



# INDIAN HILL

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# BULLETIN

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### **COUNCIL ACTIONS** **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING** **February 28, 2011**

Approved a renewal application by Robert Gray Edmiston, Trustee to designate a 123.41 acre parcel located at 7550 Given Road as an Agricultural District. This parcel is part of the 230 acre Turner Farm operation.

Approved a new application by Robert Gray Edmiston, Trustee to designate a combination of parcels totaling 107 acres also located at or near 7550 Given Road as an Agricultural District. These parcels are also part of the 230 acre Turner Farm operation.

Second reading of an ordinance declaring the official intent of the City of the Village of Indian Hill for the Water Works Operating and Maintenance Fund to reimburse the Capital

Improvement Reserve Fund monies used to improve the water supply to the northern area of the Village of Indian Hill. **(Third reading scheduled for March 21, 2011)**

Second reading of an ordinance amending Section 51.26 of the Code of Ordinances by deleting Attachment "A" thereto and substituting a new Attachment "A". **(Third reading scheduled for March 21, 2011)**

Passage of a resolution authorizing the manager to employ an engineer to prepare plans and specifications for street rehabilitation, Water Works improvement projects, and other special capital improvement projects, advertise for bids and award contracts for the construction of said work.

### **PLANNING COMMISSION** **REGULAR MEETING** **ACTIONS** **February 15, 2011**

- Revised exterior parking lot lighting at the Ranger/Administration Building under the continuing jurisdiction of the Planning Commission.

### **ONLINE BILL PAYMENT** **NOW AVAILABLE**

Residents and customers can now make payments online. This service is a free bill payment service for alarm monitoring, boat storage, bridle trail membership, gun club membership, extra pickups, water bills, or any other account you may have with the Village. For residents with multiple accounts, payments can be made with one user ID. One time payments can be made, or you can sign up for payments to be deducted from your bank account on their due date automatically. This service allows for secure electronic transfer of payments from your bank account. To sign up for this service, log on to the Village's website at [ihill.org](http://ihill.org) and click on the link on the homepage or go to [ihill.org/billpay](http://ihill.org/billpay).

### **Village of Indian Hill Public Meeting Dates** **All meetings held in Council Chambers** **March 2011**

Green Areas Advisory Comm	5:30 p.m. March 2
Recreation Commission	7:30 p.m. March 7
Planning Commission	7:00 p.m. March 15
Mayor's Court/Council Meeting	6:00 p.m. March 21

### **April 2011**

Recreation Commission	7:30 p.m. April 4
Green Areas Advisory Comm	5:30 p.m. April 6
Special Mayor's Court	6:00 p.m. April 11
Planning Commission	7:00 p.m. April 19
Mayor's Court/Council Meeting	6:00 p.m. April 25



**The first day  
of Spring is  
March 20th!**

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**FOR NEXT ISSUE**  
**MARCH 18, 2011**

# THE VILLAGE OF INDIAN HILL, OHIO

## ARMSTRONG CHAPEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

5125 Drake Road  
 Cincinnati, Ohio 45243—561-4220  
[www.armstrongchapel.org](http://www.armstrongchapel.org)  
 Greg Stover, Senior Pastor  
 Nathan Custer, Associate Pastor  
 Stanley Lawrence, Associate Pastor  
 Melanie Stearns, Dir. Ed & Spiritual Formation  
 8:20 a.m. Traditional Worship in Old Chapel  
 9:40 a.m. Traditional Worship in Sanctuary  
 11:11 a.m. Contemporary Worship in Worship Ctr.  
 Adult Christian Education at 8:20, 9:40, 10:00  
 & 11:00  
 Student Christian Education at 9:40  
 Children's Christian Education at 9:40 & 11:00  
 Nursery care provided at 9:40 & 11:00  
 Student Ministries on Wed. at 7:00 p.m.

## THE INDIAN HILL CHURCH

Episcopal-Presbyterian  
 6000 Drake Road  
 Telephone: 561-6805  
[www.indianhillchurch.org](http://www.indianhillchurch.org)  
 Reverend Anne Wriener, Episcopal Rector  
 David Hawley, Presbyterian Pastor  
 Michelle Metcalf, Youth Director  
 Ann Pardue, Christian Education Director  
**Worship Schedule**  
 8:00 a.m. Episcopal Holy Eucharist  
 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship  
 (Presbyterian and Episcopal services on alternating Sundays)  
**Education for Children Childcare**

## CINCINNATI FRIENDS MEETING

8075 Keller Road—791-0788  
[www.cincinnati-friends.org](http://www.cincinnati-friends.org)  
 Donne Hayden, Interim Pastor  
**SUNDAY:**  
 Meeting for Worship 11:00 a.m.  
 Children's Sunday School 11:00 a.m.  
 (Carry-in lunch every first Sunday of the month; business meeting every second Sunday)  
 Nursery and childcare provided

## SONRISE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Office: 203 Mill Street, Milford, Ohio 45150  
 Phone: 576-6000, Church Services located at Mariemont High School  
 3812 Pocahontas Ave., Mariemont, Ohio  
 Jeff Arington, Pastor  
 Schedule of Sunday Services  
 10:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship and Children's Program  
 Childcare provided for all services

## HORIZON COMMUNITY CHURCH

6905 Given Road, Cincinnati County Day High School Theater 272-5800  
 Office: 7800 Laurel Ave., Madeira  
 Chad Hovind, Teaching Pastor  
 Schedule of Sunday Service  
 9:15 a.m. Worship Service 10:30 a.m. Horizon Classic Service—Separate programs specifically designed for newborn through high school seniors

## GREENACRES ARTS CENTER

8400 Blome Road, 45243  
 513-793-2787

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891-1873

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Kari Zenni

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## NEXT ISSUE OF BULLETIN

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Please note that all copy for that issue must be submitted by 4:30 p.m.

ON MARCH 18, 2011

## ST. GERTRUDE PARISH

Miami Ave. & Shawnee Run Rd.  
 Church 561-5954  
 School 561-8020

Religious Education 561-8369  
[www.stgertrude.org](http://www.stgertrude.org)

Fr. Andre-Jesoph LaCasse, O.P. Pastor  
 Sister Mary Sheila, O.P. Principal  
 Shari Siebert, Dir. of Religious Education  
 Mass Schedule:

Daily: 7:00, 8:00 & 11:30 a.m.  
 Saturday: 4:30 p.m.  
 Sunday: 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.  
 12:30 & 6:00 p.m.

## THE INDIAN HILL CLUB

### SWIM & TENNIS

Dot Lane off Shawnee Run Road  
 Across from St. Gertrude, [www.ihclub.com](http://www.ihclub.com)



The Education Committee of the GAAC is looking for volunteers who love bluebirds to build, install and maintain bluebird houses in our green spaces throughout the Village. Below please find instructions on how to build a bluebird house.

### **HOW TO BUILD A BLUEBIRD HOUSE**

Things you will need: Saw, 48" long 1 x 6 cedar or pine board, drill, 3/8" and 1/8" drill bits, hammer and nails, sandpaper, tape measure, gray or tan paint, pole for mounting and clamps.

1. Mark off 2 8" pieces from your 1 x 6 board. These pieces will be used to make one of the side pieces and the front.
2. Measure off and mark a second piece for the side to a length of 7 7/8". Because of the shorter length of this board, there will be room for the side to pivot.
3. Mark an 8 1/4" piece from the board to make the roof.
4. Mark off a 4" piece that will become the floor.
5. Mark off the remaining piece to 11". This piece will make the back of the bluebird house.
6. Cut the pieces out carefully using a compound miter saw, jigsaw or hand saw.
7. Drill 3/8" holes into the floor piece of your birdhouse for drainage. Also, drill 2 holes (3/8") at the top of 2 of your side pieces in order to provide ventilation.
8. Cut a 1 1/2" hole in the front piece for the entryway. The hole should be centered and 2" down from the top.
9. Nail the floor piece to the back piece. Nail the longer side piece on. Align pieces and nail on the front piece. Attach your last piece (which will be the shorter side), using only one nail on either side at an equal height. You should leave 1/8" clearance from the top. This will allow the bottom of this side to give you access to CLEAN the house.
10. Nail the roof on the stationary side, back and front, leaving the roof unattached at the pivoting side.
11. Drill a 1/8" hole from the front into the pivoting side, close to the bottom of the piece of wood. This will be used to slide a nail into it and out of it to lock the side closed.
12. Finish up by painting your house a light gray or tan color, if you wish. Mount the birdhouse 4' to 6' high with a nail or other fastener, pointing the entrance towards the closest large tree or shrub. Bluebirds like open or lightly wooded country. Pastures with wooded draws or scattered trees are ideal.

### **TIPS**

- If you install more than one birdhouse, be sure to mount them at least 100 yards apart. Bluebirds are quite territorial and won't use the houses if they are too close together.
- As soon as you know the young have left the nest, clean out the house and make any necessary repairs. Repairs should be made every February.
- Keep other species out of the boxes. Tear out the nests and plug the hole temporarily until they move on to another location.
- Use an inverted metal cone or metal sleeve to help deter predators from the bluebird house. (Much like a squirrel baffle on a birdfeeder).
- If the entrance hole is too rough, sand it using a medium grade sandpaper.
- Before nailing on the roof, test your pivot piece to ensure there is enough room for it to work properly.
- Bluebirds usually begin nesting in the first half of March. They lay from 3 to 6 eggs, and incubation is about 14 days. Young birds fly about 6 days after hatching. Two and three broods per year are common.

I hope some of you bird lovers will give making a bluebird house a try and consider installing one in any of our wonderful green spaces. Happy Blue Birding.

## VILLAGE EMPLOYEES CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF SERVICE



**Chuck Willenbrink** - Chuck has worked in our Collection Division for 20 Years and has provided exceptional service to the Village residents. Chuck was also a key player in the mapping and trimming of bridle trails during his years of service. Chuck has taken on many responsibilities when called upon for his service in the Public Works Department.



**Eric Weiss** - Eric has been in all divisions of the Public Works Department. Eric is currently in the Street Division. He is one of our primary Salt Truck Drivers and has spent many hours over his career keeping the roadways safe for the Village residents. Eric is also one of our primary operators on the big green machine, keeping the right-of-ways trimmed back along with other responsibilities.



**Mike Rankin** - Mike has been in all divisions of the Public Works Department. Mike currently works in the maintenance and cleaning of all park facilities and Public Works/Water Works facilities. Mike has also been a part of other services in his career with the Village such as tree trimming, bridle trails, blacktop, & snow removal.



**Dave Smith** - Dave has been a part of the recycling division, parks, and currently is in the street division. His current role is one of our primary Salt Truck Drivers and has also spent many hours behind the wheel keeping the roadways safe for the Village residents. Dave works in blacktop repair, tree & brush removal along with other responsibilities within the department.



**Ken Allen** - Ken works in the Water Works Division. Ken has been a part of all facets of the Water Department. His current responsibilities are plant operations and work orders. He is a class 3 operator. Ken has been a key member of the upgrades of the meter reading.



**Jerry Hensley** - Jerry has filled a role in all divisions of the Public Works Department. Jerry was promoted to crew leader in 2004. He was then again promoted in 2007 to the Supervisor of Parks & Recreation and Buildings & Grounds. He has many responsibilities which include making sure that all the needs are met for maintaining Buildings & Grounds, recreation fields and parks, bridle trails, green areas maintenance, and supervising the crews during the winter snow events.



## Fire Hydrant Flushing

Each spring, the Indian Hill Water Works in conjunction with the Madeira/Indian Hill Fire Department conducts the annual fire hydrant flushing program. The flushing program is very important in maintaining the operation of our water system. Hydrant flushing enhances water quality by removing sediment from the water mains, verifies proper operation of the hydrants and ensures firefighting capability.

If you see a crew flushing a hydrant on your street, avoid running tap water and using the washing machine or dishwasher until the flushing process is complete. In addition, please treat this like any other work zone and drive carefully when encountering one of our work crews.

This year our flushing program will begin on March 14 and will continue for six weeks. Water Works crews will be posting signs at intersections to inform residents of flushing in their area.

### Hydrant Flushing Purposes

- Verifies that fire hydrants are working properly.
- Flushes sediment from water mains.
- Checks for closed valves and weak flows in our water system.
- Verifies fire flows.
- Improves water quality.

### Helpful Hints During Hydrant Flushing

- There may be a temporary drop in water pressure.
- Water may become rusty or cloudy. Discolored water is not harmful. This discolored water will clear up within a few hours.
- Avoid washing laundry during scheduled flushing times. Wait until cold water runs clear at the tap, then wash a load of dark clothes first.
- If pressure or volume seems low, check your faucet screens for trapped particles.
- Avoid running hot water until cold water tap runs clear. If hot water is discolored after cold water tap is clear, run hot water tap to allow hot water tank to clear. Hot water tanks can hold discolored water for some time after the cold water runs clear.

### Hydrant Flushing Frequently Asked Questions

**Why Is Hydrant Flushing Necessary?** Hydrant flushing enhances water quality by flushing sediment from the water mains. Flushing also verifies the proper operation of hydrants and maintains firefighting capability.

### What Should I Do After Hydrant Flushing?

- If tap water is used during flushing, it could come out full of sediment that causes discoloration. If you encounter discolored water, shut the water off and wait several minutes. After waiting, check the clarity by running cold water for a few minutes allowing new water to work its way into your pipes. If the water is clear it is OK to use. If not; wait a few minutes and check again. In some cases, there may be a slight discoloration for a few hours. This discoloration only affects the appearance of the water; it does not affect the water quality.
- Avoid washing laundry during scheduled flushing times. Wait until the cold water runs clear at the tap, then wash a load of dark clothes first.
- If pressure or volume seems low, check your faucet screens for trapped particles.

### Why Does My Water Look Funny After Hydrant Flushing?

When a hydrant is opened, there will be incidences of discolored water while fine sediment particles are flushed out. There is no health hazard associated with the discolored water. Allow a few hours for discoloration to dissipate. To verify water is clear, run your cold water for a few minutes.

### Who Do I Call If I My Water Just Won't Clear Up?

If discolored water persists for more than a few hours, please contact the billing office at 561-6679.

### Hydrant Flushing Schedule

#### **March 14 through March 18**

Alberly, Buckingham, Cunningham, Drewry Farm, Fox Hollow, Given (between Terrace Park & Cunningham), Hawk Ridge, Holly Hill, Kroger Farm, Kugler Mill (between Camp Dennison & Camargo), Meadow Grove, Miralake, Park, Redbirdhollow, Shawnee Ridge, Shawnee Run (between S.R. 126 & Drake), Whitegate, Wyman

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**March 21 through March 25**

Arapaho, Beech Trail, Blue Cut, Camargo, Camargo Pines, Deep Run, Drake (between Shawnee Run & Camargo), Given (north of Camargo), Keller (between Given & Loveland Madeira), Old Hickory, Old Stable, Pipewell, Post & Rail, Spooky Hollow (between Given & Loveland Madeira), Tangle Ridge;

**March 28 through April 1**

Adams, Ahwenasa, Camargo Club, Chinquapin, Chumani, Crabtree, Demar, Drake (between Indian Hill & Shawnee Run), Druwood, Graves (between Drake & Miami), Graves Lake, Greylock, Hunters Trail, Loan Oak, Marblehead, Miami (between Shawnee Run & water tower), Mohican, North Clippinger, Peregrine, Rettig, Sentinel Ridge, Shadyglen, Shawnee Pines, Shawnee Run (between Drake & Miami), South Clippinger, Sugarun, Surryhill, Towhee, Tupelo;

**April 4 through April 8**

Beaufort Hunt, Blome, Bridgewater, Calderwood, Creekside, Deer Crossing, Eagle Ridge, Finley, Fox Cub, Hoff-

man Farm, Keller (west of Blome), Kugler Mill (west of Loveland Madeira), Larking, Loveland Madeira, Manor Hill, Perin, Ravenswalk, Remington, Sleepy Hollow, Spiritwood, Spooky Hollow (west of Loveland Madeira), Spooky Ridge, Stirrup Cup, Tall Trail;

**April 11 through April 15**

Algonquin, Annesdale, Beacon Hill, Brill, Burley Hills, Camaridge, Camaridge Place, Cayuga, Drake (south of Indian Hill), Eustisfarm, Foxgate, Graves (west of Miami), Hilltop, Indian Heights, Indian Hill (west of Drake), Indian Run, Indian Trail, Miami (south of water tower), Muchmore, Muchmore Point, Rock Hill, Sanderson, Sorrel, Summerhouse, Taft Place, Tecumseh, Varner, Walnut Woods;

**April 18 through April 22**

Brill (between Drake & Miami), Brillwood, Councilrock, Graves (between Miami & Pamlico), Greydonmeadow, Hobbit, Indian Hill (east of Drake), Indian Ridge, Ivy Farm, Noel, Old Indian Hill, Pamlico, Red Fox, Stonebarn, Walton Creek, Waring, William Henry Harrison, Willow Hills.

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**Crime Prevention 101...**

As I have done the past few years, I wanted to take an opportunity to give everyone a quick snapshot of police activity within the Village during 2010. This information was obtained through checking reports and other logs used by the police department. The information presented is believed to be accurate, but depending on updated reports, offenses found not to be what they really were (ex. possible reported theft turned out to be a lost/found article), there may be minor changes in the numbers. The following offenses are only a portion of the reports generated during the past year.

**For 2010, there were a total of 398 Case Reports and 158 Accident Reports.**

- Burglary Cases – 6
- Juvenile Cases - 20
- Theft Cases – 56
- Wanted Persons (Indian Hill Mayors Court) - 54
- Motor Vehicle Thefts – 0
- Wanted Persons (Other Agencies) - 41
- Drug Cases – 15
- Driving Under Suspension - 21
- OVI (DUI) – 20
- General Information Reports – 86

This past year, the Rangers responded to about 1,022 burglary alarms. This number is up from 2009's 915. These are just the alarms police responded to. Beyond this, the dispatchers answered alarm drops in the thou-

sands that are a result of accidentally being set off, or false alarms not requiring an officer to respond. In 2008, there were about 1,170 alarms and in 2007, about 1,175 responded to. Only one (1) of the alarms received in 2010 was a confirmed burglary. The remaining were false alarms that resulted in the dispatch and response of a Ranger to the residence. These responses resulted in approx. 341 total man hours (using about 20 minutes for response, house check, and clearing the scene. Some alarm times are longer, others shorter, depending on the residence and what is found upon arrival. Most alarms are handled by a single Officer). There were 6 reported burglary cases in 2010. As stated earlier, only 1 of the reported burglaries was reported to the Rangers as a result of an alarm. This means there was no alarm in the residence or the alarm was not turned on, for the other five (5). A couple of these burglary cases were solved and the subjects were arrested and prosecuted. The Rangers cannot stress enough, the importance of using your alarm system if you have one and to consider the installation of one if you do not.

Theft cases speak for themselves. These generally take place in a home under construction occupied or unoccupied, at the school, from parked motor vehicles, etc. We continue to see incidents involving thefts from open garages or unsecured items outside of the residence. Most of the items taken in this circumstance were tools or lawn

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equipment.

The juvenile cases refer to incidents resulting in a report where a juvenile is involved such as underage consumption, drugs, disorderly conduct, etc.

Looking at traffic related incidents, there were about 648 traffic citations issued, 2,126 traffic warnings, (23% of the total traffic contacts in 2010 resulted in a citation), 158 automobile crashes, down from 168 in 2009, and 16 were deer related, 20 OVI's (DUI) and 21 Driving Under Suspensions. One OVI resulted in a Blood Alcohol Content (BAC) of .277% BAC, which is over 3 times the legal limit of .08% BAC.

The wanted persons usually result from traffic stops, especially the Wanted Person Other Agency. The Wanted Person (Indian Hill Mayors Court) are warrants that are issued from Indian Hill Mayor's Court, mostly for Failure to Appear or Failure to Comply. These arrests generally result from traffic stops or contact from other police agencies.

The listed stats reflect only a portion of the reports and police activity that the Rangers are actively involved in. It is important for all of us to recognize that many of our residents assist the Rangers in different ways. Several of our arrests are attributed to good witnesses and the reporting of crimes in a timely manner from residents. **\*\* We cannot express enough, that if you suspect a crime may have been committed, it needs to be reported A S A P.\*\*** Waiting a few hours, days, or even weeks in some cases does not help in a successful resolution of your case. We would rather rule out a case as opposed to being behind on an investigation.

It is very important to be vigilant in your security effort. Be sure to use your alarm all the time, even for quick trips away from the home. If you have an alarm,

make sure that it is in good working order. If there have been several false alarms, or it has not been serviced in the past five years, you probably want the alarm system to be checked. Please make sure all your contact information is current with the Rangers. ***If you accidentally set off your alarm, please make every attempt to quickly call the Rangers to notify us of the false alarm.*** If there are any changes in home or cell phone numbers, or local contacts be sure to call us so we can keep our system up to date. If you are new to the Village and have never received a "New Resident Packet", stop by the station to pick one up.

Traffic complaints continue to be an issue. The biggest complaint remains to be speeding. We cannot stress enough the need to slow down and follow all traffic laws. In general, the speed limit is **35 MPH**. Some streets may be slower, but there are none that are faster. In 2010, I was able to find the following speeds to be the fastest, 76mph in a 35mph zone, 55mph in a 25mph zone and 48mph in a 20mph school zone. These are all well over double the posted limits on your residential streets and in your child(rens) school zones.

As the Crime Prevention Officer for the police department, I try to keep up on what is going on in the community and want to relay any information to the public in a timely manner. We are always looking for better ways to serve the residents of Indian Hill. If you have any suggestions on ways we can improve our communication with you, I want to hear about it. Please call or e-mail me with any of your suggestion(s).

If there are any questions about this article or any Crime Prevention topic, please feel free to contact me at 561-7000 or [www.crimeprevention@ihill.org](mailto:www.crimeprevention@ihill.org).

Ptl. Dean Ramsey  
Crime Prevention Officer

### Indian Hill Women's Civic Club

This club started out many years ago with an active membership not to exceed 35. However, membership is slowly decreasing due to many snowbirds whom we call inactive members. By May, all are back again.

Meanwhile, all programs continue to be fun and informative and our members always look forward to see one another again plus meet new visitors.

February 23, 2011 was all about the Cincinnati Museum Center.

March 23, 2011 at Noon, hear about books, the Kindle, and the iPad from Joseph Beth Booksellers.

April 27, 2011 at Noon, we'll go to Blue Ash to tour Matthew 25 Ministry, followed by a box lunch.

So come one, come all for any of these or all events. You'll have fun. Call Rose 271-8681 or Ester 561-9133 for your RSVP.

### Indian Hill Tea Party Meeting

Guest speakers: State Senator Shannon Jones and State Representative Ron Maag

Find out why over 300 tea partiers rallied at the state capitol! Senator Shannon Jones and Representative Ron Maag will discuss what's being done to solve the budget crisis in Ohio, including efforts to fundamentally change Ohio's collective bargaining laws for government workers.

All are welcome! Indian Hill Primary School Auditorium at 7:30 p.m. on March 14th

## Indian Hill School District's Annual Report Available Online

The Indian Hill Exempted Village School District is pleased to announce that our 2009-2010 annual report is now available on the District's website.

In an ongoing effort to be environmentally friendly and fiscally responsible, we have opted not to print this year's

annual report. We invite you to view a copy online at [www.ih.k12.oh.us](http://www.ih.k12.oh.us).

Please feel free to contact the Board of Education office if you would like to receive a printed copy.

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## Indian Hill High School Conducts National Search for High School Principal

The Indian Hill Exempted Village School District will be conducting a national search for the position of High School principal for the 2011-2012 school year.

The District will be seeking input from the school community on key characteristics desired in the next principal. A survey will be emailed to District parents and available on the District's website in early February.

Effron & Associates, an educational consulting firm will serve as the District's search consultant. Candidates should

submit a cover letter, updated resume, and contact information for two references to Roger Effron at [roger@effronassociates.com](mailto:roger@effronassociates.com). Materials are due by March 4, 2011.

For further information:  
Martha Carroll Stephen  
Indian Hill Board Office  
513-272-4505  
[Martha.stephen@ih.k12.oh.us](mailto:Martha.stephen@ih.k12.oh.us)

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## Indian Hill Middle School Theatre presents *Schoolhouse Rock Live Jr.*

A pop culture musical phenomenon will be presented at the Indian Hill Auditorium this March! *Schoolhouse Rock Live Jr.* is an energetic, colorful, fast-paced musical with zany, loveable characters that also happens to be educational. The Indian Hill Middle School Theatre will be showcasing *Schoolhouse Rock Live Jr.* on March 18th and 19th. Directed by Heather Koester and Emily Martin with choreography by Meghan Lawson, this captivating musical will surely be enjoyed by the entire family.

The Emmy Award-winning 1970s Saturday morning car-

toon series that taught history, grammar, math, science, and politics through clever, tuneful songs such as "Unpack Your Adjectives" and "Three is a Magic Number," has been transformed to light up the Indian Hill stage. So mark your calendars!

All seats are reserved. The price is \$6 in advance and \$7 at the door. To order tickets please visit [www.ih.k12.oh.us/MS/MSTheatre](http://www.ih.k12.oh.us/MS/MSTheatre). Showtime is 7 p.m. on March 18th and 19th. Box office opens at 6p.m. on show dates.

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## Cincinnati Country Day School Student Tapped for All-State Orchestra

Cincinnati Country Day School junior Domenic DiFrancesco of Indian Hill represented CCDS as a member of the Ohio All-State Orchestra. Top players in each region of the state qualify to participate. Domenic serves as principal violist of the orchestra, chosen by audition. Performance details were as follows:

Friday, January 28, 8:15 p.m.  
Convention Center Grand Ballroom,

Cincinnati  
Robert Cashin, Conductor

### PROGRAM

The Star Spangled Banner. . . .Smith,  
arr. Livingston Gearhard  
Capriccio Espagnol Op.34. . . .Rimski-  
Korsakov  
Our Town (from the Film Score). . .  
Aaron Copland  
Sinfonische Metamorphosen. . . .Paul  
Hindemith



## Country Day Senior Named NSCAA All-American Scholar Athlete



Alexandra McInturf, a senior at Cincinnati Country Day, was named to the Girls High School Soccer Scholar All-East team. The National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) announced their All-American teams with the East team covering the states of New York, New Jersey,

West Virginia, Maine, Connecticut, and Ohio.

A four year varsity starter and senior captain, Alex earned All-City honors as a senior and was a member of the Miami Valley Conference All-League team for four years. She is also an AP Scholar with Distinction and a 2011 National Merit Finalist. Alex is the daughter of Michael and Lynn McInturf of Indian Hill.

## Cincinnati Country Day School Names Director of Annual Giving



Heather Kaufman has been named Cincinnati Country Day's new Director of Annual Giving. She began her new position January 4, 2011. She was previously the Director of Stewardship and Donor Relations at Miami University. In her role at Miami she was responsible for overseeing all aspects of gift acknowledgement, endowment reporting, the report of donors and lifetime giving societies. In addition she coordinated with the Annual Giving and Major Gift Development Officers to communicate with donors and volunteers about the impact of their gifts. Heather also staffed the Stewardship Committee of the University's Foundation Board and the Committee on

the Naming of Campus Facilities.

Prior to her career in development she was a staff attorney for the Indiana State Department of Health, The Indiana State Department of Revenue, and a law clerk for Judge Robert Kraft in the Hamilton County Court of Common Pleas. Mrs. Kaufman has her Juris Doctor from the University of Cincinnati and her undergraduate degree from Miami University in Speech Communication.

Mrs. Kaufman is a native Cincinnatian. She resides in Columbia Township with her husband Jim, and their three children: T.J, Liam, and Cate.

## Ten Country Day seniors named National Merit Finalists

Cincinnati Country Day announced today that for the second year in a row, ten seniors have been named National Merit Finalists. The selection of 10 Country Day students represents 18.9 % of the 53-member senior class. Overall, more than 36% of the senior class was recognized by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

Upon initially learning of the news, Mrs. Stephanie Luebers, Upper School Head commented, "Ten National Merit finalists, for the second consecutive year, is a huge accomplishment for our program but more importantly is a tribute to the hard work of our students, and the dedication of our teachers. Country Day is truly a partnership between students, families, and our faculty, and I am very proud of our students' success." More than 1.5 million students in 22,000 high schools entered the competition. Of these, only about 15,000 advance to the finalist level or about 1%.

Country Day's National Merit Finalists are: Ali Breneman (Anderson), Jules Cantor (Indian Hill), Lilly Fleischmann

(Indian Hill), Ilana Habib (Indian Hill), Jordan Komnick (Milford), Alexandra McInturf (Indian Hill), Kevin McSwiggen (Indian Hill), Cody Pomeranz (Indian Hill), Baldur Tangvald (Terrace Park), and Amanda Young (Indian Hill).



Photo: Pictured are Front Row: Cody Pomeranz, Ilana Habib, Jordan Komnick, Baldur Tangvald, Alexandra McInturf Back Row: Amanda Young, Lilly Fleischmann, Ali Breneman, Kevin McSwiggen, and Jules Cantor

## IHHS Swim and Dive Team compete in the CHL Championships

On January 28th and 29th, 2011, the IHHS Swim and Dive team proved that they are on the move in the CHL League. Competing in the CHL Championships, the Braves scored many great successes in both dive and swimming events. The highlights of the meet included Elizabeth Heinbach (Junior - Indian Hill) and Mack Rice (Junior - Indian Hill) each being named the CHL swimmer of the meet, and IHHS Coach Gretchen Bloomstrom being named CHL coach of the year!

Highlights of the meet were Cassie Wegryn taking 1st place in the diving competition; several 2 event winners - Hannah Vester (100 fly and 200 free); Elizabeth Heinbach (200 IM and 500 free); Alexandra Tracy (100 back and 50 free); Mack Rice (100 Fly and 200 IM), and single event winners Rachel McGoff (100 free), the relay team of Hannah Vester, Rachel McGoff, Elizabeth Heinbach and Alexandra Tracy (400 Free) and Mack Rice, Noah Brackenbury, Drew Rice and chase them down Will Brackenbury (200 Medley). Both Alexandra Tracy (100 Back) and Mack Rice (200 IM) set new league records at the meet.

All team members swam extremely well, with many personal best times recorded. This years team is incredibly strong because of the depth of talent on the team and the great team spirit that is shown by all. There are swimmers that scored points for the team from 1st to 20th place. Overall, IHHS girls placed 2nd behind Wyoming by a meager 20 points. It took the efforts of the whole team to accomplish such as feat. The girls won 7 out of 8 events at the meet and had many swimmers scoring points in all of the races. The coaches are extremely proud of the team's performance, and look forward to the rest of the season with Sectionals in Mason, Districts in Miami and then the State meet in Canton, Ohio in late February. GO BRAVES!!!

CHL Swimmers of the meet Mack Rice & Elizabeth Heinbach with CHL Coach of the Year Gretchen Bloomstrom



## Open Your Heart dinner at Merlot's Is feast of Love for Stepping Stones

A sell-out crowd of 250 feasted on filet mignon and Black Tie scallops at the third annual Open Your Heart for Stepping Stones Valentine dinner at Eddie Merlot's on Feb. 8.

The evening was a feast of romantic gestures, from wine toasts to a gallery of love-inspired original paintings to his-and-her raffle prizes, all creating one huge Valentine for Stepping Stones Center's programs for children and adults with disabilities. On each table, guests found fortune cookies filled with words of love by everyone from Shakespeare to Doris Day. Silver hearts held photos of Stepping Stones participants.

Event Chair Mary McGraw of Indian Hill welcomed guests.

The gallery paintings, at \$20 each, were by participants in the adult services program and sold briskly. Melissa Courtney of Mason purchased a jumble of letters spelling out "Smooch" in hot pink. "It's a Valentine gift for my husband," she said. "A big Smooch."

Beth and Bill Carroll of Indian Hill won the his and her bicycles donated by Montgomery Cyclery. They rode the bikes in a victory lap around the restaurant as friends cheered. Geoff and Lisa Covert of Montgomery won the his and her jewelry by D'Elegante and gifts from Hunt Club Clothiers and Khaki's. Geoff Covert is senior vice president of retail operations for Kroger, which was a dinner sponsor. Sarah and Jonathan Evans of Hyde Park

won the Valentine bouquet painting of peonies by Indian Hill artist Karen Rolfes.

Sponsors were The Kroger Company, Eddie Merlot's, The Cincinnati Enquirer, Fifth Third Capital Markets, Graydon Head, Convalescent Hospital for Children, Gail and Fred Fischer, Vallie and Rodney Geier, R.G. McGraw Insurance Agency, Ohio National Financial Services, Kenzie's Closet and Debbie and Rich Oliver.

The Open Your Heart dinner is one of three fund raising events supporting Stepping Stones, a 47-year-old United Way partner agency serving individuals with disabilities. The other events are the Flying Pig marathon team and the Bloom outdoor garden party on Sept. 10.



Bike Winners: Beth and Bill Carroll of Indian Hill won the his and her Townie bicycles donated by Montgomery Cyclery.

## Dance Educators of America Competition January 22 & 23, 2011 A Great Success

The students of Mrs. Rosenthal, Director of Keep on Dancing Ballet and Modern Jazz Studio attended the DEA Dance Competition in Ft. Mitchell, KY. The following are the awards that they won:

- 9 gold trophies
- 4-1<sup>st</sup> place in their division
- 2 special technique awards
- 4 scholarships
- A cash award for technique
- The ballet group “Enchanted Dolls” won a gold trophy, 1<sup>st</sup> place in the mini division and a special techniques award, *Delightful, Delicious & Delicate Ballerinas*
- The ballet production “La Polonaise” won a gold trophy, 1<sup>st</sup> place in the junior division and a special technique award, *Budding Ballerinas*
- The solo, “Impromptu”, won a gold trophy and 1<sup>st</sup> place in the junior division
- The solos “Eternal Vow” & “Sundial Dreams” both

won gold trophies

- The duet “Morning Prayer” won a gold trophy and 1<sup>st</sup> place in the pre-teen pointe division
- The lyrical duet “Don’t say you will” won a gold trophy and 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the pre-teen lyrical division
- The character production “Kolomyeka” won a gold trophy and 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the junior character division
- Mrs. Rosenthal won a cash award for excellence in technique and presentation of the 2 ballets “Enchanted Dolls” and “La Polonaise”.

Mrs. Rosenthal is very proud of every one of her students. She congratulates them all.



## Dancing for the Stars features Dr. Tracey Skale

Dr. Tracey Skale, Indian Hill resident and Chief Medical Director for Greater Cincinnati Behavioral Health Services (GCB), will compete in the 5th Annual Cincinnati Arts Association (CAA) Dancing for the Stars fundraising event at the Music Hall Ballroom on April 9th 2011.

The gala benefits CAA's Overture Awards and Academy, the nation's largest locally run high school arts scholarship competition. Dr. Skale will partner with professional dancer J. Patrick Clements of “Dare to Dance” studios, located in Blue Ash.

Inspired by the hit ABC-TV show, Dancing with the Stars, Dancing for the Stars will feature eight Cincinnati celebrities paired with some of the area's finest professional dancers in a competition program, at which the audience will vote for their favorite celebrity dancer. The competitive dance for the evening will be the Foxtrot, and each dance pair will have 90 seconds to woo the crowd and the judges.

The Overture Awards was developed to recognize, encourage and reward excellence in the arts among Tri-state students in grades 9-12. It also provides students an opportunity to share their talents and interests among their peers in a supportive environment outside of their individ-

ual schools. Now in its 15th year, The Overture Awards was launched in 1996 by the Cinergy Foundation and Leadership Cincinnati (a Greater Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce program).

Ticket and event information can be found at (513) 977-4104, Aronoff Center Ticket Office or at [www.CincinnatiArts.org](http://www.CincinnatiArts.org)

Greater Cincinnati Behavioral Health Services (GCB) is the most comprehensive mental health agency in Hamilton County serving adults with severe mental illness. GCB is fully certified, nationally accredited, and is a 501 (C) (3) nonprofit organization. We are recognized for the successful implementation of “Best Practice” programs and innovative services. Our mission is to assist persons with mental illness to lead productive and fulfilling lives. [www.gcbhs.com](http://www.gcbhs.com)

Dr. Skale and her professional dance partner, J. Patrick Clements



## BITS AND PIECES

### IMPORTANT CHANGES TO BITS & PIECES

- A \$15.00 fee will be charged for ads placed monthly for all non-residents
- All ads must be resubmitted each month to insure that the item or property is still for sale or rent
- **All ads will have a 30 word maximum**
- Each **JANUARY** all non-residents placing service ads must provide a **LOCAL** background check from their county of residence. (Background checks are no longer available through the Indian Hill Rangers)

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**Village of Indian Hill  
2011 Bulletin Schedule**

**Copy Deadline**

Friday – January 21, 2011  
Friday – February 18, 2011  
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Friday – April 22, 2011  
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Friday – June 17, 2011  
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Friday – October 21, 2011  
Friday – November 18, 2011  
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Friday – December 30, 2011

**SUBMITTING ARTICLES AND PICTURES**

All copy and pictures sent to the Village office to be included in the Bulletin should preferably be sent by email to [kzenni@ihill.org](mailto:kzenni@ihill.org). If it is not possible for you to email them, you can contact Kari at 979-6218. Subject in photographs should be identified and a return address included as all photographs are returned. No negatives accepted.

**A reminder that all ads (resident & non-resident) placed in the Bits & Pieces section must be submitted each month.** Copy deadline for each issue is at the top of this page. Non-residents are charged a \$15.00 fee EACH time they submit their ad. All ads will be approximately 30 words maximum. Non-residents may only place ads for rentals or property for sale if the advertised property is located in Indian Hill.

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**BULLETIN INSERTS**

The Village will no longer accept inserts for Bulletins being mailed. The Village will accept inserts to be available online only. The deadline for getting an insert in the online Bulletin is the same as the deadline for Bulletin articles. Inserts are only for Village associated organizations such as churches, scouts, schools, clubs, committees, Indian Hill Historical Society and Greenacres. They are not for personal or business advertising. Please send no more than one insert per publication. For more information, call Kari Zenni 979-6218 or email [kzenni@ihill.org](mailto:kzenni@ihill.org).

**JOHN RUTHVEN PAINTING  
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The Grand Valley property, purchased by the Village, inspired noted wildlife artist John Ruthvan to paint a picture entitled “The Great Blue Heron of Grand Valley.” Mr. Ruthvan donated the painting to the Village to help raise funds to support the Grand Valley preserve area through a print program. The original print is on display at the Village Administration office. The Village has purchased a limited edition of 200 signed and numbered prints that are being sold unframed for \$75.00 each available on a first come first serve basis. The prints can be purchased at the Village Administration office. Payment for the prints should be made by cash or check made payable to the Village of Indian Hill.

# IMAGES

...THEN AND NOW

*From the Indian Hill Historical Society*



**Buckingham Lodge**  
1861

## Indian Hill Roads Commemorate Early Pioneers



Matthias Kugler, an emigrant from Baden, Germany, having lost all his possessions during his westward journey, arrived in Camp Dennison hatless and bootless in 1797. He was employed by Christian Waldschmidt, who owned a saw mill, a grist mill, and two copper distilleries. He earned \$8 per month. Kugler married his boss' daughter, 17 year old Catherine Elizabeth the following year. When Waldschmidt died without leaving a will, Kugler took over some of his father-in-law's mills. Matthias and Catherine produced twelve children. Reputedly illiterate but savvy, Kugler expanded his business interests across the Little Miami River, where he built a new family home, the building once known as the Millcroft Inn. He died in 1854, aged 74, and is buried in the Waldschmidt Cemetery in Camp Dennison.



A descendent of a family from Devonshire, England, and purportedly related to Sir Francis Drake, William Drake II was born in Scotch Plains, NJ in 1757. He served in the militia during the Revolutionary War. After marriage to Anna Turill, the couple, along with other Drake relatives, traveled down the Ohio River on a flatboat to Losantiville (Cincinnati) about 1790. Within 10 years, they purchased a large tract of land at the north-eastern corner of current day Drake and Indian Hill Roads. The stone barn they built still stands. The Drakes had nine children, four daughters and five sons. Originally Drake Road was known as Upper Mill Road, because it led down the hill to a mill on the Little Miami River. When William Drake died, aged 71 in 1822, he was buried on his "home place", a common occurrence on yesteryear's farms.



Though he only had a common school education, Colonel Isaac Waring was a perpetual learner by self study. He was born in Columbia (settlement near current day Lunken Airport) in 1799, but later moved to a 38 acre farm at the corner of Miami and Brill Roads. A member of the Hamilton County Horticultural Society, he was a founder and the President of the Indian Hill Horticultural Society. Meetings of the latter group were often held in the Colonel's "wine house" where members discussed agriculture and sampled local wines. Waring studied philosophy, chemistry, and agriculture. He was known to be a stimulating companion due to his wide knowledge of many subjects, and his sense of humor. He had a trick wine glass, with wine sealed inside, which he served to guests on their first visit to the "wine house", providing a laugh to all others present. Waring, a lifelong bachelor, acquired a printing press at age 69 and published his own works, including the 300 page volume *Miscellaneous Poems*, published in 1878, which documented aspects of village life in the 19<sup>th</sup> century.

# INDIAN HILL HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## Ilyinsky Family History— From Tsarist Russia to Indian Hill

On February 13, members and guests of the Indian Hill Historical Society were treated to a fascinating program featuring Michael Ilyinsky, spokesperson for the Iyinsky family. The popularity of the subject was evidenced by the need to move the program from the traditional surroundings of the Little Red Schoolhouse to Livingston Lodge, a larger venue to accommodate the record number of guests.



Michael told the story of his grandfather, HIH Grand Duke Dmitri of the Imperial House of Romanov, grandson of Tsar Alenxader II and first cousin of Tsar Nicholas II. At the time of the Russian Revolution, Grand Duke Dmitri was living in exile in Persia for his alleged complicity in the death of the mystic peasant faith healer Grigori Rasputin, the Tsarina's religious confidant.

This exile may have saved him from being executed by the Bolsheviks with the rest of the royal family, including his father .

Grand Duke Dmitri took the surname of Ilyinsky, derived from the name of a family estate, Ilyinskoe, near Moscow. While living in Europe, he met heiress Audrey Emery, the sister of prominent Cincinnati businessman, John J. Emery, Sr. whose home is known in Indian Hill Village as Peterloon .

The couple married in 1927 and had one son, HSH Prince Paul Romanoff-Ilyinsky who was born in 1928 in London.

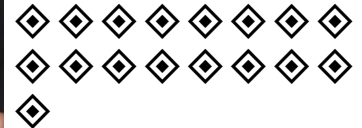


**Dmitri, young Paul Ilyinsky and Audrey**

Paul Ilyinsky married Angelica Kauffmann of Palm Beach and moved to Cincinnati, where Paul served on the board of his mother's family business, Emery Industries. He was also an author and professional photographer. The Ilyinskys lived in Indian Hill where they raised four children, Dmitri, Paula Comisar, Anne Glossinger, and Michael.



Paul Ilyinsky became the first Romanov to hold an elected office when he was elected to three terms as Mayor of Palm Beach, Florida. He died in 2004.



## March 20th Program: C. Wesley Cowan

The Historical Society is pleased to announce that its next program will feature Wes Cowan, founder and owner of Cowan's Auctions, Inc. in Cincinnati, Ohio. An internationally recognized expert in Historic Americana, Wes stars in the PBS television series **History Detectives** and is a featured appraiser on **Antiques Roadshow**. He writes an antiques column for the **Cincinnati Enquirer** and is a frequently requested speaker at antiques events around the country. Wes is licensed as an auctioneer in Ohio and holds a BA and MA in anthropology from the University of Kentucky, and a PhD in anthropology from the University of Michigan.



The **Wes Cowan Program** will be held on Sunday, March 20 at 12:30 pm. Seating will be limited, so please make an early reservation by contacting the Historical Society. Tel: 891-1873 or Email: [ihhist@cinci.rr.com](mailto:ihhist@cinci.rr.com).

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