

BLENDON WOODS

CIVIC ASSOCIATION

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Help keep our neighborhood beautiful

Spring is in full bloom, which means it's a great time to review how to be a courteous neighbor, and take care of your yard. Please make sure to mow your grass (including any grass that may be on the other side of a fence on your property).

Code Enforcement considers grass to be high when it exceeds 12 inches in height. At that point, Code Enforcement will issue a Violation Notice.

Also, please do your best to control obnoxious weeds, which are those plants that can, if not removed, cause an unhealthy or unsafe condition.

A good example of a noxious weed is poison ivy. For a list of what the City of Columbus considers to be noxious weeds, go to the Ohio Revised Code by visiting codes.ohio.gov/oac/901:5-37.

How to address a problem

If you notice a neighbor is not taking care of their property, the first step should be to talk to them, and suggest they do their part to help maintain the quality of our neighborhood.

You might ask them if they need help. Several neighbors hire lawn companies to mow. You may have a child that could earn extra money, by offering services. Posting to our Nextdoor site is a great way to find someone who could be hired to mow.

Reaching out to the city

If the problem cannot be solved neighbor-to-neighbor, you can report problems by going on-line to the Mayor's Hotline or calling 311 on a land line or if using a cell phone call: 645-3111.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

It's easy and fun
to get involved

July 4th Day parade

Each year we host a parade for the kids on July 4th. It typically runs down Wolf Run and Boulder Dam, toward Broadview and ends at a neighbor's house. Please contact us to help plan this fun event!

National Night Out

This event encourages neighbors to turn on their lights and get to know each other through fun activities. We'd love to have a event to celebrate on Tuesday, August 5. If you're interested in helping us plan, please contact us!

**Spring
Cleaning
Neighborhood
Garage Sale
Saturday,
June 13**

Plan to participate?

Email **Stacie** at slrjdavis@gmail.com
and **Danielle** at maggiejudesmom@gmail.com

Interested in getting involved with BWCA activities? Contact...

» **Diane Omlor**, President, at
omlordiane@att.net

» **Susan Nichols**, Secretary, at
nichols26family@gmail.com

» **Alison Colvin**, Newsletter Editor, at
alison.m.colvin@gmail.com

June is Adopt-A-Shelter-Cat Month

With kitten season upon us, there are more cats in need than ever.

Donate to your local shelter or rescue group or to the Petfinder.com Foundation in honor of Adopt-a-Shelter-Cat Month.

Contact your local shelter or rescue group (you can search for groups near you here) and ask if they have a donation wish list or other flyer they'd like to you to post around your office or neighborhood. They may be holding special events for Adopt-a-Shelter-Cat Month which you can help promote.

Upcoming events

7th Annual Field of Heroes MAY 22-25, 2015

Hosted by the Westerville Sunrise Rotary Club across from the Westerville Community Center on Cleveland Ave.

This is a unique opportunity for our community members to honor their personal heroes - whoever they are... a family member; a friend; a veteran; a member of the armed services; a favorite teacher; a police officer; a firefighter or any other person who has made an impact on their life.

The Field of Heroes is a spectacular visual display of 3,000 American flags. The field is set up so that visitors can walk among the flags, reading dedications and reflecting upon their personal heroes.

More info at www.fieldofheroes.org

Creekside Blues & Jazz Festival

JUNE 19-21, 2015

Presented by the Gahanna Convention & Visitors Bureau, offering the "Best Blues & Jazz in Ohio."

Gahanna Ohio's annual signature festival will celebrate 17 years of outstanding blues and jazz music!

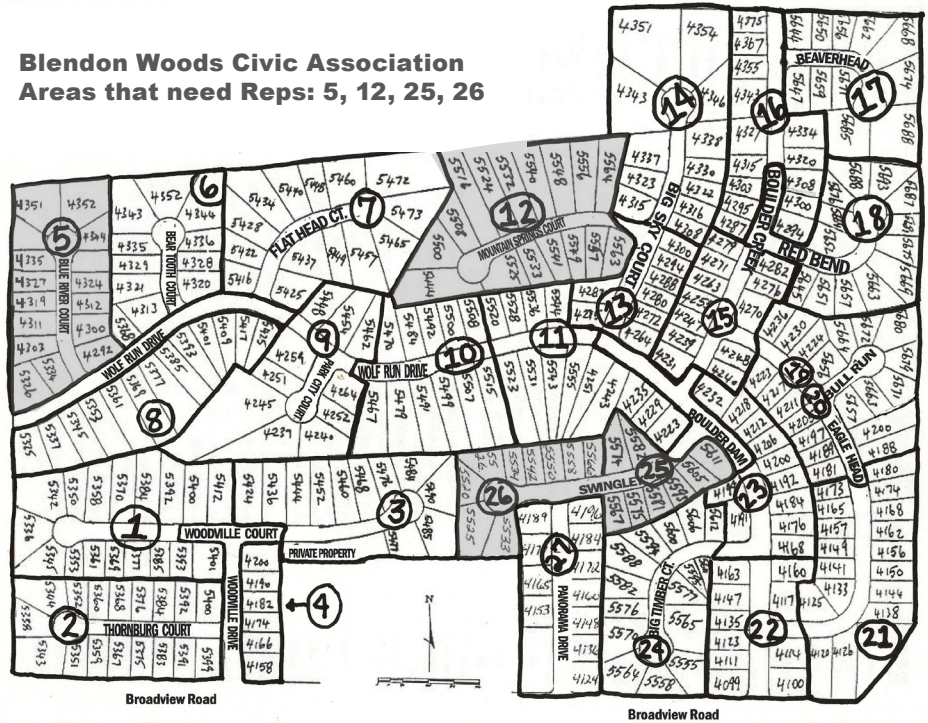
The 3-day cultural celebration features live entertainment on 5 stages, mouth-watering cuisine, regional artisans, amusement rides, family fun and activities.

Cat & Dog Adoption Event

JUNE 27, 2015 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Captivating Canines, 12 E. Main St. CHA Shelter will have cats and dogs available for adoption. 614-882-8863 or www.CHAAAnimalShelter.org.

Blendon Woods Civic Association Areas that need Reps: 5, 12, 25, 26



AREA REPRESENTATIVES

Get to know your neighbors

Our neighborhoods needs Area Reps:

- Blue River Court Area #5
- Swingley Area #25 & #26
- Mountain Springs Court Area #12

What do Area Reps do?

1. Deliver the newsletters 4 times a year
2. Get to know your neighbors
3. Collect dues in your area during the BWCA membership drive
4. Attend General meetings (usually quarterly) or send a neighbor to represent you.

Want to help?

Send an email to Susan Nichols:
nichols26family@gmail.com
or call 614-476-5640 and leave a message.

All of our Area Representatives have done wonderful at helping keep the BWCA together; thank you all for your time!

NORTHLAND COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Curb replacement reimbursements available

During the May Northland Community Council meeting, a program was discussed that provides reimbursement for curb replacement for residents of the city of Columbus, up to \$32/linear ft. of curb.

It's unknown how long the money will be available for this program, so residents are encouraged to utilize the program as soon as possible.

How It Works

1. Contact Brad Whitt, who will tell a homeowner how the program works
2. Brad will provide list of approved cement contractors to use
3. Submit for reimbursement

More information

Contact Brad Whitt at 614-645-7497 or Bwhitt@columbus.gov

Each month our neighborhood sends Alison Colvin to the Northland Community Council meetings. It's important for the Blendon Woods Civic Association to be represented, because it gives us a voice when issues come up. Email alison.m.colvin@gmail.com if you're interested in becoming an alternate rep for BWCA at the NCC monthly meetings.

NEARBY DEVELOPMENT

Zoning change could affect blue heron nests

Columbus Development Commission has recommended approval of a zoning change for 5074 E. Dublin-Granville Road, which includes land near more than 50 great blue heron nests.

Columbus City Council, which will make the final decision, will not hear the case for several more months.

The project includes more than 181 acres north and south of Route 161 at Hamilton Road. The zoning changes would

flip commercial zoning from north to south of Route 161 and residential zoning from the south to the north of Route 161.

DNC Hamilton Crossing LLC is requesting the change to build 48 apartment buildings with 792 units on 58.6 acres north of Route 161 on the east and west sides of Hamilton Road.

The land on the northwest side of Hamilton Road and Route 161 is where the blue heron rookeries are located.

Upcoming collections

* Indicates day of the week change

Tues.	May 19	Trash
Wed.	May 27	Trash
Sat.	May 30	Recycling & Yard Waste
Wed.	June 3	Trash
Wed.	June 10	Trash
Fri.	June 12	Recycling & Yard Waste
Wed.	June 17	Trash
Wed.	June 24	Trash
Fri.	June 26	Recycling & Yard Waste
Wed.	July 1	Trash
Thurs.	July 9	Trash
Fri.	July 10	Recycling & Yard Waste
Thurs.	July 16	Trash
Thurs.	July 23	Trash
Fri.	July 24	Recycling & Yard Waste
Thurs.	July 30	Trash
Thurs.	Aug. 6	Trash
Fri.	Aug. 7	Recycling & Yard Waste
Thurs.	Aug. 13	Trash
Thurs.	Aug. 20	Trash
Fri.	Aug. 21	Recycling & Yard Waste
Thurs.	Aug. 27	Trash
Thurs.	Sept. 3	Trash
Fri.	Sept. 4	Recycling & Yard Waste
Fri.	Sept. 11	Trash
Fri.	Sept. 18	Trash, Recycling & Yard Waste
Fri.	Sept. 25	Trash
Fri.	Oct. 2	Trash, Recycling & Yard Waste
Fri.	Oct. 9	Trash
Sat.	Oct. 17	Recycling & Yard Waste

CITY CODE WASTE REQUIREMENTS

» **REGULAR TRASH:**
Use plastic garbage bags.

» **YARD WASTE:**
Use biodegradable paper bags or rigid containers marked "yard waste". Container must be less than 32 gallons and weigh less than 50 lbs.

» Tied bundles of tree branches can be no larger than 4 feet long and 2 feet wide.

» Trash on the ground around a refuse container must be picked up by the property owner and/or the occupants of the property.

CHECK YOUR DAY

» We are Gray. Enter your address on this website: 311.columbus.gov/colorday.

Steps to a more beautiful Blendon Woods area

Put out containers at pick-up times, hide away when not time to collect.



2 Pick up after your pets.



3 Avoid parking in the streets or blocking sidewalks.



WHERE TO FIND INFORMATION ABOUT BWCA

facebook

Blendon Woods Civic Association Facebook Group

» [facebook.com/groups](https://www.facebook.com/groups/blendonwoods)
Search "Blendon Woods Civic Association"

Nextdoor

Nextdoor Blendon Woods website

» blendonwoodsestates.nextdoor.com



Neighborhood Link website

» neighborhoodlink.com/Blendon_Woods

QUESTIONS? COMMENTS? LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Send all constructive criticism and compliments by email your new newsletter editor:

Alison Colvin 5417 Wolf Run Dr.
or by email:
alison.m.colvin@gmail.com

Please include **BWCA** in your message's subject line.

BLENDON WOODS COMMUNITY PICNIC

You're invited!

Sunday, June 28th 5:00-9:00 p.m.

Blendon Woods Metro Park - Sycamore Shelter

Meat will be provided. Please bring side dish or dessert to share.

**Let's get together and
get to know each other!**

The Blendon Woods Civic Association's Community Picnic will be 5:00-9:00 p.m. on Sunday, June 28 at the Blendon Woods Metro Park Sycamore Shelter. This shelter is well-covered, so the picnic will take place rain or shine! It also has electricity and running water.

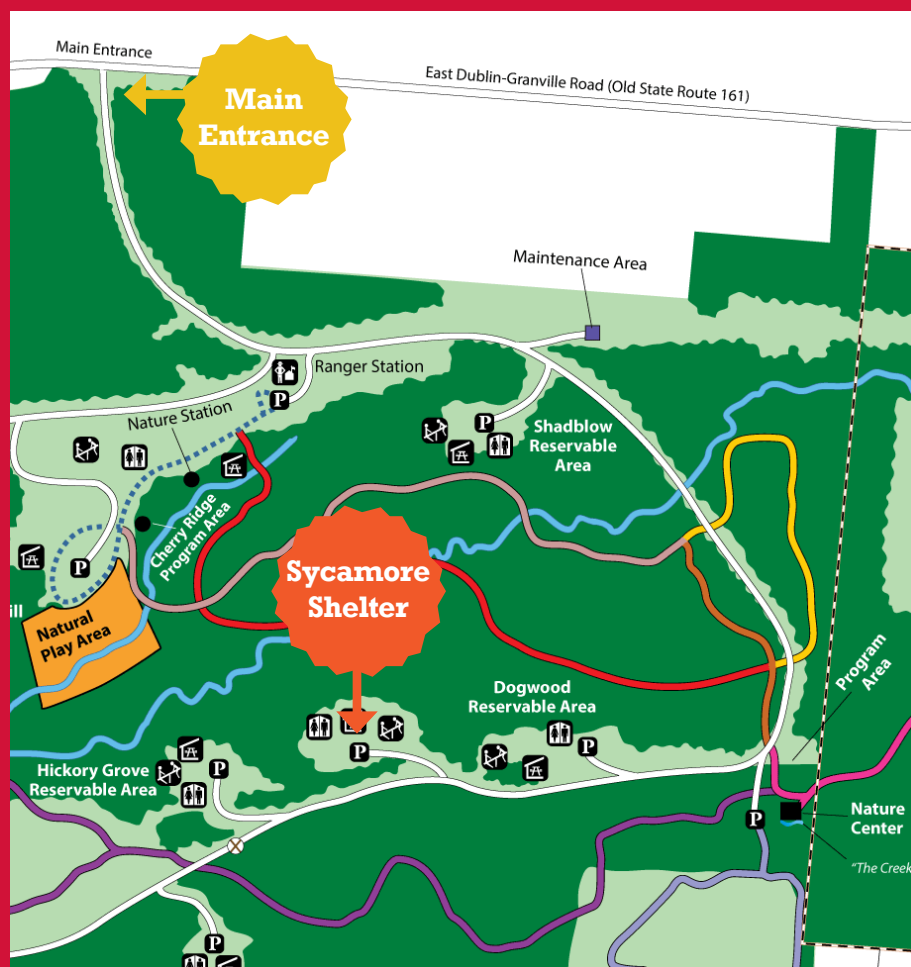
Please bring your favorite outdoor game to share with your neighbors.

Game ideas:

- Frisbee
- bocce ball
- volleyball
- ladder ball
- corn hole
- board games
- any fun outdoor game!

There is a ball field and playground equipment nearby.

Check our Facebook Group, Nextdoor and Neighborhood Link sites for more information.



RSVP by text/voicemail to Alison Colvin 614.454.1047 with...

⇒ **Name** ⇒ **Number attending** ⇒ **Do you plan to bring dessert or side?**

*If you've already RSVP'ed, please confirm with Alison what you're planning to bring.