

# THE ORCHARD

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## **FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Is winter finally behind us? Well, Punxsutawney Phil predicted an early spring and I believe that we will have just that.

I have served as president of Orchard Hills Community Association for the past two years. It has been a great experience. I would like to thank all of the board members that have helped with all of our wonderful activities these past two years.

March 22 is our annual General Meeting where a new president will take over. Baltimore County Councilman Todd Huff will speak at this meeting. I hope to see many Orchard Hills neighbors at the meeting. Look for the flyer for more details.

Please also see the flyer for the March Food Drive. We will be collecting food for the Assistance Center of Towson Churches food pantry. The food drive takes place March 12 - 19.

April will bring our annual Easter Egg Hunt at the park. Watch for that flyer next month.

Pam Burke  
President Orchard Hills Community Association

## **COMMUNITY NEWS**

Please let us know of births, deaths, weddings, graduations, etc. for your family or your neighbors.

**Congratulations** to Joseph Conrad and Brigid McCulley on their October marriage.

## **Annual Community Meeting**

The annual meeting of the Orchard Hills Community Association will be held on Tuesday, March 22, 2011. Officers for the coming year will be elected.

## **Holiday House Decoration Winners**

The following homes were selected as winners in the Holiday House Decoration judging:

Burleigh Dr.: #1301

Cavan Dr.: #12, 16 and 34

Dublin Dr.: #16, 25, and 106

Hedgewood Rd.: #115

Othoridge Rd.: #139

Warwick Dr.: #107, 115, 124, 149 and 1322

Westbury Rd.: #13 and 138

Congratulations to all the winners.

## **Community Sign**

The Orchard Hills community sign at the Westbury Circle is in need of some TLC. If there is anyone in the community who has the expertise and would be willing to make repairs, please contact Pam Burke at 410-321-5636.

## **In Need of Yarn**

I am a volunteer knitter, volunteering for Ronald McDonald House making newborn, baby and children's hats. In need of donation of yarn (any color, no wool). Can be dropped off at 1306 Warwick Dr. Thank you, Sigrid Szoke.

## **Thanks, Neighbor!**

If you know of a community resident who has been especially neighborly, let us know so we can acknowledge it in future newsletters.

## **Karen's Coat Closet**

We are a large community and a giving one I know.

Karen's Coat Closet is in great need of gently worn children's coats. To date, I have donated over 100 coats in two months. I am so grateful to all in the community have donated but am asking you to please keep me in mind when cleaning out your closets.

Did you know there are many children in our area schools who don't have winter coats to wear? Many children get off the bus in the morning with no coat. I have given many coats to these schools but there is still a great need. Recently, I received calls from 7 school in just one day.

All I ask is to just think about Karen's Coat Closet the next time you hear someone say they are passing on coats. There is always someone who needs them who does not have as much as we do. The donation bin is in front of our house (36 Othoridge Rd.) with a new sign.

Thank you so much,  
Karen Marcellino 443-271-3942

## **AREA EVENTS**

### **Maryland Fire Museum Happenings**

#### **34th Annual Steam Show**

Come cool off at the hottest place in town! On Saturday, May 7th, 2011 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., the Fire Museum of Maryland will host its 34rd Annual Steam Show. The Show features Dalmatians and draft horses, demonstrations of late-1800s horse-drawn fire engines, and rides in an 1899 hose wagon.

Join us for a day full of fun as 65-foot water towers shoot water up to 600 feet! The Steam Show will feature steam engine demonstrations, horse drawn fire equipment and carriages as well as contests for the kids. A 1989 water tower will flow water, and antique engines and vehicles will fill the parking lot. Children and adults can run under the cascades of water, learn about the

history of the fire service and see how fire engines operated in the late 1800s. Come inside the Museum and see 40 antique fire engines, walk through the new 1871 Fire House Exhibit and hear the Baltimore City Alarm Office tap out fire emergency calls.

The Ahrens-Fox Day Experience the beauty and mechanical genius of the Ahrens-Fox, the "Rolls-Royce of Fire Engines!" See these magnificent antique fire engines during the Ahrens-Fox Day at the Fire Museum of Maryland, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011, 10am- 3pm. Join in the celebration of its innovative design, making it one of fire fighting's most unique engines.

The display of up to 30 engines is provided by collectors from all over the country and will take place from 10-3 pm with a parade through Towson and Lutherville at 12 pm. The Fire Museum of Maryland will be open to the public, 10 - 4 pm and food vendors will be on site. Admission is \$12 for adults, \$10 for firefighters and seniors, \$5 for children ages 2 to 18, and children 2 and under are free. Tickets are available for advance purchase only.

The Ahrens-Fox Company has a long tradition in manufacturing quality fire fighting apparatuses, particularly the Ahrens-Fox engine with its distinctive, front-mounted piston pump. Both earned a reputation for efficiency and durability.

For more information, please visit [www.firemuseummd.org](http://www.firemuseummd.org) or contact Rob Williams at [rcwilliams@firemuseummd.org](mailto:rcwilliams@firemuseummd.org). Rob can be reached at 410-321-7500, Tuesday through Friday.

### **Sunday at Central Concert Series**

The Central Presbyterian Church at 7308 York Road, Towson has announced the schedule for its Sunday Concert series through May 2011. For information, call 410-823-6145

## **MARKETPLACE**

**BAGPIPER** Anyone who needs a bagpiper for a wedding, funeral or other special occasion, call Chris Spagnolo at 410-339-5737.

### **BATHTUB AND TILE REGLAZING**

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**CHILD CARE** Looking for childcare in the neighborhood? Considering a home environment? Think Little Angels Pre-school & Daycare! Every day a fun day where children learn colors, shapes, alphabet, counting, songs and much more through play. Lots of activities daily: sand play, arts and crafts, science. Fenced-in back yard for outdoor activities. In the supervision of experienced pre-school teacher. 132 Dublin Drive. Call 410-337-4945 or 443-710-1467.

### **DIVERSIFIED INSURANCE INDUSTRIES, INC**

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**DOG WALKING** Kat for hire! She'll walk your dog(s) around for an agreed time and a reasonable price. Call 410-825-7727 and ask for Kat Budrecki.

### **GIFTS ERRANDS EXPRESS**

Do you need help with errands, grocery shopping, a ride to the doctor or airport? Call and let us do these pesky chores for you. We offer you personal services that can save you time, energy and take the guesswork out of gift giving for any special occasion while also taking care of those pesky errands that everyone hates to do. Our service include: returning videos and library books, grocery shopping, picking up the kids from school and much more. Call Ann Siegmund 410-321-0725.

### **HANDYMAN**

Lawn cutting and small household jobs. Reliable and reasonable. Call Don Campbell, 410-821-0896.

**HOUSE PAINTING** internal/external. Free estimates. Call Jim McNaughton 410-823-0096.

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### **PHOTOGRAPHER**

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### **POWER WASHING**

Need a power washer? Decks, sidewalks, whatever needs cleaning. Call Chris Spagnolo, 443-824-3590 or 410-339-5737. Free Estimate

### **PRE-PAID LEGAL**

Pre-Paid Legal provides your entire family with affordable legal access to protect your rights in any situation ... including **Identity Theft**. "You have a right to know your rights". Contact Vandenberg and Associates, 115 Warwick Drive, 410-828-6155 or e-mail [rvande@comcast.net](mailto:rvande@comcast.net) .

## **REAL ESTATE**

Pat Kimmett, Long and Foster Realtors, 410-453-0500 (W) or 410-825-9216.

## **SENIOR CAREGIVER / COMPANION**

Maintain your loved one's lifestyle. Church visits, grocery store, Dr. visits etc. I am conscientious, reliable and honest. All seniors deserve dignity, respect and patience. Have valid drivers license. Exc. refs. Contact Pam at 410-321-1389.

## **TREE SERVICE OWNER IN YOUR OWN NEIGHBORHOOD!!!!**

Is your yard feeling the winter blues? Call American Tree Service for any dead limbs and yard clean-up. Please call your neighborhood tree man, Stephan Szoke at 410-825-7575 or visit our website at [www.mdtreeservice.com](http://www.mdtreeservice.com).

We would like to thank our neighbors for all their support in these difficult economic times.

## **WEB DESIGN, ETC**

I can design your web site, host your web site, take over management of your existing site, and more - contact Nils Lehneis at 410-409-6448 (cell), e-mail at [webmaster@nalweb.net](mailto:webmaster@nalweb.net), or see <http://nalweb.net>

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