.9 WTOH/FM on Sunday mornings at 6 a.m. The program deals with local issues. Examples of programs recently aired are Ohio National Guard, Township Government with Stew Flaherty, WRFD/WTOH Station Manager Tom Heyl, and Leadership in Government.


—Almina Wiebell, Neighbor

 **“HRAA, Inc. Family of the Quarter” will return in the summer issue of this newsletter!**

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After months of cold, chilly weather, it's time to think warm thoughts as in the upcoming warm springtime and as in the **Westerville Area Resource Ministry (WARM)**. With the warmer weather, it is common to see signs posted in our neighborhood or read articles in the local Westerville newspaper about activities carried on by WARM. This faith based organization has been serving the Westerville community since 1972.

This past summer at our Ridgewood Park, WARM was serving free lunches to low-income, at-risk children, ages 1-18, on weekdays. This program called the Westerville Area Kids Lunch Club provides not only food but also free educational, enrichment, and recreational activities. Children receive sound nutrition and daily physical activity and appropriate mental stimulation. The Kids Lunch Club is just one of several programs carried out by WARM to serve our community.

Once again this summer, WARM will be at Ridgewood Park serving weekday free lunches to all attending children from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. In addition to Ridgewood Park, the Kids Lunch Program will be located at five other outdoor sites in the area. Each of the outdoor sites is located in a

neighborhood where greater than 50 percent of families are "food insecure" as determined by the Ohio Department of Education and the U.S. Census data.

Right in our own backyard, there are needful families who have economic challenges and are unable to provide enough food to feed their children. In summer 2012, over 162 children were served daily at the Kids Lunch Club covering 53 program days. In all, over 1,000 individual children were impacted; and 19,799 free meals were served including weekend "backpack" meals.

Volunteers are needed to help WARM serve weekday free lunches to children in need this summer! Volunteer areas include setup for lunch service, greeting children, serving nutritious food, helping with meal counts, minimal cleanup, interacting with children, reading and playing with kids, and assisting Activity Leaders.

The mission of WARM is to provide compassionate, short-term assistance; educational services; and spiritual support to encourage individuals to achieve a God-reliant, self-sufficient life while restoring dignity and hope!

If you would like to volunteer to help WARM with the Kids Lunch Club, contact Jackie Haight at Jackie@warmwesterville.org or at 899-0196, extension 218.

—Doug Dapo, Neighbor

Westerville Area Kids Lunch Club



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- ♂ **Specialist Katie Christy**
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- ♂ **Captain John Shinaberry**
- ♂ **Captain John Paul Smock**
- ♂ **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

New Newsletter Distribution Coordinator Announced

Many hands make light work as the saying goes, and such is the plan for the new *Herald* Newsletter Distribution

Coordinator, Eric Cordray. Former Coordinator Jim Chill has an opportunity to return to Ohio State to pursue his education; although you'll still see him delivering *The Herald*, he needed to free up some time to attend to his studies.

Eric returns to a leadership position with the Huber Ridge Area Association, Inc. after having a change in work schedule allowing him to devote more time to volunteering in the neighborhood. Eric has enlisted the help of Jean Welch and June Riggs to aid him with delivering the newsletters to the area captains who, in turn, deliver newsletters to the street deliverers. Eric and his team will also be recruiting additional deliverers to cover streets without regularly assigned deliverers such as Dempsey and Copenhagen and will be looking for an area captain for Area A, which is all of the streets on the north side of Dempsey. This volunteer opportunity is just four times a year and simply involves dropping off newsletters to your neighbors. If you'd like to help with this, contact Eric at heralddistribution@huberridge.org or 882-1310.

—Carolyn Cordray, President

May 2 HRAA, Inc. Meeting Topic

Are You a Senior or Caring for One?

Do you have a loved one who is over 60 and needs assistance to maintain his or her independence? Or are you a family member with the often overwhelming task of caring for a frail older parent, family member, or friend with limited abilities?

Please come to our HRAA, Inc. general meeting on May 2 at 7 p.m. to meet Janet Caldwell from Franklin County Senior Options. She will be our guest speaker and will address the many programs Senior Options has available to assist you whether it is home delivered meals, respite care, personal care, or even some minor home repairs.

Meetings are held at the Blendon Township Senior Center. If you need transportation, please contact Claudia Carney at 794-0927; and arrangements will be made.

We hope to see you there!

—Claudia Carney, Secretary

Start Spring Gardening at the Plant Swap

As our days become warmer, you'll want to mark your calendar for our eighth annual Huber Ridge Area Association, Inc. (HRAA, Inc.) plant swap. Held each year on the Saturday of Mother's Day weekend, it is this year planned for May 11 from 10 a.m. until everything that has been brought to swap is gone (usually that's about noon) in the Ridgewood Park

shelter house located on Buenos Aires Boulevard.

As you start to get out and clean up your flower beds, instead of tossing out excess plant material, just stick it in a pot (or even just a baggie) and plan to bring it down to the plant swap to share with your neighbors. Hostas are always a big hit, and last year we had some nice vegetable plants shared; but anything is great from flowers to bushes and trees. Everyone is welcome to come whether you bring plants or not, so just stop by and get a start on your spring gardening with a shared plant from a neighbor!

—Carolyn Cordray, President

There Will Be Music in the Air

Recently a small group of residents and Blendon Township officials put together a proposal asking the Huber Ridge Area Association, Inc. (HRAA, Inc.) to be the primary sponsor for a summer concert in the park series to be held at Ridgewood Park. The proposal was accepted by the general membership of the HRAA, Inc., so this event will be brought to the residents of the Huber Ridge Area with Blendon Township hosting the event and the HRAA, Inc. taking on the role of primary sponsor.

Residents Duff Kelley, June Riggs, Claudia Carney, Eric Cordray, and Carolyn Cordray along with residents and Township officials Jim Welch and Jan Heichel with Township Administrator Bryan Rhoads rounding out the group put together the proposal. Although many details are yet to be finalized, proposed dates for the concerts are Friday, June 14; Saturday, July 13; and Saturday, September 14. Concerts will be family focused entertainment between an hour and an hour and a half in duration and, best of all, with free admission. Mark your calendars now and plan to attend this summer for a family oriented fun time!

If you are interested in helping out or have ideas that you think should be considered, please contact Carolyn Cordray at president@huberridge.org or 882-1310. We'll need a few volunteers for this; so if you have any kind of experience with this sort of event, let us know!

—Carolyn Cordray, President

Join in the Summer Community Garage Sale

Plan to set up shop on Saturday, June 15, for the Huber Ridge Area Association, Inc.'s summer community garage sale. Once again, this will be co-sponsored by the Huber



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Ridge Area Association, Inc. (HRAA, Inc.) and Kimberly Sherrod and Sheri Foster, Real Estate Group 3:16 of Keller Williams Greater Columbus Realty. Although the event will be advertised for the hours of 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., individual sales can open and close down as desired.

Advertisements will be placed in *The Columbus Dispatch* and as many websites as we can find to encourage as much traffic in the neighborhood that day as possible. Once again, the HRAA, Inc. will be offering to register garage sales for the purpose of further promoting your sale. Not only will addresses of registered garage sales be listed on the HRAA, Inc. website and Facebook page, but they will also be listed and printed on maps to be made available to shoppers in the area on the day of the sale through each garage sale location. If you or your children set up a drink or snack stand, register that, too! Shoppers in the area get hungry and thirsty, so promoting your stand is a good idea.

To register, either email Carolyn Cordray at president@huberridge.org or phone 882-1310 with your name, phone number, email address, and one or two items you will be featuring in your garage sale. Registration will end Thursday, June 13, to allow time for printing and delivery of the maps to each sale location. A second community garage sale is

scheduled for Saturday, September 7. Residents are welcome to register in one or both sales.

—Carolyn Cordray, President

Sixth Huber Ridge Blooms Garden Show and Contest Coming July 14, 2013

It's Time to Bloom!

Huber Ridge Blooms is an HRAA, Inc. sponsored annual garden show and contest for Huber Ridge residents who wish to showcase their flower or vegetable gardens. It is a judged contest that began six years ago at the suggestion and with the financial support of Blendon Township Trustee Stewart Flaherty, our Honorary Chairman. The purpose of the show is to promote, reward, and encourage beautification and community.

This year the garden tour will be Sunday, July 14, from 1 to 5 p.m. Registration for the show starts now but ends **July 3 at 5 p.m.** Any resident of Huber Ridge who is 18 years or older may participate. **We typically limit the number of entries to 15 because of the time it takes to visit and enjoy each garden, so be sure to sign up early.**

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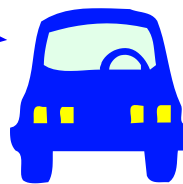
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Each participant must complete and sign the Huber Ridge Blooms 2013 application. There are other contest requirements and expectations listed on the application. You may access the application at huberridge.org, or you may call Pam Clegg at 891-9176 or Sharon Ricker at 891-1881 to have an application delivered to your home.

Huber Ridge Blooms, Community Organization, is also on Facebook. Please like our page to view photos of previous years' entries and keep apprised of this year's tour.

Because this is a judged event, we offer first-, second-, and third-place prizes of money or gift card. First place is a \$100 gift card to a home improvement store donated by Trustee Stewart Flaherty; second place is a \$50 gift card to Oakland Nursery donated by Bl@@ms Judge and Coordinator Sharon Ricker; and third place is \$35 cash donated by the HRAA, Inc. **Hoover Gardens** is also donating a coupon to each participant for a percent off a purchase. You will receive your coupon when we receive your completed application. Each participant is awarded a gift bag at the Gardeners' Reception. This is an easy, fun contest for gardeners to enter, and every participant wins something!

Questions? Call Pam Clegg at 891-9176 or Sharon Ricker at 891-1881.

—Pam Clegg, Huber Ridge Bl@@ms Coordinator

Shopping for Ridge-A-Palooza Vendors

It's not too soon to start thinking about Ridge-A-Palooza; in fact, planning has already begun for this annual summer-time event scheduled for Saturday, August 3, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. on the grounds of Faith Covenant Church on Dempsey Road. Although there are many fun things planned for this year, we will once again assemble the Ridge-A-Palooza MarketPlace where visitors can shop and local vendors can showcase their businesses and products. We are currently actively recruiting vendors to be a part of our MarketPlace. Any business can be in our MarketPlace, and we've had all kinds take part in the past such as crafters, direct marketing businesses, and local businesses. If you own your own business and would like to be a part of this year's event, please contact Carolyn Cordray at president@huberridge.org or 446-4020. Spaces are 10 feet long and just \$25. If you don't have your own table, we can provide one for an additional cost of \$10. Canopies are not included with the spaces, so you'll have to bring your own. If interested, we'll need to know the name of your business, the type of product, and if you need access to electricity. It has been our practice not to have vendors for duplicate businesses in our MarketPlace, which makes for a better experience for both shoppers and vendors alike.

—Carolyn Cordray, President

Silver Celebration Is Making History

The Silver party again had a spring theme despite being the weekend of St. Patrick's Day. Those "new" to the 25-year category were welcomed, everyone from 25 years to 52 years was introduced, and those who have been in the Ridge 51 and 52 years were celebrated! Most who came had enjoyed last year, so something is going right. The final number who attended was 42.

The table decorations of sapphire, silver, flowers, and jelly bean favors were designed by Lori Mann, Claudia Carney, and Marje Obrist and were skillfully placed by Julia Schantz, Anita Guiliani, and those listed above. The jelly beans which are now the traditional favors were assembled by Marje Obrist, Joya Neff, and Esther Cunliff. At the center of each place was a beautifully designed program with a silver logo and colored jelly beans! You probably have guessed that it was the idea and creation of our Association Newsletter Editor, Marje Obrist. What a delightful addition to this celebration!





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Roberta and Thom Conley again received reservations and logged them by the year the residents came into the Ridge. That allowed us to include the names of everyone on the program. But Roberta and Thom were not able to attend as they celebrated the "Irish Day" with their family. Byron Mann, John and Diane Ellis, and Jean Welch met everyone at the registration table with a smile and a special Silver Celebration name tag designed and printed by Claudia Carney.

The room was festive, but the merrymaking was the best part! Sharon Ricker's special-recipe punch, prepared and served by her, was enjoyed while conversations about past and present events were shared with old and new friends. The huge historical display of the 50 years of events in the Ridge, prepared and displayed by Almina Smock-Wiebell, has been since the first Silver Celebration a popular stimulus for memory-making. There are only a few in the Ridge who remember its 50+ years history. And no one who has the fervor and skill to bring it to a demonstration like Almina. Oh, Almina, you are amazing! Thank you!

There was a special table which presented two draft logos which were the Association's choices to replace the current one, as it needs to be updated and to include our incorporated status. Those attending were asked to vote on

which they thought was the best design. A logo was selected and will be shown in the summer newsletter.

The evening was opened by Joya Neff, who welcomed everyone, shared the plan for the evening, and introduced Pastor Craig Malcolm and his wife, Marilyn; Pastor Malcolm then offered the invocation.

The three-course meal was prepared by Claudia Carney, Lori Mann, and Joya Neff. The expert service was by Eric and Carolyn Cordray, Cindy Overholts, Julia Schantz, and Jean Welch with James Welch in charge of dinner beverages. Compliments were many; and leftovers, few.

Throughout the evening Bob Neff sought out delightful scenes of everyone enjoying themselves. He made it possible for us to save the memories of this special event for so many of our Association members.

After dinner, Gwenn Bair recognized those who are mentioned above and the "Silver" residents by the year they came into the Area. The original owners were acknowledged, also. We were sad that the member who was the first, by one month, Sue Mitchell, was unable to be with us due to a previous commitment. Next year, Sue! According to our records, there are only seven families who moved in in 1961 and are still here. We always need to remember that our dates and honors are gleaned from our membership only. Others may have moved in earlier; but if they are not members, we have no way of knowing.

Before the renewal of conversations, Joya Neff asked if anyone had special memories or comments for everyone. Some expressed their appreciation for the Celebration and shared stories of the past. Special comments were made about the poster display. Then it was time for the door prizes, which were donated by Claudia Carney and Joya Neff. The beautiful wrappings were artistic productions of Claudia. A prize was designated for someone at each table, so the scramble for who won began and is always fun.

Last but not least, special thanks go to Clean-Up Crew members Lori and Byron Mann and Claudia Carney joined by Cindy Overholts and Heather Robertson, who are officers in the PTA!

Last year we asked everyone to offer comments and suggestions about the Silver Celebration, and this year we tried to include them in the plans; we were unable to implement the ones asking us to move the date beyond March Madness, add music, and acquire a mike. We included comment cards for everyone again this year.

Thank you to everyone who gave so much of their time, energy, and ideas to make this an outstanding event to honor those who made our community the great one it is! I desperately hope that I have not missed thanking anyone who had a part in the Celebration. I would like to have named everyone present since it is you who have made this event possible.

—Joya Neff, Silver Celebration Coordinator

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4th Annual Silver Celebration

Were You There?



We registered; we drank punch; we enjoyed a fine dinner; we followed the program; we voted on a new logo for the HRAA, Inc.; we viewed the history of our neighborhood; we opened door prizes; and we visited!

—Bob Neff, Photographer

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Don't Let Medical Bills Break the Bank

One of the awful side effects of our slow economy is that many of us find ourselves without health insurance or inadequate insurance. While there are eligibility requirements, you may be surprised to find you or at least your children qualify for Medicaid. This is one of the most talked about but also least understood public assistance programs. There are many different categories under the umbrella of Medicaid that may assist groups of various ages, disabilities, and income. Among these different sub-programs are:

Medicaid ABD for older adults (65+) or people who are aged, blind, or disabled (as classified by the Social Security Administration).

Medicaid BCCP for eligible women in need of treatment for breast or cervical cancer including pre-cancerous conditions.

Healthchek for children up to the age of 18.

Home and Community Based Services Waivers, which allow people with disabilities and chronic conditions to receive care in their homes and communities instead of in long-term care facilities, hospitals, or intermediate care facilities.

Medicaid Buy In for Workers with Disability (MBIWD) is a program that provides health care coverage to working Ohioans with disabilities. MBIWD was created to encourage Ohioans with disabilities to work and still keep their health care coverage.

Healthy Start and Healthy Families are programs which provide eligible Ohio children, pregnant women, and families comprehensive health coverage.

Hospital Care Assurance Program (HCAP). Each state is required by federal law to have a Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) program. These programs are intended to ensure that uninsured individuals have access to hospital care. Ohio's DSH program is called the Hospital Care Assurance Program (HCAP). HCAP provides a payment to hospitals for providing uncompensated or charity care to low-income and uninsured individuals.

Assisted Living Waivers offer more supervision and services than what may be available in a traditional home setting and allows individuals to have more independence and fewer restrictions than a nursing facility.

The Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) emphasizes a holistic approach to medical care based on the philosophy that living within the community is best for the frail elderly and their families. PACE sites coordinate consumers' needs and streamline the care process with individualized care plans. PACE participants live in a variety of settings including nursing homes and adult group homes,

but most reside in their own communities.

—Claudia Carney, Secretary

Hit Report for HRAA, Inc. Website

Log on to huberridge.org to participate in the ever-popular "Discussion" page, to join other residents on the "Meet Your Neighbors" page, to keep up with community events on the "Pages & Docs" page, to look at back issues of *The Herald* on the "Newsletter" page, and more!

Here is the hit report for the last six months for our website:

October.....	15,853
November	9,924
December.....	10,005
January	11,746
February.....	9,469
March through the 21 st	6,615

Join the group entitled Huber Ridge Area Association on Facebook or write a letter to the Editor of *The Herald*; let us hear your views!

—Marje Obrist, Newsletter Editor



Editorial Guidelines for the Publication of THE HERALD

Purpose

The Herald is published quarterly by the Huber Ridge Area Association, Inc. (HRAA, Inc.) for the purpose of informing the members and potential members of the Huber Ridge Area Association, Inc. of the activities, concerns, and achievements of the HRAA, Inc. The HRAA, Inc. 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 summer issue of *The Herald*, please contact Marje Obrist at 891-6944 or at editor@huberridge.org.

A New Record for the Most New Members in Any Quarter Since More Than A Year Ago

Please welcome these new members and let them know we are glad they chose to show they care enough about our community to be involved. They will also be connected to the "goings on" in the Area.

- 👤 Angie Courtright, 5900 Cairo
- 👤 Evelyn Gardner, 3693 Managua
- 👤 Bill and Judy Garling, 6334 Saddle East
- 👤 Marcia Peabody, 5940 Bangasi
- 👤 Michael and Susan Ridge, 3451 Dahlgreen
- 👤 Denver and Mary Santee, 5623 Buenos Aires
- 👤 Julia Schantz, 3461 Rangoon

Although we have been unfortunate enough to lose a few members as they pass away or move, our numbers have increased to 224. Last year at this time, we had 219.

The following homes were purchased this quarter:

- 👤 Bernard Chao, 3518 Paris
- 👤 Jennifer Cleaver, 5944 Bangasi
- 👤 Amanda DeLong, 3654 Mexico
- 👤 Julia Schantz, 3461 Rangoon
- 👤 Kevin and Jennifer Shields, 3539 Makassar
- 👤 Stephen Short, 3662 Manila

Then there were three homes that went into foreclosure:

- 👤 3442 Saigon, Fanny Mae
- 👤 3412 Dempsey, Chase
- 👤 3451 Paris, Ohio State Bank

—Joya Neff, Membership Coordinator

HUBER RIDGE AREA ASSOCIATION, INC. MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name(s) of adult(s) _____

Address _____

Phone number(s) _____

Email _____

Membership dues are \$15 per household. Dues are for a 12-month period and may be paid at any time throughout the year. You can bring your dues to a meeting or mail them to Thom Conley, 3533 Makassar Drive, Westerville, OH 43081 or call him at 882-5252. Checks are to be made payable to the Huber Ridge Area Association, Inc.

Here's What's Happening in the Ridge!

**Put these
dates
on
your
calendar!**



- April 4.....HRAA, Inc. Meeting at FAITH COVENANT CHURCH at 7:00 p.m.
- April 4-6.....Large Indoor Garage Sale at the Blendon Senior Center from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
on the 4th and 5th and from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the 6th
- April 10.....Blendon Township Trustees Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 6:30 p.m.
- April 18.....HRAA, Inc. Executive Committee Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 7:00 p.m.
- April 19-21.....Beautify Blendon Days in Blendon Township
- April 24.....Blendon Township Trustees Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 6:30 p.m.
- April 25.....Block Watch Training at the Blendon Senior Center at 7:00 p.m.
- May 2.....HRAA, Inc. Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 7:00 p.m.
- May 8.....Blendon Township Trustees Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 6:30 p.m.
- May 11.....8th Annual HRAA, Inc. Plant Swap in Ridgewood Park from 10:00 a.m. to noon
- May 16.....HRAA, Inc. Executive Committee Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 7:00 p.m.
- May 22.....Blendon Township Trustees Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 6:30 p.m.
- May 27.....Memorial Day Ceremony and Picnic at Blendon Central Cemetery at 11:00 a.m.
- June 5.....Blendon Township Trustees Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 6:30 p.m.
- June 6.....HRAA, Inc. Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 7:00 p.m.
- June 14.....Summer Concert in Ridgewood Park: NEW!
- June 15.....Summer Community Garage Sale in Huber Ridge from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- June 19.....Blendon Township Trustees Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 6:30 p.m.
- June 20.....HRAA, Inc. Executive Committee Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 7:00 p.m.
- July 11.....HRAA, Inc. Meeting at the Blendon Senior Center at 7:00 p.m.: CHANGED DATE!
- July 13.....Summer Concert in Ridgewood Park: NEW!
- July 14.....Huber Ridge Blooms Show in Huber Ridge from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- August 3.....Ridge-A-Palooza at Faith Covenant Church from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- September 14.....Summer Concert in Ridgewood Park: NEW!